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# **Online Study Groups**

## Accounting for Decision Makers 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez

Intro/Non-Liberal

spaces avail 9

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study covers the fundamentals of financial and managerial accounting from the perspective of a decision maker. It emphasizes the relevance of accounting information to managers in all areas of business and incudes analysis of financial statements, financial planning, cost analysis and budgeting. Students are expected to evaluate and offer solutions to business problems. It is appropriate for those pursuing non-accounting degrees, managers in small or large companies or those planning to start their own small business. It does not meet the prerequisites for further accounting study. Students need Excel or equivalent spreadsheet software and should have a basic knowledge of spreadsheet use. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Meetings will be held on a weeknight. Students will use the textbook publisher's assignment system as the primary tool for assignment completion. They must purchase the textbook bundle that includes access to the system. This bundle is only available from the college bookstore.

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#### College Algebra 4 cr with Barbara Burger Intro/Liberal

spaces avail 17

fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i Mathematics - fully

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This beginning algebra study covers linear equations, systems of linear equations, exponents and polynomials, factoring, rational expressions, roots and radicals, guadratic equations, introduction to functions, fractional exponents, and inegualities with absolute values.

#### College Mathematics 4 cr with Barbara Burger

spaces avail 19 fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i Mathematics - fully Intro/Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

The purpose of this study is to introduce the student to mathematical concepts necessary for further study in areas such as business, mathematics, and science. Students undertaking this study should have some familiarity with basic mathematical concepts. Topics covered in this study include the following: basic numbering system, arithmetic operations, fractions and decimals, ratio and proportions, units and measurement, basic statistics, and an overview of basic algebraic concepts.

#### Computer Applications 4 cr with Barbara Burger

spaces avail 18 Intro/Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study covers MS Office applications including Word, Excel, Access, Publisher, OneNote, PowerPoint and Outlook. An emphasis will be placed on fundamental concepts of word processing, spreadsheet applications and problem solving, database applications, and creating effective PowerPoint presentations.

#### Computer Applications 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez spaces avail 10

Intro/Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

Students will learn to use word processing, presentation and spreadsheet applications effectively for business and college studies. This study includes hands-on learning of Microsoft Office 2010 or 2013 applications Word, Excel, Access and PowerPoint. Notes: Basic familiarity with personal computers, Windows 7 or 8 and browser use is required. This study requires daily access to a desktop or laptop computer. Students must already own or purchase the necessary software of the Microsoft Office 2010 or 2013 Suite to include Microsoft Office Word, Excel and PowerPoint. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Students must contact the instructor prior to enrolling, via email at Constance. Rodriguez@esc.edu.

#### with Constance Rodriguez Cost Accounting 4 cr

spaces avail 10

Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study offers the student the ability to develop an understanding of the attributes of cost behavior, cost accumulation systems and techniques, management planning and control systems, relevant cost information for short-term decision making and accounting data in long-term capital budgeting decisions. It includes detailed coverage of cost-volume-project analysis; job order and process costing including spoilage, budgeting, standard costing and variance analysis; absorption and variable costing; relevant costs; and capital budgeting. Notes: Participation in this study requires the previous use and a working knowledge of spreadsheet software. This study will require access to an online assignment site to complete assignments and students must purchase a textbook bundle that includes both the textbook and online course key. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Prerequisite: Introductory Accounting 1 and 2: Intermediate Accounting 1.

# Crimes Against Animals: History & Legal Aspects 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 15 Adv./Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study will focus on the history and development of the animal protection movement. The student will study the profound moral, philosophical, and legal questions provoked by the issues the animal rights movement has created. This study will also focus on how the movement reshaped itself as it has evolved within the broader social context of the shift of the United States from an industrial to a post industrial society. Few Americans today perceive either the companionship or the consumption of animals in the same manner as did earlier generations. Moreover, powerful and lingering bonds connect the seemingly disparate American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of the nineteenth century and the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals of today. For the Prevention of Cruelty tells an intriguing and important story that reveals society's often changing relationship with animals through the lens of those who struggled to shepherd the public toward a greater

#### Digital Photography/Advanced 4 cr with JoAnn Kingsley

spaces avail 12 fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully Adv./Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

compassion.

