



Learning Communities at CGCC

*What is a learning community?
In a learning community, two or more classes are connected to make learning more meaningful to students.*

Learning communities integrate two or more courses in ways that meaningfully connect the knowledge of each course. Learning communities also connect students and faculty in a collaborative effort of teaching and learning that may extend beyond the classroom walls. Methodologies used in learning communities may include experiential learning, collaboration, active participation, critical thinking, thematic or problem-solving projects, and reflection.

At CGCC, learning communities can be comprised of fully integrated classes, linked courses, linked activities, or clustered courses.

CGCC Learning Communities are created for the purposes of:

- Influencing a deeper understanding of course material
- Recognizing connections across fields of study
- Fostering active participation in one's own learning, the class community, and the community at large
- Inspiring personal growth and academic progress

Business Transfer

By registering in the following two courses, ENG101 (First-Year Composition), and GBS151 (Introduction to Business), students will make connections across those fields of study and explore business topics. This integrated learning community will put students on track to meet the general education and lower division program requirements for transfer to public universities in Arizona. Students who are certain that they will be specializing in CIS or Accounting should discuss this learning community with an academic advisor before registering. To participate, students must register in ENG101, and GBS151. Information: Yvonne Reineke, 480.732.7237 or yvonne.reineke@cgcmail.maricopa.edu or Dr. Lee Garza, 480.732.7211 or lee.garza@cgcmail.maricopa.edu.

The Business Transfer learning community meets at the Pecos Campus. Students must register in GSB151, and ENG101, for a total of 6 credits.

ENG101	First-Year Composition	3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG071).		
32149	L226 TR 9:50-11:05A	Reineke

GBS151	Introduction to Business	3
Prerequisites: None.		
31113	L226 TR 11:15-12:30P	Garza

COMPASS for Student Success

COMPASS for Student Success was among the first learning communities established at CGCC and has become one of the college's signature programs for developmental students. Emphasizing critical reading, writing, study skills, and career planning, it helps students build a foundation for college success. Students register in a beginning-level writing course (ENG081 or ENG091) that is integrated with Strategies for College Success (CPD150); they also register in their choice of reading sections. To see if they qualify for this program, students must complete the placement assessment and meet with a CGCC advisor. Registration in ENG, CPD, and RDG sections is required with an advisor signature. Information: Heather Horn, 480.857.5193 or heather.horn@cgcmail.maricopa.edu.

This COMPASS for Student Success Learning Community meets at the Pecos Campus for a possible total of 6-12 credits.

CPD150	Strategies for College Success	\$2	3
Prerequisites: None.			
34187	SC178 MW 11:15-12:30P		Barrios

ENG081	Basic Writing Skills		3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or permission of department/division chair.			
32037	SC178 MW 9:50-11:05A		Horn

ENG091	Fundamentals of Writing		3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or permission of department/division chair.			
32043	SC178 MW 9:50-11:05A		Horn

This COMPASS for Student Success Learning Community meets at the Pecos Campus for a possible total of 6-12 credits.

CPD150	Strategies for College Success	\$2	3
Prerequisites: None.			
34191	SC178 TR 11:15-12:30P		Staff

ENG081	Basic Writing Skills		3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or permission of department/division chair.			
32039	SC178 TR 9:50-11:05A		Staff

ENG091	Fundamentals of Writing		3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or permission of department/division chair.			
32055	SC178 TR 9:50-11:05A		Staff

Complete either COMPASS Cluster by choosing among the reading options below.

RDG081 Reading Improvement 3
 Prerequisites: Placement test scores, or permission of instructor.
 32265 B171 MW 8:25-9:40A Zimmerer
 32267 C101 MW 11:15-1:55P Staff
 Section 32267 meets 8 weeks 08/24 - 10/14.

RDG091 College Reading Skills I 3
 Prerequisites: Reading placement test score (ASSET), or grade of "C" or better in RDG081, or permission of instructor.
 32271 A160 MW 8:25-9:40A Staff
 32273 C101 MW 11:15-1:55P Staff
 Section 21796 meets 9 weeks 10/19 - 12/18.

