

FALL 2009 LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Culture and Other Complexities of Diversity

Study the complexities of diversity and how people with diverse backgrounds come together to form and function in communities. Develop a broad understanding of interrelated issues that influence our ability to live and work together in harmony. Challenges associated with educating citizens for living in a global society are featured. Coursework is ideal for students who plan to pursue careers in education or human services. Students will develop critical thinking and writing skills and a broad understanding of world issues. Involves intensive, hands-on service-learning in settings outside the classroom.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
ANT 102	Study of Culture
EDC 300	Diversity in Educational Settings
HIS 305	Social Thought of African-Americans



global cultures

Entrepreneurial Business and the Global Marketplace

An excellent introduction to the study of business and the challenges and rewards of careers in this field. Develop fundamental skills in critical thinking, writing and quantitative analysis as preparation for majors in business or computer and information science. Coursework is challenging, involving service-learning opportunities and a range of activities to help students pursue careers in entrepreneurial business and the global marketplace.

BUS 101	Introduction to University Life
BUS 151	World of Business
ENG 101	College Writing I
MTH 151	Mathematical Concepts 1a
MTH 152	Mathematical Concepts 1b
MTH 153	Mathematical Concepts 1c



Experiences in Global Cultures and Class

Students in the CSU Scholars Program are eligible to enroll in this Community that offers preparation for many majors. Examine various facets of global cultures with an emphasis on Latin American History and the Third World. Coursework provides a broad understanding of the diversity of global cultures, dynamics and characteristics they all share. Students will develop a range of skills and operate as a learning community within larger classes.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
HIS 165	Introduction to Latin American History
SOC 210	Introduction to Sociology of the Third World

Global Leaders in Community Service: a Living Learning Community

Ideal for students who desire an intensive and dynamic learning experience geared toward civic engagement and community service. Develop leadership skills and grow personally and intellectually in a supportive living environment. Students will live together on one floor of Fenn Tower Residence Hall for two semesters and will organize and manage themselves and their assigned resources as a community. Students enroll in two courses as a cohort and may select additional courses that reflect their interests and major.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
SWK 493	Community Leadership

Images, Realities and Constructions of Society

Separate fact from fiction in society by examining images and social constructions depicted in film. Gain a deeper understanding of how images shape our attitudes and realities with a particular focus on urban Black America. Consider how city planning, politics and other forces contribute to images and portrayals in film and in life. Especially designed for students who wish to strengthen critical thinking, writing and quantitative skills before declaring a major or placement in required Math or English courses.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
ENG 090	Introductory Writing
MTH 087	Basic Math and Algebra for Liberal Arts Majors
UST 251	The African-American Image on Film

Phenomenal Physics

Ideal for students interested in natural sciences and careers in health sciences. Challenging coursework will help students gain deeper understanding of underlying physics and its interaction with society. Technology is used in a highly interactive format. An excellent opportunity to explore a variety of disciplines concerned with functional health of the individual while considering health career options.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
ENG 101	College Writing I
PHY 115	Energy and Society
PHY 116	Energy and Society Laboratory
<i>Optional:</i>	
HSC 200	Introduction to Health Sciences



virtues, voices, and vibes

Science and Soul

Add a little soul to the study of science, exploring roots and compositions along the way. Survey the roots and development of rhythm and blues, rock and roll and the various social causes and interplay between music, culture and science. Develop critical thinking, writing and other fundamental skills as preparation for taking CHM 261 and other required courses for science majors.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
CHM 161	Preparatory Chemistry
ENG 101	College Writing I
MUS 161	Roots of Rock and Soul

Virtues, Voices and Vibes in the Spoken Word

Focus on the spoken word movement and hip-hop culture, performing arts, poetry, singing and acting. A unique opportunity to develop critical thinking and writing skills using this contemporary literary performance style.

Learn to share your ideas and social commentary in this provocative youth culture. Students will study with visiting artists, compete in spoken word events and attend performances at Cleveland's Playhouse Square.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
DRA 225	Principles of Acting for Television, Film, and the Stage
ENG 303	Creative Writing
MUS 263	Black Music of Two Worlds

Women in Society: Gender Still Matters

Take a progressive and penetrating look at changing gender roles in society. Students will examine these changes in the context of traditional theories of personality and emerging concepts.

Explore societal views of women, identity, roles, family structures, workplace dynamics, politics, health and equity in modern society. Course work is challenging and provocative, designed to heighten awareness and help students develop critical thinking, writing and quantitative skills.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
ENG 101	College Writing I
MTH 087	Basic Math and Algebra for Liberal Arts
PSY 255	Psychology of Women



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Weekend Learning Community

Enter or re-enter the college scene with maximum flexibility and support! This Community works best for the highly motivated adult learner who is comfortable using a computer. Courses are hybrid format, requiring students to complete assignments online with only three face-to-face sessions per class. Most sessions are at CSU's East Center in Solon on Saturdays. Course work provides a solid foundation to strengthen writing and critical thinking skills. Emphasis is on clarifying academic goals and career options while learning from prior life experiences.

ASC 101	Introduction to University Life
ENG 090	Introductory Writing
UST 190	Analysis of Experiential Learning



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