This is an Advanced level study of Digital Photography with an emphasis on the basic history and principles of photography. how to use your digital camera and what constitutes a "good" photograph. Students should acquire a camera with manual settings to use for this study. Students who have little or no previous background in photography are welcome to register for this study. However, the academic expectations for this study will be at the advanced level. For example, appropriate research writing skills will be expected as well as a recognizable awareness of how to demonstrate college level learning to the mentor. Please see the note above about the need to join the private Facebook study group. Upon registering, students should contact: joann.kingsley@esc.edu to get started with this study.

This study will examine the history of social welfare in the U.S. from the colonial era to the present with a focus on the transformations in how society identified the needy and which sectors of society assumed responsibility for care of the needy. This will include changes in societal approaches and organization of welfare services, changes in social policy on the local and national level and the impact of national and world events on the history of social welfare. The study will also examine the experience of different racial and ethnic groups in providing and receiving social welfare services as well as the professionalization of social work. This study may be taken at the introductory or advanced level but advanced level requires research and analytical skills. If you need to take this study for a credit amount other than 4 credits, please have your primary mentor add the study to your worksheet.

#### Human Resources Information Systems 6 cr with Angela TitiAmayah

spaces avail 10 Intro and Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

Among the recent development in the field of human resources management (HRM) is the increasing use of information technology. As a result of both the expansion of HR activities and mandates from federal and state statutes, record keeping is becoming an essential part of human resource practitioners' responsibilities. Students should be acquainted with the "best practices" and creative ideas in human resource information systems, and familiar with some cutting-edge HR software packages. Topics covered in the study include database concepts and applications in HRIS, the system development life cycle, and effective approaches to the measurement of human capital and the impact of people on organization processes, for example, HR programs such as recruiting. This study can be offered at the introductory or advanced level. This is offered jointly with MD Haque.

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### Intermediate Accounting 1 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez

spaces avail 9

Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

The student will apply financial accounting principles in a corporate setting to topics such as revenue and expense recognition, income statement and balance sheet analysis, stockholders' equity and present value. The study also covers working capital management including cash management, receivables, inventories and liabilities, long-term assets and liabilities and intangible assets. Knowledge of basic accounting principles as well as practice in opening, maintaining and closing books for all types of businesses, including corporations, is necessary. Completion of Introduction to Accounting 1 and 2 within the past two years is required; proficiency in using spreadsheet software is required. Daily access to a computer with internet access is required; some assignments are completed using the CengageNow online learning resource. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Prior to enrolling in this study, students are asked to contact the instructor via email at Constance.Rodriguez@esc.edu.

# Intermediate Accounting 2 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez

spaces avail 10

Adv./Non-Liberal

This is the continuation of the study of Intermediate Accounting. Students will learn to apply accounting principles in a corporate setting to topics such as long-term liabilities, capital stock, earnings per share, securities and funds investment, revenue recognition, leases, pension funds, financial reporting and basic financial statement analysis. Emphasis is placed on special situations and business problems. Prerequisite: Intermediate Accounting 1 or equivalent within the past two years, proficiency in using spreadsheet software is required. Daily access to a computer with internet access is required. Students will use CengageNow as the primary tool for assignment completion. They must purchase the textbook bundle that includes access to CengageNow. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Prior to enrolling in this study, students are asked to contact the instructor, Constance Rodriguez via email: constance.rodriguez@esc.edu.

#### Introduction to Accounting 1 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez

spaces avail 7

Intro/Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This is an intensive 4-credit group study of the basic principles and procedures for gathering, recording, summarizing and interpreting accounting data. It examines generally accepted accounting principles for measurement and reporting of financial information in a balance sheet and income statement. Topics include financial assets including cash, short-term investments and accounts receivables; inventories and the cost of goods sold; and plant assets and depreciation including acquisition of assets, disposal of plant and equipment, intangible assets and natural resources. Liabilities common to most businesses also are considered. Note: Participation in this study requires the previous use and basic knowledge of spreadsheet software and online computer skills. Use of an online homework system requires that you have daily access to the Internet as assignments are completed using the CengageNow online learning resource. The student must purchase a bundle that includes the textbook and online system access key; this bundle is available only through the College Bookstore or publisher. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Students should contact the instructor at Constance.Rodriguez@esc.edu.

