

Other Gens Class Offerings for Fall 2009

These five week courses are taught through University Division by adjunct faculty, Academic Skills specialists, and University Division Advising staff.

GENS 105 College Study Strategies (1 credit)

- *Offers suggestions and practice to improve study methods.*
- *Assists students in understanding their own learning styles.*
- *Course topics include time management, note taking from lectures and textbooks, exam preparation, listening skills, memory concentration, test anxiety, and organization.*

GENS 111 Career Planning (1 credit)

- *Benefits any student undecided on a major or career choice.*
- *Designed to increase self awareness, familiarize participants with informational resources available to help in career planning, and provide individualized assistance with major and career decision making.*

GENS 199 Select Topics in Study Strategies (1 credit)

- *Focuses on specialized topics in study strategies such as advancing vocabulary, speed reading, critical thinking, test taking, and semester planning. Course is open to all students and is repeatable with change in course content.*
- *Fall 2009 offerings include: Speed Reading and Advancing Vocabulary*

Academic Skills Tutoring Hours MTWR 8:00-6:00

F 8:00-4:00

Writers' Room Hours MTWR 9:00-6:00

F 8:00-4:00

Virtual Math Lab Check current schedule

GENERAL STUDIES COURSE CHANGES AND MODIFICATIONS

Academic Skills/University Division

1. **Students placing into GENS courses must attempt the GENS courses as part of the first 17 USI-hours attempted; All GENS courses must be completed before 32 USI college-level hours are earned. *Effective FALL 2009***
2. **Reading, English and Math placements are mandatory. *Effective FALL 2009***
3. **Students placing into GENS 099 must pass that course before attempting any Category A2, B1, B2, B3, or C (excluding modern and classical language) Core Curriculum courses. *Tentative Effective Date FALL 2010***
4. **Students placing into GENS 097 must pass that course before attempting any category C3 course. *Tentative Effective Date FALL 2010***
5. **As always, students placing into GENS 097 must pass that course before attempting any category A2 MATH course.**

In an effort to help students complete the GENS courses more efficiently and better prepared, we have enhanced the delivery methods of our GENS offerings to include quick reviews and more class time. Feel free to contact Nancy Myers in Academic Skills for more information.

464-1743 or 465-7096

GENS 097/MATH 100 Programs & Courses

GENS 199/MATH 100 **Elem Math score greater than 53**

Students placing into GENS 097, but identified as possibly not having the necessary foundational skills in mathematics, may be allowed to enroll in a specific section of MATH 100 that is paired with GENS 199 - Math Study Skills. This course is not recommended for students who are not highly motivated. Questions should be directed to the Department of Mathematics. 461-5336 or 465-7093

Rapid Review Program **Elem Math score 50 – 53**

Students placing into GENS 097 but having placement scores within four points of the cutoff score for MATH 100 may choose to participate in this program. Questions should be directed to the Department of Mathematics. 461-5336 or 465-7093

Two Math Classes/one semester **Elem Math score 45+**

Students placing into GENS 097 with a minimum placement score of 45 may select this option. Students enroll in specific sections of GENS 097 for the first seven weeks of the semester. Students who are successful will advance to MATH 100 for the second half of the semester; students who do not successfully complete GENS 097 will repeat the course during the second seven weeks. Students enroll in both courses at the beginning of the semester after receiving permission. Questions should be directed to the Department of Mathematics. 461-5336 or 465-7093

4 days/week/full semester **Repeat students/others can self select**

- **N Myers section reserved for Elem Math score less than 30**
- **One section is reserved as a late start class for students from other programs that need to drop back.**

These GENS 097 sections are intended for the repeating student and students who score less than 30 on the Elementary Algebra test. Nancy Myers' section is reserved for the students who scored less than 30. Anyone can self select to be in the other sections.

2 days/week & 3 days/week/full semester **Any student**

These GENS 097 sections are the traditional sections and are open to any student.

GENS 099/ GENS 151 Reading Courses

Reading Sequence

Students who begin their reading placement in GENS 099 will also need to enroll in the subsequent reading course, GENS 151, in order to be prepared for college level reading. It is recommended that students enrolled in a full semester GENS 151 course also enroll in one of the following courses concurrently: History 101, 102, 111, 112/Economics 175/Psychology 201/Sociology 121/Biology 105.

Two Reading Classes/one semester **SATR* score 370+** **ACTR** score 13+**

Students placing into GENS 099 with a minimum SATR score of 370 or a minimum ACTR score of 13 may select this option. Students enroll in specific sections of GENS 099 for the first seven weeks of the semester. Students who are successful will advance to GENS 151 for the second half of the semester; students who do not successfully complete GENS 099 will repeat the course during the second seven weeks. Students enroll in both courses at the beginning of the semester. Questions should be directed to Lori Saxby, Reading Specialist. 465-1011.

** SATR= SAT Critical Reading (Verbal) ** ACTR=ACT Reading*

2 days/week & 3 days/week/full semester **Any student**

These GENS 099/GENS 151 sections are the traditional sections and are open to any student.

GENS 098/ English

To place into ENG 101, students must meet two of the following three criteria:

1. High school percentile of 51% or above;
2. SAT Critical Reading score of 450 or above; or ACT Reading score of 19 or above;
3. SAT Writing score of 450 or above; or ACT Combined English/Writing score of 19 or above.

Students who do not have a placement for English must take an English placement test. Send those students to Academic Skills for the placement test.

Questions regarding English placements should be referred to Patrick Shaw, Director of Composition. 461-5258