The New Student Seminar

This course includes modules on College Culture, Computer Literacy, Resource Utilization, Career and Life Strategies, Study Skills, Money, Wellness and Critical Thinking.

This course should be taken, in order to meet the Life Skills requirement, by all degree- or certificate-declared students:

- entering the Business and Technology Divisions for the fall 2006 academic year.
- in other programs as the new degree structure is implemented for each program.
- who are transfer students (as appropriate to their program of study – see above) unless they transfer a comparable course from an accredited college or university.

Students must score a minimum of 23 in Writing and 44 in Reading on the COMPASS assessment to be eligible to enroll in this course.

The focus throughout the course is on critical thinking. How to take in, question, and use information to solve problems, make good decisions, and plan and set goals, both long term and short term.

These problem-solving skills are applied to:

- practicing general study techniques such as active listening, note taking, test taking, memory techniques, and reading
- determining and using the strengths of various learning styles by knowing which strategies to choose for maximum learning benefit
- managing time and money, thereby reducing stress
- becoming a more literate, informed consumer through understanding media literacy
- understanding and embracing diversity and using civil behavior in the classroom and in society

In addition, students become familiar with college culture in general and Ivy Tech’s culture specifically. Services and opportunities provided by Ivy Tech are examined:

- resource utilization (library)
- distance education
- Campus Connect, Blackboard, and more.

“The seminar makes me think a lot and I feel that every day that I push my chair under the table after class, I know I have learned a valuable lesson and a way of life.”

Questions? Contact us!
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WHO: This course should be taken, in order to meet the Life Skills requirement, by all degree- or certificate-declared students -

- entering the Business and Technology Divisions – fall 2006.
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- who are transfer students (as appropriate to their program of study – see above) unless they transfer a comparable course from an accredited college or university.
- should be taken by any student who needs at least one Academic Skills Advancement course.
- is for ANY student who needs an additional 3 credits.
- is for ALL students who want to establish a “success orientation” toward college and improve the likelihood of reaching their goals.
- may be taken by courses-only/undecided students.
  (students will need to take the course once they declare a degree/certificate program that requires it).
- may be taken by Nursing Program students.

WHAT:
Life Skills Course IVY 120 is a three-credit course. It will fulfill the one-credit Life Skills course requirement in all certificate and degree programs when they are converted to the new degree structure.

WHERE:
Bloomington offers this course in face-to-face, online, and hybrid formats.

WHEN:
Students should take this course their first semester upon entering ITCCI-B.

WHY:
Students should take this course because:

- this is a foundation course containing units that help students develop the study, career, research, and life skills needed from college entrance and on into the future. This course addresses seven of the nine educational outcomes identified in the General Education outcome statements.

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