#### Introduction to Accounting 2 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez spaces avail 10

Intro/Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This is a continuation of Introductory Accounting 1. Students will focus on managerial accounting topics including accounting for manufacturing operations, measuring unit costs and cost control, cost-volume-profit analysis and increment analysis in decision-making, operational budgeting and capital budgeting. Note: Participation in this study requires the previous use and basic knowledge of spreadsheet software and online computer skills. Use of an online homework system requires that you have daily access to the Internet as assignments are completed using the CengageNow online learning resource. The student must purchase a bundle that includes the textbook and online system access key; this bundle is available only through the College Bookstore or publisher. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Meetings will be held on a weeknight. Students should contact the instructor at Constance.Rodriguez@esc.edu. prior to enrolling in the study.

# Introduction to Criminology 4 cr with Krista Vasile

spaces avail 15 fulfills SUNY gen. ed. reg | Social Sciences - fully Intro/Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study is designed to give an introduction to the theories and perspectives involved with the field of Criminology. The study will help with the understanding how crime has been viewed and defined as well as types of crime and their characteristics. This study will also examine the aspects of the criminal justice system and contemporary controversies involved in their attempts to manage criminal activity.

#### Introduction to Digital Photography 4 cr with JoAnn Kingsley fulfills SUNY gen. ed. reg | The Arts - fully spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study is designed to offer students an opportunity to gain a general understanding of the history of photography, the tools and equipment used in photography, how to use their camera and what makes a "good" photograph. Students are advised to obtain a camera with manual settings (ISO, aperture and shutter speed) to use for this study. This is an introductory level study. Students who are interested in taking digital photography at the advanced level should register for the "Digital Photography" study. Upon registering, students should contact: joann.kingsley@esc.edu to begin discussing camera selection and being added to the Facebook group.

### Introduction to Traffice Collision Investigation 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 15 Intro/Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

Traffic collisions are investigated in order to determine the facts of a situation which led to the collision, to come to conclusions about the cause of the collision, and to make recommendations concerning liability and the prevention of collisions in the future. This study will teach the student how to gather pertinent information needed to draw a conclusion from traffic collision investigations. The student will also learn how to look for evidence, interview witnesses, and determine basic speed calculations.

### Juvenile Justice 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 14

Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study is designed to introduce the student to the concepts, principles, and practices of the juvenile justice system. In addition, it examines the causes and theories relating to juvenile delinquency and the effect this has upon society. Topics include the role of police, courts, corrections and community programs in delinquency prevention, control and treatment. The constitutional rights of the juvenile are discussed as well.

## Leadership & Professional Development 6 cr with Angela TitiAmayah

spaces avail **5** Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

Recent studies show that today's best leaders are those whose inner compass guide their daily actions and enable them to earn the trust of their subordinates, peers, and shareholders. The purpose of Leadership and Professional Development study (LPD) is to enable students to develop themselves as leaders of organizations and to embark on paths of personal leadership development, professional development and identity formation. LPD takes the view that to succeed in professional life we need to develop our ability to understand and direct our internal environment – our mindsets, emotions and motivations. Some of the most crucial skills in life have to do with how well we can manage this internal environment under ever-changing external circumstances. LDP is a catalyst for self-reflection. It is designed to help each student understand his/her leadership style; develop a personal philosophy of leadership, and an awareness of one's own. During this study the students will explore deeply the qualities of successful leaders and uncover the unique characteristics that comprise their personal leadership that will yield tangible improvements in their mastery over their inner environment. Lectures are supplemented by exercises involving introspection, self-evaluation, and the application of specific Personal Leadership techniques by students in their own lives. The study is appropriate for students who either hold leadership positions or are aspiring leaders from all backgrounds, and industries. This is offered jointly with MD Haque.

# Leadership & Professional Development 6 cr with MD Haque

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# Management Information Systems 4 cr with MD Haque

spaces avail 14 Adv./Non-Liberal

In organizations today, information technology has become a key component in accomplishing strategic and operational goals. Managers, professionals, and those serving in many other capacity's have increasing responsibility for determining their information system needs and for designing and implementing information systems that support these needs. In order to be most effective, mangers, professionals, and others need to be fluent in the language of information systems, and understand the role that information systems play in organizations. They will also need to understand how information systems are designed, constructed, implemented, and managed. This study is designed to provide an overview of information systems in the business world, and examine the use of information systems to support the management and business activities of an organization. The study focuses on the topics including the fundamentals of hardware and software, database management, data communications, transaction processing information systems, decision support systems, information reporting systems, office automation, networks, tapping the internet, expert systems, problem analysis, and system analysis and design. The interface between the information systems professional and the manager will be defined.

