

DVD SEMINAR COURSE DESCRIPTIONS FALL 2018

MONDAY/WEDNESDAY

Course	Description
Work Experience	Da Vinci Design offers a program in which students learn to work in local businesses in unpaid placements. The purpose of this curricular program is for students to have an opportunity for exposure to one or more work environments, to learn business etiquette, and to gain experience and skills in a professional working environment before graduating high school. The participating business organizations receive the benefit of assisting in the students' professional development.
Integrated Math 1 Support	This seminar is designed to provide consistent, additional support for Integrated Math 1 students to expand and reinforce their learning. We will work together and individually to maximize our understanding of the topics being taught in the class.
Disney Magic	Students will taking a deep look at how Disney magic is created on screen. We will be watching Disney movies and learning about how these films are made from animators who worked on them. Students will be participating in class discussions and writing a final paper at the end of the course.
Capture the Flag	Do you like to be active during seminar? Are you good at hiding things? Are you competitive? Do you like strategizing? Then, "Capture the Flag" is for you! Basically, in capture the flag, two teams hide "the flag" on their territory. Usually, the territory is made by splitting a playing area in half with cones, trees, or other markers. Your team tries to take the opponents' flag and bring it back to your territory before they find yours. To defend your flag, you can tag any opponent on your territory and send them to "jail" until they are tagged by their teammate to be set free. The first team to capture the other's flag wins the round. If the game was quick you usually switch sides, re-hide the flags, and play again. Get ready.
Da Vinci Functional Fitness	Da Vinci Functional Fitness program teaches functional and athletic movements encompassing all ten general physical skills (cardiovascular endurance, strength, stamina, flexibility, power, speed, balance, coordination, agility, accuracy). We believe in wellness for the whole being – mind, body and spirit. A vast body of research indicates that exercise is beneficial to cognitive function, which means that commitment to this fitness program can have a positive impact on teens finding their inner strength and confidence necessary for academic and emotional achievement. Our philosophy is live a healthy lifestyle by making fitness fun.
Ritmo Latino (Latin Rhythm)	Wanna be the center of attention at a party? Come learn how to move to the sounds of Bachata, Merengue and Salsa! Participation is NON-NEGOTIABLE.
Isometric Training and Calisthenics	We all need exercise, and what better way to do it than minimal-equipment strength and cardio training? Join us for jump roping, static, and dynamic exercises that will boost your energy and fitness levels!
Basketball	Shoot some hoops out on the blacktop outside. All abilities are welcome.
EL Support Seminar	The EL seminar support is meant to provide students an opportunity to receive additional help in their humanities classes. This seminar will be an inquiry based research study that provides the following: Individualized instruction and support to English and Social Science homework Differentiated reading strategy, basic writing structure, and speaking practice.
Film and Documentary	In this seminar, students watch films and documentaries that range from a variety of themes. The objective is to spur a meaningful conversation on various cultural, social, political, and economic topics.

<p>West LA College Course - Public Speaking</p> <p>*Meets from 3:00-4:25*</p>	<p><i>Course meets transfer requirements for all Cal State and U.C. campuses, as well as most private colleges and universities. And it's free!</i></p> <p>Provides instruction as well as experience in the preparation and delivery of speeches within a public setting and group discussion.</p> <p>Emphasis on research, preparation, delivery and evaluation of informative, persuasive, and special occasion public speaking. Upon completion, students should be able to prepare and deliver well-organized speeches with appropriate audio visual support, participate in group discussions and constructively critique each other. Students should also demonstrate the speaking, listening, and interpersonal skills necessary to be effective communicators in an academic setting, the workplace, and in the community.</p>
<p>El Camino College Course - Ethnic Studies 1</p> <p>*Meets from 3:00-4:25*</p>	<p>Introduction to Ethnic Studies, 3 units Transfer CSU, UC. Recommended Preparation: eligibility for English 1A. This course provides a multidisciplinary introduction and analysis of ethnic groups in the United States. Various theories and perspectives will be examined to better comprehend the effects of institutional racism, marginalization, socio-economic and political discrimination, and ethnocentrism on American ethnic and racial groups.</p>
<p>Chicano Studies in the Arts</p>	<p>The class focuses on Chicano studies with an emphasis on the arts. We would look at the Latino experience in the United States through the gaze of painting, film, comics, music, literature and various other avenues.</p>
<p>Aang and the Four Elements</p>	<p>Long ago, the four nations lived together in harmony. Then everything changed when the Fire Nation attacked. Only the Avatar, master of all four elements.... Can you finish this statement? If you can, then maybe you are ready for this! Through the viewing, exploring and analyzing of the hit series Avatar the Last Airbender, students will make connections between the fictional and non-fictional.</p>
<p>Cake Decorating</p>	<p><i>*This class is not about eating cake*</i> Students will learn the art of cake decorating using buttercream, royal icing, chocolate and fondant. Students will learn different techniques for making borders, flowers, writing and figure modeling. Students will also learn how to make various types of frosting and filling. Students are required to bring a real cake for a midterm, and final.</p>
<p>Rock Band</p>	<p>In "Rock Band," students ranging from absolute beginners to budding rock stars, will be provided group instruction on the various instruments comprising the modern rock band-guitar, bass, drums, vocals, and keyboards. Students will garner and understanding of basic music theory and technique, as well as participate in regular classroom and public performance showcases.</p>
<p>MakerSpace</p>	<p>Students have opportunity to make or take apart virtually whatever can fit in the Fab-Lab. They have access to a wide variety of tools including a laser cutter & 3D printer.</p>

