DEVELOPMENTAL STUDIES (DEVS)

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

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

DEVS F101  Skills for College and Career Success  
3 Credits  
Offered As Demand Warrants  
A diverse menu of study skills for the student entering the college environment. Skills include active listening, effective reading, taking usable notes, test taking, communication, time and money management. Students learn personal development skills that assist in addressing intrusive issues that impact the learning process, increasing self-esteem, and relating these skills to the classroom and later to a career. Class sessions offer diverse learning experiences.  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

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

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

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

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

DEVS F110  College Success Skills  
1 Credit  
Offered As Demand Warrants  
An 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.  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

DEVS F111  Math Study Skills  
1 Credit  
Offered As Demand Warrants  
Will improve reading and study skills in math and will support students in their math class. Will provide supplemental instruction time focusing on the introduction and/or development of reading and study skills that will aid in solving math problems and understanding and retaining the math information delivered in the class. This course will be linked to a math course.  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 0 + 0

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

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
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

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

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