## Marketing Management 4 cr with Constance Rodriguez

spaces avail 15

Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This advanced level study of Marketing Management provides a study of the major aspects of marketing, including marketing research, new product development, branding and product management from the managerial point of view. Students should have some understanding of marketing from either a Principles of Marketing Study or significant experiential learning and must have completed a study in Business Management. Students will complete a project work plan, case study and marketing plan for their new product. They will also participate in a market research simulation in crowdsourcing. Online group meetings will be held using web conferencing software and participants must have a computer operating system that supports group meetings. Meetings will be held on a week night. Prerequisites: Principles of Marketing, Management Principles

## Mathematics of Cooking 4 cr with Barbara Burger

spaces avail 9 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req Mathematics - fully

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

Did you know that mathematics is at work in every kitchen and every recipe? Learn ratio, proportion, fractions and mathematical calculations in the context of cooking and baking. Learn to convert your favorite recipes to cook for a crowd or pare them down to make a delicious treat for yourself. No cooking and baking skills needed or necessary, but information learned can be applied to creating delicious and nutritious snacks and meals.

### Mental Health & the Law 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 13 Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study will provide the student with an understanding of the laws and issues that affect individuals with mental illness, many of whom find themselves in the criminal or civil justice systems. Emphasis will be on the issues surrounding civil commitment and the emerging use of treatment courts involved in the judicial and criminal justice branches. This will require a review of New York's Mental Health Law and procedures. The student will develop an understanding of current law/policy debates/problems that exist in the mental health and criminal justice field.

# Philosophy of Criminal Investigation 4 cr with William Martin

Adv./Non-Liberal

spaces avail 15

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

The student will learn the methods, skills and basic procedures involved in the investigation of a criminal matter. Topics include interrogation and interviewing, crime scene processing, search and seizure, report writing and crime scene sketches. Topics will also include exploring serious crimes, traffic collisions, criminal profiling and victimology.

# Police Community Relations 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 12 Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study will define the role of the police in and with community relations. This study will focus on police professionalism, responsibility and accountability in the community, as well as police relations with government and programs and institutions promoting a meaningful police image. The student will focus on current and past practices in enforcement, including problem solving, conflict resolution, as well as the community's involvement and partnerships with the police.

This is a basic statistics study designed to proceed from descriptive statistics to main topics of applied statistical inference. Topics will include concepts of probability and random variables, probability distributions, and regression and correlation. This study fulfills the statistics expectation for both business and human services students.

### Study Skills & Strategies for the Independent Learner 4 cr with Seana Logsdon

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req Basic Communications - partially

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

Students at Empire State College spend a considerable amount of time independently acquiring information and learning new skills. With each new study, a student may need to plan, implement, and demonstrate learning to successfully earn college credit. This process is often called "self-directed learning." This study is designed to explore, analyze, and apply skills and strategies needed to successfully complete self-directed learning experiences. The first half of the study will focus on self-reflection and behaviors typically associated with self-directed learners. The second half of the study will focus on communication and critical analysis strategies/skills necessary to learn from multiple forms of sources (print, visual, and electronic) and mentor meetings. The ultimate goal of this study is to assist students with a transition to a study environment at Empire State College in which they have the primary responsibility for their learning. The majority of this study will be completed with an online course space. Two face-to-face meetings will be required. At the initial face-to-face meeting, an orientation to the online course space will be provided.

Sustainability: Food & Agroecosystems 4 cr		with James Rose	
spaces avail 15	Adv./Liberal	fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req	Natural Sciences - partially
			Social Sciences - partially

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

There are interdependent relationships between agriculture, food, the environment, and trends toward sustainability in modern society. These relationships shape everyday life and are an integral part of our future in a myriad of ways. This study, focusing on the works of John Vandermeer (The Ecology of Agrosystems) and Amy Guptil et al. (Food & Society), explores these relationships through an interdisciplinary perspective and opens up further discussions of "connectedness" and quality of life issues in modern society.

### Terrorism & Counterterrorism 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 15 Adv./Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study examines the latest developments and offers new insights on the war on terror. It will provide an understanding of the strategies, tactics, and techniques required to tackle terrorism as it exists today. The study will focus on essential topics such as the elements common to all terrorism, bomb threats, risk assessment, hostages, and weapons of mass destruction. It will also focus on the countermeasures used by the military and law enforcement to deter and prevent terrorism.