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Art Exposed	Beautify the first floor! We will curate the display case for Da Vinci Design, Communication, and Science. We will also design and install installation art on the first floor. The grand finale of the seminar is a student organized art show and student concert. Throughout the semester we will study various artists and explore their artistic methods. We will also bring in visiting artists for inspirational share sessions. If you are creative and passionate about art this is the seminar for you.
Yearbook	Students in this seminar will be responsible for creating the 2018-19 DVD Yearbook. This will be a year-long seminar, and students should plan to take this seminar for both semesters this year. Students must apply to be part of the yearbook seminar. If you have not done so already, please log on to the Google Classroom for Yearbook (use the code 7p3px3a) and complete the first assignment, which is completing a yearbook application. All applications must be completed by Friday, August 17th. You can also stop by Mr. White's room to pick up an application.
Fun Run	For beginning runners who want to start a new, healthy habit in a fun and relaxed environment. We'll go on a run each seminar day, slowly building up our stamina together and charting our growth each week. We'll finish out the semester by running a 5K together!
Integrated Math 2 Support	This is a space for students to get extra help for integrated math 2.
Integrated Math 3 Support	Do you need extra help with upper-level math? Do you want a space to work on your homework and get extra practice? Would you like FREE one-on-one tutoring for more difficult concepts? If so, sign up for Math Support IM3+! You will get to do all those things and more.
Dance Team	This seminar offers a healthy, fun, energetic way to express yourself and let off some steam! It will boost your confidence, and you'll be part of a team of skilled performers. Be prepared to perform at CD and other community events! Bring water and clothes you can move in.
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Marine Biology	Highly interactive class about marine ecosystems and how to carry out scientific investigations of the coastal waters surrounding Los Angeles. At the end of the semester, students will be able to go on a boat trip led by trained marine science professionals, that gives students the chance to become a Marine Biologist for the day and to carry out scientific tests in Marina del Rey's marina and out in the open ocean. This class hopes to raise awareness about the value of ocean resources, threats to ocean health and solutions to these problems.
Knitting	Do you hate being bored? Do you need something portable to do? Try knitting! Learn the intricacies of making your own washcloths, outerwear, and more with just yarn, needles, and your hands.

Current Events	This seminar is designed to provide students with the opportunity to discuss, understand, and explore local, national, international, political, economic and social issues in a respectful, meaningful, and active way. Throughout the seminar, students will stay up to date on current issues and trends. Since we will be looking at “current” events, topics will vary considerably depending on the current news cycle. This seminar will draw upon a variety of sources including newspapers, online media, cartoons, and newscasts to support discussion. Students will be challenged to formulate and defend their opinions on many different issues.
Futsal 101	Futsal is played between two teams of five players each, one of whom is the goalkeeper. Unlimited substitutions are permitted. Unlike some other forms of indoor football, the game is played on a hard court surface delimited by lines; walls or boards are not used. Futsal is also played with a smaller, harder, low-bounce ball.[2] The surface, ball, and rules together favour ball control and passing in small spaces.[3] Location: Black Top (basketball court)
Study Hall	A quiet space to study and work on projects, classwork, homework, etc. Any students disrupting the environment or not using the space as intended will be removed.
Astronomy	Interested in how the universe was created? Want to learn what an astronomer does? This seminar is designed for anyone interested and curious about the universe! Throughout this course we will study the history of how the universe was created and how to measure the small differences that we see in the night sky. Students are expected to keep a notebook with journals of their observations and data.
Senior Seminar	In the Senior Seminar, 12th grade students will be able to use the seminar time for additional college applications work time, one on one meetings with counselors, and support for personal statements and college prompts. This is a seminar dedicated to students who need additional support that otherwise would be difficult to achieve outside of school campus. This seminar will be selective and only for serious 12th grade students who need assistance.
Art Appreciation	This seminar is designed to acquaint the students with the greatest achievements of world painting, with works that have inspired people of all cultures throughout time. Art Appreciation will encourage students to question the nature of art and its relevance to daily life. We will look at art, analyze/talk/write about art.
Screen Printing	We will be learning how to screen print. The seminar will cover how to make a home setup, how to screen print, screen printing on paper and screen printing on t-shirts. Students will create original artwork based on a theme provided.
Senior Math Support	Seniors can enroll in this class to receive additional support and work time for Calculus, Precalculus and Math Explorations.
Archery	In the seminar you will learn how to participate in Archery. The fundamentals of archery and how to use and care for equipment, basic safety, techniques and fundamentals of shooting but best of all have fun.
Music Production	"Music Production" is a seminar where students with no prior musical experience can acquire a basic musical understanding, and generate original music for commercials, soundtracks, and songs. More advanced students will have access to Apple Logic Pro X, a Digital Audio Workstation (DAW) widely used by professionals in the audio recording, television, and film industries.

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