



**LEARNING OBJECTIVES / GOALS / OUTCOMES/ LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

- To be able to:
1. select and use appropriate reading skills to comprehend textbook material
  2. select and use appropriate study skills to prepare for tests
  3. write a variety of paragraph development examples
  4. write a short expository essay and use the course handbook as a reference tool
  5. understand the basic expected standards of performance to complete post-secondary courses
  6. study in groups as well as independently

**METHODS:**

Course content will be presented through a combined lecture, demonstration, discussion and/or group activity process.

**PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT RECOGNITION (PLAR):**

Credit can be awarded for this course through PLAR                      YES \_\_\_\_\_                      NO   X  

**METHODS OF OBTAINING PLAR:**

n/a

**TEXTBOOKS, REFERENCES, MATERIALS:**

[Textbook selection varies by instructor. An example of texts for this course might be:]

*Learning for Success: Effective Strategies for Students* by Fleet, Goodchild, and Zajchowski

*Handbook for College Research* by Robert Perrin

**SUPPLIES / MATERIALS:**

n/a

**STUDENT EVALUATION:**

[An example of student evaluation for this course might be:]

Theoretical and practical tests showing mastery of skills learned.

**COURSE CONTENT:**

[Course content varies by instructor. An example of course content might be:]

Topics:

- Academic and performance expectations and goals
- Working in Groups
- A developmental approach toward vocabulary acquisition
- Speed Reading - exercises for fourteen weeks
- Reading for the topic sentence
- Strategies for a smart start
- Questioning strategies
- Organizing time
- Using the five senses for learning
- Managing the stress of being a student
- Decision making techniques
- Effective memory
- Reading for significant facts
- Learning from lectures
- Study by organizing material
- Learning from textbooks
- Identifying key words
- The expository essay
- Reading for inference
- Developing the outline
- Oral presentations
- Paragraph development
- Preparing for exams
- Quizzes, Mid-term, Essay, and Final Exam