### Terrorism & Homeland Security 4 cr with William Martin

spaces avail 14

Adv./Liberal

\*\* Online Study Group \*\*

This study provides the student with the theoretical and conceptual framework that enables them to understand how terrorism arises and how it functions. The study will focus on the domestic and international threat of terrorism and the basic security issues surrounding terrorism today. In addition, this course will discuss the Taliban's rise to power, its impact on Afghanistan, the Middle East and Central Asia, as well as its role in oil and gas company decisions, and the effects of changing American attitudes toward the Taliban. It will also explore why Afghanistan has become the world center for international terrorism.

Mondays\_

## Introduction to Dance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 14 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Mondays 7:00pm - 8:30pm 3/10/14, 3/17/14, 3/24/14, 3/31/14, 4/7/14, 4/21/14, 4/28/14, 5/5/14, 5/12/14, 5/19/14, 6/2/14, 6/9/14, 6/16/14

In this study, the student will attend regular modern dance class with the goal of learning: To develop a theoretical and working familiarity with either modern or ballet dance techniques. To learn to dance both as an individual and in an ensemble. To develop an overall sense of health and wellness for both body and mind by means of proper warm-up and cool down techniques, Ideokinesis and The Alexander Technique. Exploring the 5 elements of dance: Design, Rhythm, Motivation, Dynamics and the Use of Space. Two main outside texts (chosen from three possible texts) are required, as is daily practice on one's own. Weekly class attendance is mandatory. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 or email at Elizabeth.Clark@esc.ed to discuss.

#### Stretch, Strengthen & Relaxation 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Mondays 7:00pm - 8:30pm 3/10/14, 3/17/14, 3/24/14, 3/31/14, 4/7/14, 4/21/14, 4/28/14, 5/5/14, 5/12/14, 5/19/14, 6/2/14, 6/9/14, 6/16/14

Students learn foundation techniques for safely conditioning different muscle groups and preparing for expressive and recreational movement. The required weekly class addresses individual needs and problem solving for flexibility, strength, and stress reduction. Class includes not only guided movement, but also some imaginative movement improvisation, including everyday or recreation related movement. Required: Weekly Monday classes at 7PM, keeping a progress and question journal, viewing recorded human movement and sharing questions and discussion with the instructor, reading one major outside book resource, and writing a final essay that describes what was learned and applications to future everyday and recreational activities.

Tuesdays

### Advanced Studies in Dance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Adv./Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Tuesdays 5:30-7pm 3/11/14, 3/18/14, 3/25/14, 4/1/14, 4/8/14, 4/22/14, 4/29/14, 5/6/14, 5/13/14, 5/20/14, 5/27/14, 6/3/14, 6/10/14, 6/17/14

Students have the opportunity to attend weekly dance classes in ballet, modern or jazz dance under the guidance of Elizabeth Clark at the Elizabeth Clark Dance Ensemble. Since this is an advanced study, it is assumed that the student has a sound grounding in several years of dance fundamentals and even some performance. Attendance at all weekly classes is mandatory, as is the assumption that students will practice on their own. Readings will be given once instructor and student meet. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 to discuss.

### Advanced Studies in Movement 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Adv./Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Tuesdays 5:30-7pm 3/11/14, 3/18/14, 3/25/14, 4/1/14, 4/8/14, 4/22/14, 4/29/14, 5/6/14, 5/13/14, 5/20/14, 5/27/14, 6/3/14, 6/10/14, 6/17/14, 6/24/14

Students have the opportunity to attend weekly dance and or movement classes under the guidance of Elizabeth Clark at the Elizabeth Clark Dance Ensemble in order to develop an advanced applied and theoretical understanding of movement, predicated on Ideokinesis, The Alexander Technique, Laban Theories of Movement, etc. This will also include some study of anatomy, bio-mechanics and kinesiology. Since this is an advanced study, it is assumed that the student has a sound grounding in the basics of movement studies. Several main outside reading sources are required, as well as the keeping of a journal/notebook, attendance at weekly classes, plus the writing of a final paper. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 to discuss.

# Body Mind Balance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Tuesdays 5:30 - 7pm 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3, 6/10. 6/17/14, 6/24/14

Students work weekly in required studio class to develop dance techniques and/or increasing awareness of the impact of visualization and balance on their capacity for movement arts. Goals include to improve posture, body balance, stress

reduction, awareness of both right and left sides of the body in visualization, and to learn ideokinetic informed movement principles. Techniques include constructive rest, may include individual posture analysis, and visualization related to expressive movement. Requires weekly attendance, keeping a journal of all studio classes and home practice; use of one major outside book resource, and final report essay on what was learned and applications to movement tasks and opportunities beyond class. Contact Elizabeth Clark (585-442-5988) for details and meeting calendar.

