

Recommended Course List for Students Still in High School

The following is a list of recommended courses for students who are just beginning their experience taking college classes, particularly, students who have not yet decided on a degree or certificate path. All of these courses have been chosen to help a student earn credit that will benefit them in their degree path! *When taking college classes, students are encouraged to obtain confirmation in writing from high school counselors to ensure that classes will count toward high school graduation requirements.*

Suggested First Term Courses for Undecided Students

EFA-101C Introduction to the Creative Arts Communication and Humanities (2 credits)

Elective course

Pre-Requisites: None

Offered Fall

This course engages students in the creative process of making meaning within the creative arts, communications, and humanities, and invites them to view themselves, others, and the world through story, while discovery academic and career possibilities.

EFA-101J Introduction to the Social Sciences, Human Services and Criminal Justice (2 credits)

Elective course

Pre-Requisites: None

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring

Introduces career options and educational pathways in the fields of the Social Sciences, Human Services, and Criminal Justice. Explores the history of and current methods and issues in these three areas of learning and service. Students will gain an understanding of academic and career options and get a taste of what further study will look like in each of these three areas and how they relate to one another.

EFA-101S Introduction to STEM (2 credits)

Elective course

Pre-Requisites: None

Offered Fall

This course will feature activities, demonstrations, and real world experiences in STEM fields, including environmental science, biology, chemistry, geology, physics, engineering, computer science, and mathematics. Students will gain an understanding of academic and career options and get a taste of what further study will look like in each STEM discipline.

FYE-101 First Year Experience Level 1 (2 credits)

Elective for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Business, ASOT Computer Science

Pre-Requisites: None

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring

This is the first course in a 3-course sequence designed to help students adjust to a new campus, connect with other students, understand college expectations and systems, and access services available through the college. The First Year Experience Level 1 course is designed to help students in developing relationships with students and faculty, and to build student behaviors for successfully completing classes and continuing college through to completion.

Transfer Courses

ANT-103 Cultural Anthropology (4 credits)

Social Science course to fulfill requirement for AAOT, AGS, and most AS degrees

Recommended Pre-Requisites: WRD-098 or placement into WR-121

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring

Introduces the diversity of contemporary human culture and the ways anthropologists study and compare them in an effort to understand how different societies organize their lives and make sense of the world around them. Explores the interrelationships among the various elements of culture.

BA-101 Introduction to Business (4 credits)

Elective for AAOT and AGS, required for ASOT Business, and required for several Business AAS/CC degrees

Recommended Pre-Requisite: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring

Introduces the American business system in a changing global environment. Disciplines covered include economics, entrepreneurship, formation, accounting, finance, marketing, and management.

COMM-111 Public Speaking (4 credits)

Required for AAOT, AGS, most AS degrees

Pre-requisite: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121

Practice in organization, research and delivery of a variety of speeches.

HE-250 Personal Health (3 credits)

Health course to fulfill requirement for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Computer Science

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer

This course is designed to help students gain an overall understanding of information basic to the field of health, to help them critically evaluate health information, and to promote positive attitudes, values, and behaviors in regard to personal health.

SOC-204 Introduction to Sociology (4 credits)

Social Science course to fulfill requirements for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Computer Science, ASOT Business, and most AS degrees

Recommended Pre-Requisite: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer

This course offers an introduction to the field of sociology. Sociology is the scientific study of human behavior in society. In this course we will introduce and discuss issues including the sociological imagination, culture, socialization, deviance, authority, religion, science and methods of sociological research. Various sociological theories will be introduced and utilized to explore and enhance our understanding of these issues.

WR-121 English Composition

Writing course to fulfill requirements for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Computer Science, ASOT Business, and AS degrees

Pre-requisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121

Offered Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer

Introduces the academic essay. Students learn to use a writing process, from brainstorming to polishing, as they develop original response to challenging articles and academic essays. The class emphasizes information literacy: how to find and evaluate source material, as well as integrate and cite it.

Career and Technical Education Courses

CJA-110 Intro to Law Enforcement (3 credits)

Elective for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Business and ASOT Computer Science. Required for the AAS Criminal Justice and AAS Criminal Justice: Corrections

Pre-Requisites: None

Offered Fall

Explores theories, philosophies, and concepts of American law enforcement. This course also examines the history of law enforcement, specific components of the system, public safety responses, and the professionals charged with peace keeping.

CLA-100 Introduction to Health Care (2 credits)

Elective for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Business and ASOT Computer Science

Required for Basic Health Sciences Career Pathway Certificate, pre-requisite course for Medical Assistant Certificate and Clinical Lab Assistant Certificate

Pre-Requisites: None

Offered Fall

An overview and introduction to healthcare systems and career trends, ethical and legal responsibilities, personal and workplace safety, blood-borne pathogens, professionalism, life-long learning, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and effective communication.

CS-140 Intro to Operating Systems (4 credits)

Elective for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Business and ASOT Computer Science

Required for Computer & Network Admin Certificate/AAS and Computer Application Specialist Certificate

Pre-requisites: CS-120 or equivalent placement, MTH-060 or placement in MTH-065, and WRD-098 or placement in WR-121

Offered Fall/Spring

Introduction to the theory and practical founds of the Windows, Linux/UNIX, and MacOS desktop operating systems. Discussion of and practice with OS administration through installation, configuration, networking, security, and virtualization.

DMC-100 Introduction to Media Arts (3 credits)

Elective for AAOT, AGS, ASOT Business and ASOT Computer Science

Required for the Digital Media Communications AAS, Entry Level Journalist Career Pathway Certificate, and Video Production Technician Career Pathway Certificate

Pre-requisites: None

Offered Fall

Presents an overview of career opportunities in the media industry. Introduces basic principles common to success in the media industry, common media industry entrance strategies, health and safety best practices and the history of the industry from film to online media. In addition, this course will cover basic theories behind what shape and drives the media industry.

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