

YSU 1500 - Success Seminar

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 13, CRN 41887,

Credit hours: 1

Instructor

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Instructor Professional Qualifications

Master's, Business, Youngstown State University

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Course Description

1500. Success Seminar. This course helps students establish a solid foundation for success at YSU. Students learn the conventions that govern the academic community including what is expected of them and what they are responsible for, skills needed to successfully manage their academic workload, habits of mind that promote resilience, and how to understand and use degree planning tools. Students are also given opportunities to participate in a range of co-curricular activities to enrich their experience, encourage their curiosity, and promote their active engagement in all YSU has to offer. 1 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
	See Blackboard Modules		

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There is no required textbook for this course. All reading and learning materials will be provided through open#source sources, including articles, videos, and other media. These resources are included within the Blackboard course modules.

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Module 1 Setting yourself up for success: Identifying resources, technology, and connections.		Exit Slip 8/28 Making College Work for You 8/30
8/31	Aug. 31 Module 2 Knowing what is expected: Understanding syllabi, student expectations, and academic integrity. Exit Slip 9/4		Exit Slip 9/4 Your Role as a Student 9/6
9/7	Module 3 Goal setting: Setting specific goals and maintaining motivation to reach them. Exit Slip 9/11		Exit Slip 9/11 College Student Inventory 9/13
9/14	Module 4 Growth Mindset: Using growth mindset to overcome challenges.		Exit Slip 9/18 Deep Learning Experience 9/20



9/21	Module 5 Finding your Y: Exploring your sense of purpose, belonging, and community to campus.	Exit Slip 9/25 Deep Learning Experience 9/20
9/28	Module 6 Career pathways: Completing TILT professional workshop.	Exit Slip 10/2 My Career Pathway Badge 10/4
10/5	Module 7 Time management: Prioritizing tasks and creating efficient schedules.	Exit Slip 10/9 Time Management Strategies 10/11
10/12	Module 8 Test preparation: Applying strategies to prepare and reflect on exams.	Exit Slip 10/16 Reflecting on Your Approach 10/18
10/19	Module 9 Academic policies and advising: Understanding degree requirements, academic advising, and registration.	Exit Slip 10/23 Plan Ahead and Advising 10/25
10/26	Module 10 Financial literacy: Understanding budgeting, saving, and building a financial foundation by completing the Fund Your Life Workshop	Exit Slip 10/30 My Financial Journey 11/1
11/2	Module 11 Wellness: Exploring the importance of sleep, managing stress, and staying safe.	Exit Slip 11/6 Stress Reflection 11/8
11/9	Module 12 Mapping Your Next Move: Registration and spring mentoring.	Exit Slip 12/4 Mid-Year Student Assessment 12/6

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