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General Syllabus

SAS 0201 Bridge to Success Seminar

Credit Hours: 1 Lecture Hours: 1

Prerequisite: Consent of department head

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Bridge to Success reinforces study strategies and student choices resulting in responsible learners actively engaged in their academic and personal lives. Students who successfully complete this course will have an implementation plan and skills that will lead to success in college and life decisions. Topics include self-assessment, personal responsibility, self- motivation, self-management, interdependence, and learning strategies.

B. Additional Information

Bridge to Success Seminar is required for those academically suspended students who choose to stay enrolled for the semester rather than sitting out for one semester. Attendance is mandatory. Failure to attend the Bridge to Success Seminar will result in immediate suspension.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Analyze previous personal choices compared to successful student choices.
- 2. Set academic goals and develop a realistic plan for achieving them.
- 3. Develop study strategies to effectively manage their time.
- 4. Identify attitudes and motives that lead to academic success or failure.
- 5. Form supportive relationships to achieve their academic goals.
- 6. Examine their strengths and weaknesses and develop a plan for eliminating self-defeating behaviors.
- 7. Analyze and solve problems using critical thinking skills.
- 8. Utilize technology to improve learning.

9. Demonstrate the ability to use resources, such as the ASC, tutoring, Career Center, Advising and Financial Aid.

B. University Outcomes

Bridge to Success Seminar introduces successful student skills in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking

Students will assess a situation, form conclusions and possible solutions, and provide reasons that the solutions are viable.

Communication Skills

Students will participate in-group discussions throughout the semester.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. Personal responsibility for choices.
- B. Self-assessment.
- C. Self-motivation.
- D. Self-management using effective study strategies.
- E. Interdependence that leads to success.
- F. Academic tools and technology.
- G. Next steps to academically staying on course.