#### Dance: A Living & Historical Art 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Tuesdays 5:30-7pm 3/11/14, 3/18/14, 3/25/14, 4/1/14, 4/8/14, 4/22/14, 4/29/14, 5/6/14, 5/13/14, 5/20/14, 5/27/14, 6/3/14, 6/10/14. 6/17/14

The student will work with tutor Elizabeth Clark in this study that is an introduction to Dance, an introduction to the Arts and satisfies the SUNY general education requirement in the Arts. The study will consist of learning about the theory, practice and history of dance through the following learning activities: Attending 13 weekly classes at Elizabeth Clark's studio. Keeping a journal that will consist of written notes from class, observations on any of the learning activities, and sketches/drawings of central learning issues. Reading, taking notes from and writing a final 12 page report on one main outside reading source. Attendance at studio class is mandatory. The goal of this study is multi-fold: To develop a theoretical, artistic and historical familiarity with dance. To see that dance or movement is a central part of one's self-development. To develop an overall sense of health and wellness for both body and mind by means of proper warm-up and cool down. To explore dance as an artistic medium that is thriving today and has rich history of its own. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 to discuss.

### Introduction to Sociology 4 cr with Sheila Searles-Fairey

spaces avail 14 Intro/Liberal

Gensee Valley Center, 1475 Winton Road North 213 Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm 3/25/14, 4/22/14, 5/20/14, 6/17/14

The purpose of this study is to introduce the concepts that frame Sociology as a Social Science. The major sociological theories will be covered within a study of contemporary society.

### Modern Dance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Adv./Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Tuesdays 7:00pm-8:30pm 3/11/14, 3/18/14, 3/25/14, 4/1/14, 4/8/14, 4/22/14, 4/29/14, 5/6/14, 5/13/14, 5/20/14, 5/27/14, 6/3/14, 6/10/14

This is a study in traditional American modern dance technique with conditioning, musical phrase work and performance enhancement. Contact Elizabeth Clark at 585-442-5988.

### Sociology of "At Risk" Adolescences 4 cr with Sheila Searles-Fairey

spaces avail 14 Adv./Non-Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | Social Sciences - fully

Genesee Valley Center, 1475 Winton Road North 201 Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm 3/18/14, 4/15/14, 5/13/14, 6/10/14

This study is designed to develop a comprehensive understanding of adolescence/youth that are describes as "At Risk". The theoretical prospective as well as the methods and skills needed to work with these youth will be explored. Student will also be exposed to educational, psychological, mental health, and politics of "At Risk " youth will also be explored.

### Sociology of the African American Family 4 cr with Sheila Searles-Fairey

spaces avail 15 Adv./Non-Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | Social Sciences - fully

Genesee Valley Center, 1475 Winton Road North 213 Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm 3/11/14, 4/8/14, 5/6/14, 6/3/14

The purpose of this study is to provide the student with the opportunity to study the socio-cultural factors that effect the development of American African family unit. The student will be involved in an historical and sociological comparison of the American African family lifestyle as well as comparing this lifestyle with the experiences of non-African American families.

#### Visualization, Movement & Dance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 14 Adv./Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Tuesdays 5:30-7pm 3/11/14, 3/18/14, 3/25/14, 4/1/14, 4/8/14, 4/22/14, 4/29/14, 5/6/14, 5/20/14, 5/27/14, 6/3/14, 6/10/14

Students attend movement classes with instructor Clark at one of two locations. They do readings on dynamic alignment, and view live or recorded performances to become familiar with proper alignment and benefits of visualization for arts performance. They keep a dance journal on all their learning activities and complete a final paper explaining their learning through movement, readings, and viewing. No previous dance experience necessary. One main outside reading source is required. Advanced level only with permission of instructor--advanced learning activities will be different from those described here. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 to discuss.

