Developmental Studies (DEVS)

Community and Technical College
Department of Developmental Education
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DEVS F052  Reading Enhancement
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Intensive instruction in reading designed to increase vocabulary and comprehension skills necessary for successful reading in the content areas of college courses. Focus is on improved reading comprehension and vocabulary development.
Prerequisites: Appropriate placement test scores.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

DEVS F058  Reading Skills
1-3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Course emphasis is on improving reading comprehension using texts and other materials. Focus is on paragraph structure to recognize main idea, supporting details and author's purpose. Study techniques for recognizing new vocabulary. Small groups allow individually designed course of instruction to meet the needs of the students. May be repeated.
Prerequisites: Placement.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1-3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades
Repeatable for Credit: May be taken unlimited times for up to 998 credits

DEVS F101  Skills for College and Career Success
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
A diverse menu of study skills for students entering college. Skills include active listening, effective reading, taking notes, test taking, communication, time and money management. Students learn personal development skills addressing intrusive issues impacting learning processes, increasing self-esteem, and relating these skills to the classroom and later a career.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

DEVS F104  University Communications
1-3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduces the unique methods of communication required at the college level, including combinations of reading, writing and oral communication as required for degree content purposes for certificate degree programs. May link with selected lecture and/or discussion courses. May be repeated for credit when content varies.
Recommended: Placement into WRTG F090.
Special Notes: Does not meet prerequisite requirements for WRTG F111X without further placement testing.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1-3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus
Repeatable for Credit: May be taken 1 time for up to unlimited credits

DEVS F105  Academic Reading for College
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Strengthens academic and critical reading and literacy skills required for college-level courses. Emphasizes practice and transfer of reading and study skills that increase comprehension and retention of narrative and expository materials typically encountered in college courses, e.g. textbooks, websites, research articles, etc.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

DEVS F107  Reader-writer Workshop
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
A reader-writer workshop to develop fluency in reading and writing skills for persons whose first language is not English. Intensive speaking, listening, reading and writing activities.
Prerequisites: Placement by examination or student decision.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

DEVS F108  Study Skills Lab
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Improvement of study skills in areas of greatest need on an individual or small group basis in the lab or other workshop or individualized format. Topics include time and stress management, listening/note taking, library research and memory. Course may be repeated for credit when content varies.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades
Repeatable for Credit: May be taken 9 times for up to unlimited credits

DEVS F110  College Success Skills
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction and overview of the diverse skills, strategies and resources available to ensure success in the college experience. Topics include study skills, time management, career planning, stress management, communication skills, test taking and personal development skills.
Special Notes: DEVS F110 is a required co-requisite for students who place into WRTG F111X Plus.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades

DEVS F111  Math Study Skills
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
This course is designed to help students learn math by developing successful study skills and exam-taking methods. This course addresses learning styles, how to read a math book, completing homework assignments, how to take notes and exams, and techniques for overcoming math anxiety.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades
Repeatable for Credit: May be taken 3 times for up to 4 credits
DEVS F112  Reading in the Natural Sciences
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Will improve student success in their current and future natural science classes. Will provide supplemental instruction time focusing on introducing and/or developing reading skills that will aid in reading, understanding, and retaining science information delivered in the natural science lecture and lab. Skills emphasized will include identifying, organizing and prioritizing topic, main idea, and details, note taking, and using effective reading to improve test performance. Must be linked to freshman level science class.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades
Repeatable for Credit: May be taken 3 times for up to 4 credits

DEVS F114  Reading in the Humanities/Social Sciences
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Introduction and application of effective reading strategies for increased comprehension and retention of course content delivered via written formats, e.g., textbooks, articles, web pages, etc.
Corequisites: Core humanities/social science course.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades
Repeatable for Credit: May be taken 3 times for up to 3 credits

DEVS F150  Life Work Planning
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Planning for a satisfying career choice based on realistic assessment of self, accurate knowledge of the world of work and experience with ways to activate career plans. Enables students to evaluate potential careers and to make educational and job search plans.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Pass/Fail Grades

DEVS F160  The Resume: Key to Success
1 Credit
Offered As Demand Warrants
Use the resume writing process to develop job seeking skills: locating the hidden market; researching job potential; learning to fill out effective applications; designing and printing a custom resume; assembling a portfolio; and developing effective interview skills.
Recommended: DEVS F150.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus

DEVS F185  Critical Thinking
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
A study of inductive, deductive and seductive thinking, and skill building to recognize and use all three. Critical thinking skills to analyze newspaper, magazine and spoken arguments. Political speeches and other media presentations examined. Effective and convincing presentation of one's own ideas including formal and informal logic.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
Grading System: Letter Grades with option of Plus/Minus