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General Syllabus

SAS 0203 On Course For Success

Credit Hours: 3 Lecture

Hours: 3 Prerequisite: None

Corequisite: ENGL 0263 Transition to College Writing and Reading, and MATH 0233

Beginning Algebra OR MATH 0304 Beginning and Intermediate Algebra.

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Students who successfully complete this course will develop the skills necessary for success in college and in life.

B. Additional Information

On Course for Success is required for those students who place into developmental classes in all three subject areas – Reading, Writing, and Mathematics.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

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

- 1. Differentiate between internal and external factors that govern their choices.
- 2. Set personally meaningful short- and long-term goals and develop a realistic plan for achieving them.
- 3. Develop a plan for effectively managing their time.
- 4. Work effectively with others to complete tasks.
- 5. Explain how personal behaviors, beliefs, and attitudes affect their ability to succeed.
- 6. Examine their own strengths and weaknesses and develop a plan for improving upon their weaknesses.
- 7. Employ critical thinking skills to solve problems.

- 8. Use effective study strategies.
- 9. Use technology as an aid to learning.
- 10. Utilize campus resources.

B. University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking

Students will analyze problems based on case studies and personal experience and reach logical and possible solutions.

Communication Skills

Students will participate in small group and class discussions concerning various issues. Students will complete a variety of formal and informal writing assignments.

Ethical Decision Making

Students will discuss various case studies based on ethical questions. Students will examine their own values and beliefs.

III. Major Course Topics

- A. Accepting greater personal responsibility
- B. Discovering self-motivation
- C. Mastering effective self-management strategies
- D. Developing mutually supportive relationships
- E. Changing self-defeating habit patterns and limiting beliefs
- F. Becoming a lifelong learner
- G. Developing emotional intelligence
- H. Raising self-esteem
- I. Learning effective study strategies
- J. Developing critical and creative thinking skills
- K. Using technology to aid learning