Wednesdays

#### College Writing II: The Research Paper 4 cr with Leslie Edwards spaces avail 14 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. reg | Basic Communications - fully

Genesee Valley Center 205 Wednesdays 5:30 - 7:30pm 3/12/14,3/19/14, 3/26/14,4/2/14, 4/9/14, 4/16/14, 4/23/14, 4/30/14, 5/7/14, 5/14/14, 5/21/14, 5/28/14, 6/4/14, 6/11/14, 6/18/14, 6/25/14

This group study, College Writing II: The Research Paper, is designed for the student who has taken "College Writing I: The Basics" or has mastered the basic principles and techniques of effective academic prose and wants to learn how to write a College Research Paper. This group study (limited to 15 students) will meet regularly to review and focus on the components of an academic research paper, including: topic selection and focus, the research question, the research process, thesis selection and support, citation and documentation, and appropriate writing style. Attendance at weekly group meetings is required. The study meets the SUNY general education requirement for Basic Communication.

### Diversity in Dance-Multicultural & World Dance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Wednesdays 7:00pm - 8:30pm 3/12/14, 3/19/14, 3/26/14, 4/2/14, 4/9/14, 4/16/14, 4/23/14, 4/30/14, 5/7/14, 5/14/14, 5/28/14, 6/4/14, 6/11/14, 6/18/14, 6/25/14

Weekly studio class with Elizabeth Clark, performing artist and award-winning dance educator, in world dance traditions including South Asia, Polynesian, and Iberian character modes, is supplemented by journal assignments, viewing recorded performances, and one major outside reading source. Study includes history and appreciation of world roots of modern dance in America. Culminating paper integrates and demonstrates learning from studio, reading, and viewing activities. Contact Elizabeth Clark at 585-442-5988 for more details and meeting calendar.

### Introduction to Digital Photography 4 cr with Pat Maley

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

Genesee Valley Center 201 Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 pm 3/12, 3/26, 4/9, 4/23, 5/7, 5/21, 6/4, 6/18/2014

This study is designed for students who want to learn how to use a digital camera to capture, edit, and manipulate photographic images. This study is intended for the student who has working knowledge of the basics of either the Windows or Mac operating system, as well as having completed a study in traditional photography (or equivalent experience). This plan will be implemented by reviewing principles of composition; discussing and practicing various styles of photography; learning to use appropriate digital photographic editing software; and, finally, how to prepare the final images for various means of display, from hard copy printing to digital display. Student must own or have access to a Digital camera and Adobe Photoshop or Photoshop Elements.

### Library Information & Database Research 2 cr with Neil Ward

spaces avail 12 Intro/Liberal

Genesee Valley Center , 1475 Winton Road North 104 Wednesdays 5:30-7 3/19/14, 4/2/14, 4/16/14, 4/30/14, 5/8/14

The purpose of this study is to provide an opportunity to learn how to use the resources of the public library effectively and to learn about different types of information, where to locate information, how to retrieve it, and how to use it effectively for research, including using information and research databases available through the Empire State College online library. This study supports the research skill taught in the College Writing Group Studies. Students in that group study are encouraged to take this study as well. The student is required to attend group sessions (approximately 4-5 sessions) at the Genesee Valley Center. All study materials will be provided at group meetings.

World Dance, Childre	n's Dance, Introduction 4 cr	with Elizabeth Clark
spaces avail 15	Intro/Liberal	fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Wednesdays 7:00-8:30pm 3/12/14, 3/19/14, 3/26/14, 4/2/14, 4/9/14, 4/2/14,

Explore basic movement in several world, social, and modern dances that will expand your movement vocabulary and that will be useful in child development and education. Improve your own health with exercises of breathing, range of motion, muscular tone, posture alignment, and guided freedom to explore creative sources in different cultures, images, and traditions. We emphasize the image and story aspects of dancing. Requires weekly attendance, keeping a journal, video viewing, and one main outside reading source. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 for details and meeting calendar.

Thursdays

# American Sign Language 1 3 cr with MatthewJ Starr

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | Foreign Language - fully

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This study group is designed for students who never have learned American Sign Language (ASL), or have little experience using ASL. It focuses on learning a variety of communication skills such as utilizing ASL phrases, sentences, and phrases which we use them as everyday conversations. Students will develop a better knowledge of using sign production skills and sign comprehension skills with vocabulary words. In addition, the students will gain a better understanding of Deaf culture, and strongly emphasizes student participation.

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# Yoga & Dance 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spāces avail 15 Intro/Liberal

fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Thursdays 4:00pm - 5:30pm 3/13/14, 3/20/14, 3/27/14, 4/3/14, 4/10/14, 4/24/14, 5/1/14, 5/8/14, 5/15/14, 5/22/14, 5/29/14, 6/5/14, 6/12/14

Students attend weekly studio classes that integrate core concepts of Yoga into movement practice and dance. They read an accompanying text, keep journal notes on both text reading and class experiences, and observe at least 2 other performance or class examples of yoga and/or East Indian dance forms. Selections must be approved in advance by the instructor. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 for details and meeting calendar.

