



DEPARTMENT OF ACADEMIC UPGRADING

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2011

AD 0101 - STUDY SKILLS TUTORIAL 5 (0-0-5)

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PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:

Students who meet the admission requirements for entry into Academic Upgrading are eligible for AD 0101- Study Skills tutorial. Please refer to page 56 of the College calendar. The course is mandatory for all new sponsored students and for all full-time sponsored students who have a course load of less than 20 instructional hours per week.

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

The course text is *Ten Skills You Really Need to Succeed in School*. This text will be available for classroom use.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course is an individualized program of study skills, planned and supervised study time, and tutorial assistance personally designed for sponsored students to provide you with the opportunity to achieve success in your Academic Upgrading courses and your future program of studies. Components of the course include developing study skills needed for success in college courses, managing and prioritizing study time and working on assignments and projects with supervised tutorial assistance for select courses.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS:

5.0 credits / 75 hours

DELIVERY MODE(S):

The course may be taken for several semesters, depending upon each student's individualized program of study and the approval of the financial aid officer.

Components of the course include the following:

- Information, resources, and assistance to help you develop the study skills you need for success in all college courses.

NOTE: In addition to the study skills topics you will discuss in class, you may go on the internet for more tips at sites such as:

<http://www.ucc.vt.edu/stdysk/stdyhlp.html>

- Practice under the supervision of your instructor/advisor prioritizing and managing study time during your “work day” (the student workday is longer than most workdays and extends into your evenings and weekends).
- The opportunity to work on assignments and projects with supervised tutorial assistance available for select courses (in the majority of cases this will be your math course).

OBJECTIVES:

- Students will develop study skills needed for academic success
 - Students will practice self-management skills (time management, priority setting, and decision-making), academic skills (including note taking, test taking and memory tips) and life management skills including basic living skills and resources in Grande Prairie, and healthy life balance.
 - Students will increase their self-awareness through activities that include completing personal learning styles inventories and self-assessments.
 - Students will work on homework assignments with supervised tutorial support.

TRANSFERABILITY:

**** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

GRADING CRITERIA:

How to Earn Credit for the Course

You will receive a grade of Credit or Non-Credit for the course each time you take it if you meet the course requirements.

In order to receive credit in the course, you must complete a minimum **of 52 hours** of supervised study / student success seminars over the 13,5 weeks of class time in the semester.

In addition to the attendance requirement, you must demonstrate a minimum of **10 successful weeks** of progress in order to achieve credit for the course. Your progress each week will be evaluated on the following:

1. Attending class every scheduled class time.
2. Coming to class on time and leaving on time.
3. Being prepared to start schoolwork as soon as you arrive in class, working for the full duration of class time (either 50 minutes or 80 minutes, depending on timetable), and demonstrating progress in your work.
4. Attending all presentations (usually held on Mondays).

To demonstrate successful progress, you must complete an AD0101 Student Accomplishment Sheet each week and have it initialed and commented on by your course instructor. Accomplishment Sheets are both a record of work completed and a log to reflect on your learning progress in a particular week.

Incomplete Accomplishment Sheets or sheets with insufficient detail will be returned to provide you with an opportunity to revise and resubmit your Sheet. Accomplishment Sheets may also have a place for you to record notes and answer questions on that week's presentation.

Attendance

- Attendance in the course will be taken during each scheduled class time. Attendance and progress will be reported to the Student Support Assistant every week.
- If you are required to leave the study room during class time, you must complete a copy of the ADo101 Study Skills Tutorial Attendance Record and return it to your instructor at the end of the class in order to be marked present for that class.

EXAMINATIONS:

There are no examinations in AD 0101.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Philosophy:

- This is an adult education environment.
- Students are expected to show respect for others.
- Students are learning skills to prepare them for the work environment.

The following guidelines assist all of us in maintaining an adult learning environment with “respect for the rights of the other members of the College community” (from the Student Rights and Responsibilities of the College calendar).

1. Please refrain from unnecessary talking in class (“visiting”, social discussions)
2. Please ask your instructor for information or clarification when you have a question.
3. Turn off your cell phone during class time. Parents who are expecting phone calls from the day care or from schools should complete the required form. You will be notified as soon as possible if a call comes in.

In case of other emergencies, students can use a phone that vibrates but does not ring. However, please leave the class before answering the phone.

4. Eating, drinking coffee, etc are allowed only on a limited basis and if the following are observed:
 - If you must bring food or drink to class, purchase it during your break so that you are coming to class on time and staying the duration of the class.

- Clean up all garbage, crumbs, etc, from the area where you were eating / drinking.
 - Your eating or drinking should not disrupt your learning activities and progress or the learning activities and progress of others in the class.
5. As per the student responsibilities section in the College Calendar, you are expected to “arrive on time and remain for the duration of scheduled classes and related activities.”

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Please refer to pages 49-50 of the College calendar regarding plagiarism, cheating and the resultant penalties. These are serious issues and will be dealt with severely.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

To be announced