

READING AND STUDY SKILLS (RSS)

RSS 1510A Advanced College Success Skills 3 s.h.

A course designed to develop students' skills essential for college studying. The primary focus is improving the comprehension and retention of college textbooks. Major topics include reading rate flexibility, vocabulary growth, learning style preferences, and critical reading skills. Students meet for classroom instruction, computer-aided instruction, and small group tutoring sessions to discuss and practice strategies. Open to students based on Composition and Reading Placement Test (CRPT). Grading is A, B, C, NC. Does not count toward a degree.

RSS 1510B Basic College Success Skills 3 s.h.

A course designed to acquaint and assist students in their transition to studying at the college level. Course content stresses development of skills in word recognition, vocabulary, and reading to find main ideas, supporting evidence and conclusions in college textbooks. Students meet for classroom instruction and small group tutoring sessions to discuss and practice various thinking, listening, and reading strategies to improve college performance. Open to students based on Composition and Reading Placement Test (CRPT). Grading is A, B, C, NC. Does not count toward a degree.

RSS 1510C STEM Advanced College Success Skills 4 s.h.

Develops study skills in STEM disciplines by improving comprehension and retention of textbook and lecture materials. Covers reading rate flexibility, vocabulary growth, learning style preferences, critical reading, and problem solving. Uses classroom instruction, computer-aided instruction, and small-group tutoring sessions to apply strategies, including STEM-based lecture applications. Grading: A, B, C, N/C. Does not count toward a degree.

Prereq.: ENGL 1540 and RSS 1510A.

RSS 1570 Approaches to Professional Assessments 2 s.h.

A course designed to assist students in preparation for graduate and professional-level standardized tests. Students will critically analyze the basic components of such tests. Emphasis will be placed on test requirements, test formats, guidelines for answering and scoring, and test-taking strategies.

RSS 1571 Approaches to Professional Assessments/Applications 1 s.h.

A course designed to prepare students for graduate and professional-level standardized tests. In study groups, students will critically analyze the basic components of the test for which they are preparing, including requirements, test formats, guideline for answering and scoring, and test-taking strategies, in conjunction with effective pedagogical procedures.