Fridays\_\_\_

# Ballet-Studio & History 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Fridays 5:45 - 7:15pm 3/14/14, 3/21/14, 3/28/14, 4/4/14, 4/11/14, 4/18/14, 4/25/14, 5/2/14, 5/9/14, 5/23/14, 5/30/14, 6/6/14

This study provides the opportunity to achieve a beginning understanding and training in ballet technique as well as a basic understanding of its history and aesthetic in the context of the performance arts, meeting the SUNY general education requirement in the Arts. Requires weekly attendance, keeping a journal, video viewing, and one main outside reading source. Contact Elizabeth Clark (585-442-5988) for more details and a meeting calendar.

# Wellness Through Movement 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 13 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req i The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Fridays 4:30-5:45pm 3/14/14, 3/21/14, 3/28/14, 4/4/14, 4/11/14, 4/25/14, 5/21/14, 5/30/14, 5/30/14, 6/6/14, 6/13/14

This study combines the arts of dance, imagery, imagination, and movement utilizing ideokinetic principles for application to a lifetime of wellness. Specific techniques include ideokinetic facilitation, constructive rest, perceptual pathways, and posture analysis/improvement. Students will attend required weekly class, keep a required journal, and write a final report essay on their learning, supported by their instruction and individualized discussions with the instructor as well as reading and note-taking on one major outside book resource. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 for details and meeting calendar.

Saturdays\_

#### Dance: The Art of Movement 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

First Baptist Church, 1862 Penfield Road (Route 441) Saturdays 11:15am - 12:45pm 3/15/14, 3/22/14, 3/29/14, 4/5/14, 4/12/14, 4/26/14, 5/3/14, 5/10/14, 5/17/14, 5/31/14, 6/7/14, 6/14/14

The student will work with tutor Elizabeth Clark in this study that is an introduction to Dance, an introduction to the Arts and satisfies the SUNY general education requirement in the Arts. The study will consist of learning about the theory, art and underlying movement principles of dance through the following learning activities: Attending 13 weekly classes at Elizabeth Clark's studio. Keeping a journal that will consist of written notes from class, observations on any of the learning activities, and sketches/drawings of central learning issues. Reading, taking notes from and writing a final 12 page report on Ideokinetic and imaging techniques as they relate to dance, based on one main outside reading source. Attendance at studio class is mandatory. The goal of this study is multi-fold: To develop a theoretical, artistic and kineseological familiarity with dance. To see that dance or movement is a central part of one's self-development. To develop an overall sense of health and wellness for both body and mind by means of proper warm-up and cool down techniques. Exploring dance as an artistic medium that is predicated on ideas of movement. Contact Elizabeth Clark at: 585-442-5988 to discuss.

Meeting dates/times/locations not yet published \_\_\_\_

#### Academic Planning 4 cr with Anne Cobb

spaces avail 13

Adv./Liberal

\*\*\* Meeting dates/time/location not yet determined \*\*\*

The group study will cover all of the essentials of creating an Academic Plan: introduction to self directed learning; reading and researching; designing a degree program; writing a rationale; and writing outlines and essays to request prior learning assessment. This study is for matriculated students only. All Business, Management and Economics (BM&E) Students are expected to participate in the Saturday Seminars September 28, October 6, and November 23 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Alternative assignments are required from those missing one or more seminars. Reading materials will be distributed prior to the seminars. The seminars are an excellent opportunity to network and build team skills.

### Administering Children's Programs 3 cr with Marsha Dumka

spaces avail **\*CLOSED**\* Adv./Non-Liberal

\*\*\* Meeting dates/time/location not yet determined \*\*\*

This study is the first in a series of studies to fulfill the educational requirements for the NYS Children's Program Administrator Credential. The student will develop and understanding of Organizational Management & Principles & Practices, Personnel Management and Human Relations.

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### Modern Dance (Thursdays) 4 cr with Elizabeth Clark

spaces avail 15 Adv./Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req | The Arts - fully

\*\*\* Meeting dates/time/location not yet determined \*\*\*

This is a study in traditional American modern dance technique with conditioning, musical phrase work and performance enhancement. Contact Elizabeth Clark at 585-442-5988.