

Virginia Western Community College

SDV 101

Orientation to Communication Design

Prerequisites

None

Course Description

Introduces students to the skills that are necessary to achieve their academic goals, to services offered at the college and to the discipline in which they are enrolled. Covers topics such as services at the college including the learning resources center; counseling, and advising; listening, test taking, and study skills; and topical areas that are applicable to their particular discipline.

This class will assist students into the entry of study for the Communication Design disciplines. The course will help students achieve the skills required to succeed academically and professionally in the Communication Design areas.

Semester Credits: 2

Lecture Hours: 2

Required Materials

1. Internet Access

Other Required Materials:

None

Course Outcomes

At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:

VWCC Required Outcomes:

- **Budgeting and Financial Resource Management:** The student will be able to create and follow a basic budgeting process and understand the basics of resource management.
- **Academic Career Plan:** The student will be able to plan and structure an academic career plan that best suits their needs.
- **College Policies and Resources:** The student will be able to navigate the available VWCC resources and policies.
- **Academic Skills:** The student will identify the skills necessary to be successful in his/her academic program.
- **Life Management:** The student will demonstrate understanding of life management and help student borrowers understand how to manage their debt and repay their loans
- **Social/Interpersonal:** The student will demonstrate understanding of social interactions.
- **Wellness:** The student will demonstrate understanding of healthy life decisions

Visual Design Specific Outcomes:

- **Communication Design Choices-** understand the various facets of the Communication Design vocations- i.e. Graphic Design, Web Design, Digital Prepress, Video and Photography etc.
- **Core Comm/Design skills-** understand and identify the core skills required for success in a Communication Design environment.
- **Goal Setting-** Be able to plan, implement and reach goals.
- **Career Management-** be able to create and pursue a strategy for attaining the first Comm/Design job and then successfully manage the following career path.

Topical Description

None

Notes to Instructors

None