Aztlan to Zoot Suit: Exploring Narratives of Mexican American History & Culture

This course will examine the Indigenous and Spanish origins and the development of Mexican American peoples from the Aztecs and Cortez through the Alamo, the War with Mexico, the Great Depression, the Zoot Suit Riots, and Bracero Programs to present day. In addition, the course will analyze the contributions of Mexican Americans to the culture, history, and development of the United States, as well as immigration and its impact on the educational, social, and economic conditions of Mexican Americans in the past as well as today. Information: Paquita Garatea, 480.857.5542 or paquita.garatea@cgcmail.maricopa.edu
 The Aztlan to Zoot Suit: Exploring Narratives of Mexican American History & Culture learning community meets TR, 8:25-11:05A, at the Pecos Campus for a total of 6 credits.

ENG101 First-Year Composition 3
 Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG 071).

32119 C306 TR 8:25-9:40A Finley

HIS109 Mexican American History & Culture 3
 33431 C306 TR 9:50-11:05A Garatea
 Honor option also available for 33431

Drugs, Death, and Debauchery: Stories from the American Road

This course will examine the uniquely American experience of "hitting the road" through an analysis of contemporary American literature and film. In addition, the course will examine the genre of road stories and the types of experiences and alternative perspectives that being "on the road" provide, including the journey's influence on the development of the self and friendship. Information: David Finley, 480.988.8607 or david.finley@cgcmail.maricopa.edu.

The Drugs, Death, and Debauchery: Stories from the American Road learning community meets MW, 9:00-11:45A, at the Williams Campus for a total of 6 credits.

ENG101 First-Year Composition 3
 Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG 071).

32311 EGEL 105 MW 9:00-10:15A Finley

ENH255 U. S. Contemporary Literature & Film 3
 32327 EGEL 105 MW 10:30-11:45A Finley
 Honor option also available for 32327

I Sing the Body Electric: A Pre-Nursing and Healthcare Science Learning Community

This linked learning cluster continues BIO 201's discovery of the human body through an exploration of its systems including the endocrine, circulatory, lymphatic, respiratory, digestive, urinary, and reproductive. Through computer-aided laboratory experiments, selected readings (science writing, fiction, poetry, etc.), art, film and written assignments, students will explore the interconnectedness of human existence and cultural expression. We will examine specialized bodies of knowledge within both the physical and the artistic worlds to delve into the intricate workings of the body and of language. Information: Donna Thompson, 480.857.5534 or donna.thompson@cgcmail.maricopa.edu.
 The I Sing the Body Electric: A Pre-Nursing and Healthcare Science learning community meets TR, 11:15-12:30P and then 12:40-3:20P, at the Pecos Campus for a total of 7 credits.

BIO202 Human Anatomy & Physiology 4
 Prerequisites: BIO 201 with a grade of "C" or better.
 33965 TBA TR 12:40-1:55P Foureman

BIO202 Human Anatomy & Physiology Laboratory
 33967 TR 2:05- 3:20P

Co-enrollment required in ENG101 First-Year Composition (Hybrid T 11:15-12:30P)
 Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG 071).

32139 L102 T 11:15-12:30P Thompson

OR

ENG102 First-Year Composition (Hybrid R 11:15-12:30P) 3
 Prerequisites: ENG 101 with a grade of "C" or better.
 59067 TBA R 11:15-12:30P Thompson

A Model of Reality: Understanding the World Through Literature

In this learning community, which integrates Introduction to Literature (ENH110) with First-Year Composition (ENG101), we will read great works of multi-cultural literature from the perspective of adults living in a sometimes confusing world. In a very dynamic active learning environment, we will discover our personal connection to the works and use the literature to help us better understand our place in our community. Registration in both sections for a total of six credits is required with an advisor signature. Honors option is also available. Information: Patrick Williams, 480.857.5007 or patrick.williams@cgcmail.maricopa.edu.

The A Model of Reality: Understanding the World Through Literature learning community meets TR 8:25-11:05A at the Pecos Campus for a total of 6 credits.

ENG101 First-Year Composition 3
 Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG071).

32121 C207 TR 9:50-11:05A Williams

ENH110 Introduction to Literature 3
 Prerequisites: None.
 32219 C207 TR 8:25-9:40A Williams

Engineering Communication and Problem Solving I

This learning community combines Engineering Analysis Tools and Techniques (ECE 102) and First-Year Composition (ENG 101). Engineers are problem solvers. Two critical ingredients for successful problem solving are practical skills in mathematics and communication. Our goal is to introduce engineering students to problem solving and to practice integrating the engineering, mathematical, and communication skills needed to be successful. Students will design real-world projects using mathematics and engineering concepts. Students will also practice communicating the design process and results via literacy practices used in the real workplace. Specific activities will include problem solving, research, readings, writings, guest speaker(s), field trip(s), and cooperative projects. Registration in all three sections for a total of five credits is required with an advisor signature. Information: Bassam Matar, 480.732.7139 or bassam.matar@cgcmail.maricopa.edu. This Engineering Communication and Problem Solving Learning Community meets TR 1:15-4:30 for a total of 5 credits.

