

Experience Week Course Guide for Nov. 2017

Term 1

AM Session

Fly Tying & Geocaching (Mike) ELE 104

Students will participate in the process of creating fly fishing lures. Students will follow hands on instructions as they navigate through the steps of creating unique lures. Students will use problem-solving skills to search & locate items throughout the community (weather permitting).

Course counts towards elective credit

Chess (Ron) ELE 914

Enjoy one week of intense chess guaranteed to improve your game. This session features one on one instruction as well as individual and group work. Puzzles, tournaments, video lessons, will all be incorporated to help you elevate your game. This is for the more serious chess player who wants to improve and is willing to do the work to get there.

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College & Career Exploration (Gabe) ELE 107

This course will engage students in exploring various higher education institutions. Students will visit a community college, a four year university, a technical institution and community businesses that offers apprenticeship opportunities. Students will gather valuable information that will influence their future after graduation.

Course counts towards elective credit

Understanding Your Finances (Molly) ELE 780

This class will help you understand the value of managing your finances. Topics to be covered include: understanding interest (credit cards/loans as well as saving accounts), Student loans-how & where to get them, Money Budgeting, understanding Credit Unions vs Banks, and a guest speaker/tour from a local bank.

Course counts towards elective credit

Fitness Boot Camp (Bune) PED 119

In this class, students will engage in various fitness exercises to improve their physical and mental health. Fitness activities include walking, yoga and weights.

Course counts towards PE or elective credit

Managing Your Money (Matt) ELE 475

This is the most important class you will ever take in your life regarding MONEY. Students will learn: how to budget,invest, plan ahead financially and for retirement.

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Science Experiments (Jake) SCI 151

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Course counts towards Science (lab or general) or elective credit

Creative Writing Workshop (Wendy) ENG 000

This is a workshop class where the student will learn how to hone their writing skills through different activities. Each day the student will complete a small written piece that focuses on different aspects of creative writing such as descriptive language, dialogue, and figurative language.

Course counts towards English or elective credit

Genetics (AunaLee) SCI 306

The class will look at how genes are passed down from generation to generation as well as how mutations in genes cause a multitude of genetic disorders. We will also talk about how the environment can impact our genes and dig into the topic of epigenetics.

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Improv: Short Form Comedy (Rebecca) ART 303

Students will be learning the basic skills in order to do improvisation short form comedy. Students will learn to incorporate CROW(character, relationship, objective, where) into scenes. They will learn how to use gimmicks and physical comedy to add humor. Must be willing to get up,move around, participate, and speak in front of people.

Course counts towards Art or elective credit

Water Colors & Pastels (Kathy) ART 103

The students will learn some basic art elements and watercolor techniques. Students can select what subject they would like to paint.

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Outdoor Photography (Jason) ART 114

Students will take field trips to local areas where students can photograph nature at its finest. We'll start with a basic introduction to photography equipment and basic photo composition,

followed by two days of field trips- Finch Arboretum and Manito Park. The last day will involve learning basics of photoshop and retouching their best photos.

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Leadership Thru Movies (Cheri) ELE 117

Students will watch 3 movies with a leadership context- Moana, Wonder Woman, and Sing- using a graphic organizer students will take notes on each movie and write a summary on the leadership aspect of each movie. The final day the students will write an essay comparing and contrasting the three movies.

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Echoes and Reflections (Gabe) SST 711

This course is organized by topics that represent major themes associated with the Holocaust in an order that is roughly chronological. The integration of rich content in each Lesson helps students construct an authentic and comprehensive portrait of the past as they frame their own thoughts about what they are learning, resulting in a deeper level of interest and inquiry. This course provides an opportunity for students to discuss the value and importance of studying human catastrophes, in general, and the Holocaust, in particular.

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