

University College - First-Year Inquiry

Would you enjoy a course where you can get to know your professor and have the opportunity to discuss timely topics that interest you in a small- class environment? Do you need a full requirement for the General Education Program?

First-year Inquiry (FYI) classes are for you! These courses, designed for new freshmen/transfers at NC State, feature a small class size (+/-19 students) that encourage active learning and inquiry, develop critical and creative thinking skills, build academic community, and foster a close intellectual relationship between students and faculty. In Fall 2022 we will offer 17 sections of FYI courses. Make sure to register for the section of the course with the "Q" designation. Linked courses are restricted to students enrolled in corresponding sections of USC 101 (Exploratory Studies).

AFS 240 African Civilization

An interdisciplinary study of centers of African civilization from antiquity to the 1960s. Such centers include ancient Egypt, Nubia, Axum, Ghana, Mali, Songhai, Kilwa, Malinda, Sofola, Zinzibar and Monomotapa. (Section 001Q/MW: 11:45AM-1:00PM) GEP: Global Knowledge, GEP: Humanities

ANT 251 Physical Anthropology

Study of human evolution. Processes of evolution, human variation and race, behavior and morphology of nonhuman primates, and the fossil record. Emphasis on the study of human biosocial adaptation, past and present, and on humans as culture-bearing primates.

(Section 004Q/TTh:4:30PM-5:45PM) GEP: Social Sciences

BIT 100 Current Topics in Biotechnology / BIT 201Q LAB

This course provides both science and non-science students an opportunity to learn about current issues in biotechnology that play a role in our society. Topic areas will include contemporary and historical applications of biotechnology. From alternative fuel sources to the ramifications of the elucidation of the human genome on health care issues, advances in biotechnology are constantly reshaping the world we live in. Students will give presentations and participate in discussions in the classroom, as well as be engaged in the laboratory on a variety of different topics in biotechnology that affects all our lives. (Section 001Q LEC/T: 8:30AM-11:15 AM) (Section 201Q LAB/ Th: 8:30-11:15 AM) GEP: Interdisciplinary Perspectives, GEP: Natural Science

COM 112 Interpersonal Communication

(Linked) Interpersonal Communication explores self-concept, language and culture, self-disclosure, active listening, verbal and nonverbal communication, and conflict management. This class is all about relationships! We discuss how we form, maintain, and sometimes end friendships, as well as family, romantic, and workplace relationships. We will examine our own lives, as well as examples from social media, television, movies, and other media. Each week we will enjoy discussions that apply what we learn to real life examples, as well as methods to improve our relationships. (Section 002Q/TTh 3:15-4:15 PM) GEP: Social Sciences

ENG 251 Major British Writers

(Linked) Significant British authors chosen from among such figures as Chaucer, Shakespeare, Milton, Swift, Pope, Austen, Wordsworth, Coleridge, Tennyson, Browning, Bronte, Dickens, Joyce, Eliot, Woolf, and Yeats. (Section 001Q/MW: 1:30PM-2:45 PM) GEP: Humanities

ENG 266 American Literature II

A survey of American literature from the Civil War to the present, including such central authors as Whitman, Dickinson, Twain, James, Crane, Wharton, Frost, Eliot, Hemingway, Hurston, Faulkner, Wright, O'Connor, and Morrison. (Section 001Q/TTh: 8:30AM-9:45 AM) GEP: Humanities, GEP: U.S. Diversity

EMA 110 Introduction to Arts Entrepreneurship

(Linked) This course introduces students to the basic components of an entrepreneurial lifestyle in the arts for those interested in starting an arts business. Students explore fundamental issues arts entrepreneurs encounter and how they can be addressed before the startup process reaches the launch cycle. Students are required to provide their own transportation to and cover the admission costs of off-campus events. (Section 001Q/TTh 10:15-11:30AM) GEP: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

