

CARDINAL LEARNING COMMONS (CLC)

CLC-101 **Designing Your NIC Experience** **2 Credits**

Lecture: 2 hours per week

Offering: Fall, Spring, and Summer, All Years

This course is designed to promote the academic success and personal development of all students by equipping them with strategies and life skills they will use throughout college and beyond. Through a holistic, student-centered approach, students will identify their strengths and weaknesses, adopt new learning strategies, and utilize resources available to them at NIC.

CLC-102 **Designing Your Life and Career** **1 Credit**

Lecture: 1 hour per week

Offering: Fall and Spring Only, All Years

This course employs a method called "design thinking" to help students from any program develop a constructive and effective approach to finding and designing their vocation after college. Through seminar-style discussions, role-playing, writing assignments, guest speakers, and individual mentoring and coaching, this course teaches students to use design thinking to explore many of life's major challenges, such as pursuing careers they love and finding personal fulfillment.

CLC-105 College Study Skills **2 Credits**

Lecture: 2 hours per week

Offering: Fall and Spring Only, All Years

This course provides instruction on how to use powerful study skills to consistently achieve academic goals and experience success. This course emphasizes learning styles and preferences, managing time, memory coding and recall, taking notes, reading textbooks efficiently, strengthening listening skills, and preparing for and taking exams.

CLC-115 Academic Pathways Exploration **1 Credit**

Lecture: 1 hour per week

Offering: Fall and Spring Only, All Years

This course provides an introduction to a variety of academic programs and pathways offered at North Idaho College. Through weekly guest lectures from experts in the discipline, students will learn about the basis of each discipline, potential career opportunities, and gain insight into some of the latest research and technology. This course is designed for students with undecided career pathways and those who want to explore their academic curiosity.

CLC-120 **First Year Experience Seminar** **2 Credits**

Lecture: 2 hours per week

Offering: Fall and Spring Only, All Years

This course is designed to provide first-year students a community in which they develop the habits and practices of effective college citizens and make meaningful connections to those habits and practices in appropriate disciplinary contexts. It will also provide students with an opportunity to cultivate intellectual curiosity in order to foster critical thinking skills, define academic pathways, and develop career readiness skills. Emphasis is on active engagement in learning processes through self-reflection, peer interaction, and engagement with the campus community and resources.

CLC-130 **First Year Experience Learning Community Symposium** **1 Credit**

Lecture: 1 hour per week

Offering: Fall and Spring Only, All Years

This course engages students in project-based learning using design thinking. Project topics will relate to content of the co-requisite course and will be co-constructed by students and the faculty. Outcomes and themes from CLC-120 including, collegiate citizenship, intellectual curiosity and career readiness will be developed through project activities.

Recommended Prerequisites: CLC-120