

IS 103, Interdisciplinary Studies: Introduction to College

3 credits (CRN: 60508)

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:10am-12:20pm, Kailua HS

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WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai'i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide the Ko'olau region of O'ahu and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment — inspiring students to excellence.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

This course is designed to orient first-time students to a college setting. Students will learn (1) the tools, techniques, methods, procedures, processes, skills, resources, and attitudes for success; (2) the programs and services of a postsecondary institution of higher education; and (3) to design a personal, comprehensive, postsecondary academic plan.

Activities Required at Scheduled Times Other than Class Times

Outside of the classroom setting, you are required to complete any assignment not finished during class, homework assignments, and readings.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

As a result of taking this course, students can expect to attain the following outcomes:

- 1. Identify personal characteristics (e.g., learning styles, strengths & weaknesses, etc.) and analyze how these impact decision-making and success.
- 2. Analyze those factors which impact their relationships with others and articulate strategies and skills to encourage strong relationship building.
- 3. Identify college policies and resources related to students.
- 4. Practice learning strategies (e.g., note-taking, time management, test-taking, etc.) to increase success in college coursework.

COURSE TASKS

There are several requirments for this course. You will be assigned readings, weekly journal writing reflections, written assignments, and two presentations.

ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

The grading policy is designed to give you complete control over your grade. You can get any grade that you would like, depending on the amount of time and energy you put into the course work. Everyone is completely capable of achieving an A in the course so long as you put in the time and effort. This emphasizes that learning is about time and energy rather than innate academic ability.

Assignments	Points	Total	Grade Scale
In Class			A 500-450
Attendance & Participation	10 per week	150	
			B 449-400
Written Assignments			C 399-350
Reflections (1 per week)	10 each	150	
Genealogy	10 cacii	10	D 349-300
Career Interest	10	10	
Resume/Cover Letter	25	25	F 299-250
College Research	25	25	
Budget Activity	10	10	
Academic Plan	20	20	
Personal Journey	20	20	
College 101 Test	30	30	
Presentations			
Mock Interview	25	25	
Personal Journey	25	25	
	Total	500	

COURSE CONTENT

WEEK	Date	Discussion Topics	Readings and			
Section 1: Personal Development (Self) Assignments						
1	08/24-	Introductions/Course	Read:			
Past	08/26	Description	IS 103 Syllabus			
			Keahiakahoe Moʻolelo			
Introductions						
		My Life Story	Due: My Life Story			
2	08/31-	Growth Mindset	Read:			
Potential	09/02		Growth Mindset Article			
Skills for Success		Video: <u>Brain Development</u>				
		Organizational methods				

		Focused Note taking	Due: Focused Note taking Assignment	
3 Preparation	09/07- 09/09	Focus 2 Hawaii Industry Sector	Read: Job vs. Career Article	
Career Interest		3-2-1 Worksheet Career Interest Worksheet	Due: Values Assessment Workplace Assessment	
4 Professional Development	09/14- 09/16	Resume and Cover Letter	Read: Resume vs. Cover Letter	
		How to create a Cover Letter? How to design a resume?	Due: Resume/ Cover Letter	
5 Personality	09/21- 09/23	Myer Briggs- 19 Personalities Job Interview		
Performance		What kind of leader are you?	Due: Mock Interview	
Section 2: Resource Development (College)				
6 College 101	09/28- 09/30	What is College?	Read: What's the Purpose of College?	
		Types of Colleges	Due: College 101 Test	
7	10/05-	Library Research Units	Go to linkn and explore: <u>Library Research Units</u>	
Research	10/07	WCC Library Research/ References	Due: College Research Paper	
	10/12- 10/14	FALL BREAK		
8 Finances	10/19- 10/21	Financial Literacy	Read: Financial Aid article	
	,	What is <u>Financial Aid</u> ? Budgeting	Due: Budget Activity	
9 Support	10/26- 10/28	Academic Plan		
		Placement Tests Transfer Articulation	Due: Academic Plan Transfer College	
10 WCC Programs	11/02- 11/04	TRIO		
		Student Life Academic Programs/Degrees	Due: Reflection of Programs	

Section 3: Social Development (Others)			
11 Leadership	11/09- 11/11	Community Advocacy	Read: Integrating Native Hawaiian tradition with the modern technology of aquaponics
			Due: Reflection - Group work
12 Collaboration	11/16- 11/18	Community Action	Read: Kōkua Kaiāulu
			Due: Field trip forms
13 Community	11/23- 11/25	Personal Journey	
			Due: Personal Journey Paper
14 Final Project	11/30- 12/02	Academic Portfolio	Due: Academic Portfolio
15 Presentations	12/07- 12/09	Personal Journey Presentations	Due: Presentations

^{*}Due dates: For any assignments due, those assignments are due on the Thursday of the course.

LEARNING RESOURCES

There is no required textbook for this class. However, you will have reading assignments to complete before and after certain classes. These will sometimes be provided to you in class and other times you will need to access the readings from our Laulima site.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

My Success: At Windward Community College we want every student to be successful. MySuccess is a UH System-wide effort that seeks to support students early in the semester when they first begin experiencing difficulty in class. If I feel that you are having difficulty in my class (e.g., missing class, missing assignments, or low test scores) I will work with you and your assigned counselor to address your challenges. Once referred, MySuccess will:

- Call you and send an email to your hawaii.edu account to let you know about my referral;
 and
- Have your counselor follow up with you to find out what kinds of help you might need and connect you with the necessary resources to help you devise a strategy for success.

DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATIONS

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Accessibility Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Roy Inouye can be reached at (808) 235-7448, royinouy@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale Kākoʻo 106 for more information.

SEX DISCRIMINATION AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE RESOURCES (TITLE IX)

Windward Community College is committed to providing a learning, working, and living environment that promotes personal integrity, civility, and mutual respect and is free of all forms of sex discrimination and gender-based violence, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

If you or someone you know is experiencing any of these, WCC has staff and resources to support and assist you. To report an incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence, as well as receive information and support, please contact one of the following:

Madoka (Doka) Kumagai, Confidential Advocate

Phone: (808) 348-0663 (cellular) Phone: (808) 956-6084 (office) Email: kumagaim@hawaii.edu

Desrae Kahale, Mental Health Counselor & Confidential Resource

Phone: (808) 235-7393

Email: dkahale3@hawaii.edu Office: Hale Kākoʻo 101

Karla K. Silva-Park, Title IX Coordinator

Phone: (808) 235-7468 Email: karlas@hawaii.edu Office: Hale 'Ākoakoa 220

As a member of the University faculty, I am required to immediately report any incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence to the campus Title IX Coordinator. Although the Title IX Coordinator and I cannot guarantee confidentiality, you will still have options about how your case will be handled. My goal is to make sure you are aware of the range of options available to you and have access to the resources and support you need.

For more information regarding sex discrimination and gender-based violence, the University's Title IX resources and the University's Policy, Interim EP 1.204, go to manoa.hawaii.edu/titleix/

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Do your own work. This course is made available for your future success. The more you apply yourself here, the more opportunity you afford yourself in your academic journey.

ALTERNATE CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are unable to contact the instructor, have questions that your instructor cannot answer, or for any other issues, please contact the Academic Affairs Office:

Location: Alaka'i 121Phone: (808) 235-7422