FS 201 Introduction to Food Science

Food science is an exciting, multidisciplinary career that draws on chemistry, microbiology, and engineering principles to produce, preserve, and protect the foods that we eat every day. This course is designed to help you understand the journey of foods from "farm to fork", the effect of diet on human health, and the laws governing food labeling and marketing. It's science you can eat! (Section 002Q/MWF 10:15 AM- 11:30 AM) GEP: Natural Science

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HI 208 The Middle Ages

We will study Medieval civilization as it emerged from the declining Roman Empire through its apogee in the 13thc. Topics include the transition from the classical to the medieval world, the impact of the Germanic influx, the Islamic influence, the Crusades, and the political, economic, and social institutions of the High Middle Ages. (Section 003Q/TTh: 3:00PM-4:15 PM) GEP: Global Knowledge, GEP: Humanities

HI 254 Modern American History

Major themes in modern American history with an emphasis on diversity in the United States; focuses on aspects of race/ethnicity, gender, class, sexual orientation, disability, religious and/or age identities as it considers the impacts of industrialization and economic modernization; impact of war on American domestic and foreign policy; continuity and change in American institutions and values; problem solving in a pluralistic society. (Section 007Q/TTh: 11:45AM-1:00 PM) GEP: Global Knowledge, GEP: Humanities

IS 200 Introduction to International Studies

Introductory analysis of the diverse processes of globalization, and an interdisciplinary survey of the social, political, economic, and cultural patterns reflected in the interrelations between various regions of the world. Emphasis on the historical and cultural contexts of debates in current global issues. A foundation course for students preparing an International Studies major or minor. (Section 005Q/MW: 11:45AM-1:00PM) GEP: Global Knowledge, GEP: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

MEA 260 Human Dimensions of Climate Change

Climate is changing with potentially catastrophic implications for the Earth and for people. In this course we discuss how and why climate is changing and how climate change is affecting and will affect human well-being in society. We draw upon the multiple disciplinary lenses and diverse perspectives needed to evaluate proposed solutions to climate change across multiple dimensions and/or to assess fully the consequences of inaction. (Section 001Q/TTh: 10:15AM-11:30 AM) GEP: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

MUS 211 Popular Music 1980s to Present

We will examine the stylistic development and cultural impact of popular music in the United States from the 1980s to the present. Musical styles discussed include mainstream and alternative rock, metal, pop, country, contemporary R&B, rap, hip-hop, dance music, and electronica. No prior musical knowledge is necessary. Students may be required to provide their own transportation to and cover the cost of an on- or off-campus event. (Section 001Q/TTh: 3:00PM-4:15 PM) GEP: Visual & Performing Arts

PRT 152 Introduction to Parks, Recreation and Tourism

Introduction to the professional field of recreation by presenting the basic principles, fundamentals and concepts of recreation as related to such factors as recreation history and objectives, sociological and economic aspects of recreation, leadership qualities and facility provision; and settings for organized recreation in modern society. (Section 002Q/TTh: 11:45AM-1:00PM) GEP: Social Science

PS 201 American Politics & Government

(Linked) Analysis of American political institutions and processes, including the constitution, political culture, campaigns and elections, political parties, interest groups, the media, the president, congress, the federal courts, and public policy. Discussion of contemporary and controversial issues in American politics. Emphasis on placing current issues in comparative and historical perspective where relevant. (Section 002Q/MWF: 11:45AM- 12:35PM) GEP: Social Science

STS 323 World Population and Food Prospects

(Linked) World Population and Food Prospects examines the dynamics of population size and food needs production, distribution, and utilization. The course also analyzes the consequences of inadequate nutrition, food choices and efforts to increase the compatibility of effective food production systems. (Section 002Q/TTh: 4:30PM-5:45 PM) GEP: Interdisciplinary Perspectives, GEP: Global Knowledge

WGS 210 Women and Gender in Science Technology

Interdisciplinary introduction to the reciprocal relationships between scientific/technological research and contemporary understanding of gender. Special emphasis on social factors influencing scientists and engineers in their professions. Also listed as: STS 210 (Section 001Q/MW: 1:30 PM- 2:45 PM) GEP: Interdisciplinary Perspectives, GEP U.S. Diversity

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