

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 and practical study techniques essential for academic success. This course emphasizes managing time, taking notes, reading textbooks efficiently, and preparing for and taking exams.

CLC-106 College Internet Skills

1 Credit

Lecture: 1 hour per week

Offering: Fall, Spring, and Summer, All Years

This course covers the basics of taking an interactive course via the Internet. The student will learn how to use NIC's learning management system for Internet classes. This involves developing skills concerning the use of email, online discussion boards, world wide web access, equipment needs, and navigating an online course. Additionally, the student will analyze the difference between online and traditional courses to evaluate his or her learning style in order to develop good academic skills to succeed in online classes. This class provides an excellent opportunity to learn how to navigate classes for future Internet course work.

CLC-108 Tutoring Skills

1 Credit

Lecture: 1 hour per week

Offering: Fall and Spring Only, All Years

This course will provide students interested in tutoring or teaching an introduction to learning theories, styles, and techniques as related to tutoring. The topics will include active listening, effective questioning, diversity awareness, implementation of tutoring strategies and assessment of learning styles and study skills. Participatory classroom activities will be included to develop communication, critical thinking and problem solving skills. This course will provide participants with leadership and communication skills that may be applied throughout their college experience and career. Students do not need to be a Peer Tutor to be enrolled in this course.

CLC-112 Student Leadership Development

2 Credits

Lecture: 2 hours per week

Offering: Spring Only, All Years

This course is designed to prepare students for their role as leaders on campus. Strengths-based curriculum will help students identify their personal strengths in order to increase proficiency and confidence as leaders. Experiential learning activities will be used to develop leadership styles, communication skills, diversity awareness, and etiquette. Students will learn how these skills are an essential part of competent leadership on campus and in the community.

CLC-113 Resident Assistant Training

1 Credit

Lecture: 1 hour per week

Offering: Spring Only, All Years

This course focuses on student development theory and its application in a college residence hall setting. The course provides an emphasis on the development of leadership styles, peer counseling techniques, crisis intervention, and interpersonal communication skills.

CLC-114 Career Development

3 Credits

Lecture: 3 hours per week

Offering: Fall Only, All Years

This course provides students with the skills necessary to make informed career decisions including identifying and assessing individual interests, skills and abilities, values, and preferred job characteristics. Students will also examine the world of work, job search strategies, and current and future work trends.