ECE102	Engineering Analysis Tools and Techniques	\$25	2
Prerequisites: Two years of high school algebra or MAT122 or departmental approval. Corequisites: MAT151 or MAT182 or MAT187.			
33579	C106 TR	2:40-4:30P	Matar
ENG101	First-Year Composition		3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG071).			
32471	C106 TR	1:15-2:30P	Matar

Show Me the Money! Industrial Capitalism and Human Agency

This Learning Community combines US History 1870 to Present (HIS104) and First-Year Composition (ENG101). When the United States committed itself to industrial capitalism in the late nineteenth century, an economic system was established that would have radically different consequences on an individual depending on one's class, gender, race, nationality, etc. For whom did capitalism enhance their ability to improve their lives? For whom did capitalism impose certain constraints on life? Students will gather first-hand testimony from people and organizations in our community to help us interpret the economic realities and challenges facing people today. The course culminates in a final project in which students explore their potential as citizens. Registration in both English and History sections is required with an advisor signature. Honors option is also available. Information: Dr. Paul Petrequin, 480.857.5256 or paul.petrequin@cgcmail.maricopa.edu, and Chris Schnick, 480.732.7186 or chris.schnick@cgcmail.maricopa.edu. This Industrial Capitalism and Human Agency Learning Community meets MW, 9:50-12:30P, at the Pecos Campus for a total of 6 credits.

ENG101	First-Year Composition		3
Prerequisites: Appropriate English placement test score or (a grade of "C" or better in ENG071).			
32087	L226 MW	11:15-12:30P	Schnick
HIS104	United States History 1870 to Present		3
Prerequisites: None.			
33207	L226 MW	9:50-11:05A	Petrequin

Strategies For Success With Math

Beginning college math can be challenging, especially after an absence from school. Our math and counseling instructors offer two learning communities in which students learn fundamentals of mathematics along with college success strategies geared towards learning mathematics. The learning community options include Basic Arithmetic (MAT 081) linked with College Success Strategies (AAA115) and Introductory Algebra (MAT091) linked with Study Skills Development (CPD150AB). These learning communities are designed to increase students' confidence in math while learning strategies to be successful in college. Specifically, students will learn to improve test-taking skills, word-problem solving skills through enhanced reading ability, and reduce test and math anxiety. Both learning communities REQUIRE enrollment in both a MAT and Student Success component (either AAA115 or CPD150AB) for a total of 5 credits. For more information regarding the Strategies for Success with Math learning communities, contact Maria Wise at 480.732.7157 or maria.wise@cgcmail.maricopa.edu.

This MAT081 Strategies for Success With Math Learning Community meets MTWR, 9:00-10:10A, at the Pecos Campus for a total of 5 credits.

AAA115	Study Skills Development		1
Prerequisites: None.			
32399	B147 T	9:00-10:10A	Staff
MAT081	Basic Arithmetic		4
Prerequisites: None.			
32853	B147 MWR	9:00-10:10A	Wise

This MAT091 Strategies for Success With Math Learning Community meets MTWR, 7:45-8:55A, at the Pecos Campus for a total of 5 credits.

CPD150AB	Study Skills Development		1
Prerequisites: None.			
34395	B147 T	7:45-8:55A	Staff
MAT091	Introductory Algebra		4
Prerequisites: Grade of "C" or better in MAT082, or MAT102, or equivalent or satisfactory score on District placement exam.			
32535	B147 MWR	7:45-8:55A	Quadlin

This MAT091 Strategies for Success With Math Learning Community meets MTWR, 10:15-11:25A, at the Pecos Campus for a total of 5 credits.

CPD150AB	Study Skills Development		1
Prerequisites: None.			
32089	B147 T	10:15-11:25A	Staff
MAT091	Introductory Algebra		4
Prerequisites: Grade of "C" or better in MAT082, or MAT102, or equivalent or satisfactory score on District placement exam.			
32857	B147 MWR	10:15-11:25A	Gautreau