CLA FIRST! COURSES AND SAMPLE FIRST SEMESTER SCHEDULE

Students in CLA First! take these CLA First!-designated courses:

Experiencing Boston – ENGL 101 and ENGL 200

At UMass Boston, we are lucky that our home is one of America's most culturally rich, dynamic, and innovative cities. This first-year course emphasizes the study of Boston culture, arts, literature, and history, featuring **exciting field trips**. We focus on generating analytical and creative approaches to studying-- and experiencing--urban spaces, using Boston as our hands-on laboratory. This course meets Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30am – 12:15pm and fulfills ENGL 101 (or ENGL 102 if bringing in ENGL 101 credit) and an Arts Distribution.

Choose from additional courses:

- O COMM 100 Introduction to Communication
- PSYCH 100 Introductory Psychology
- POLSCI 102 Government and Politics of the United States
- o SOCIOL 101 Introduction to Sociology
- o WGS 110 Gender in Global Context
- AFRSTY 110 African-American History I
- o ECON 102 Introduction to Macroeconomics
- LABOR 210L Labor and Working Class History in the United States
- o PHIL 108 Moral and Social Problems
- MUSIC 111 An Introduction to Music

You will also be enrolled in a 1-credit CLA First! Success Course which meets once a week on either Wednesday 12 - 12:50, Wednesdays 1 - 1:50, or Fridays 12 - 12:50. During this time, you'll have a chance to connect with your Peer Mentor and the CLA First! Advising team.

We are happy to work with you to select a general education distribution course that interests you and suits your academic plans!

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: I don't see a course for my major listed on the choice courses, can I still join? A: Yes; all courses within CLA First! fulfill general education requirements, and keep in mind, you will be adding additional courses. One of your courses could be a course for your major!

Q: I'm in the Honors College, can I also join CLA First!? A: YES, we welcome you to our community as well and can make this work!

Q: I'm anticipating AP or dual enrollment credit for ENGL 101 but I'm interested...can I join? A: YES! You can still take Experiencing Boston, but instead of taking it for ENGL 101/200, you'll take ENGL 102/200.

Q: I'm hoping to meet a lot of people. Does joining CLA First! mean that I'll only have classes with a small group of students? A: No, while you'll have some classes with CLA First! students only, other classes in the program are part of larger classes. Plus you'll take courses outside of the program too.

Q: Where can I learn more? A: Check out www.umb.edu/clafirst - or feel free to email us at clafirst@umb.edu; we are happy to chat!

Q: What will my class schedule look like with CLA First!?

Below is a sample class schedule; we'll help you with your class schedule at orientation during your Advising and Registration Session:

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00 AM	Moral and Social Problems (PHIL 108)		Moral and Social Problems (PHIL 108)		Moral and Social Problems (PHIL 108)
10:00AM		Experiencing Boston		Experiencing Boston	
11:00AM	Introduction to Sociology (SOCIOL 101)	(ENGL 101 / 200) 9:30a - 12:15p	Introduction to Sociology (SOCIOL 101)	(ENGL 101 / 200) 9:30a - 12:15p	Introduction to Sociology (SOCIOL 101)
12:00 NOON			CLA First! Success Course (INTR-D 280)		
1:00PM					

Interested in joining? You'll also hear from us before and at your new student orientation.

Want more info? Have a question? Send us an email: clafirst@umb.edu .