

**Northwest Arkansas Community College**  
(Social & Behavioral Sciences Division)

**Discipline Code**

PSYC

**Course Number**

1001

**Course Title**

College Success

**Catalog Description**

A first-year "student success" course, this class will be taught with both an online component and classroom activities. The course is designed to help students successfully navigate the college experience. Topics related to exploring campus resources; career/degree planning; developing time management & study skill strategies; diversity & cultural awareness; civic & community engagement; health & wellbeing will be explored. Additionally, this class will seek to foster the development of successful communication & leadership skills to benefit students in their education and their careers. This course is open to all first-year college students. Students who are undecided and/or first-gen are strongly encouraged to enroll.

**Prerequisites/Co-requisites**

N/A

**Credit Hours**

1

**Contact hours**

15

**Load hours**

1

**Semesters Offered**

Fall, Spring

**ACTS Equivalent**

N/A

**Grade Mode**

A-F

## **Learning Outcomes**

Students completing this course will be able to:

- Describe of the “culture of the college.”
- Identify their interests, learning styles, and career opportunities
- Clearly articulate a pathway toward their goal/s and develop strategies to reach their goals.
- Employ strategies to enhance their time management skills.
- Elevate their study skills.
- Use the writing process and demonstrate improved writing skills.
- Give oral presentations with more skill and confidence.
- Locate and evaluate information sources and the information within.
- Use campus technology resources such as Canvas, MyNWACC Connection, NWACC email, and various other academic support and communication tools.
- Identify and use tools and resources available to them on our campus.
- Analyze information objectively and make reasoned judgments.

## **General Education Outcomes Supported**

- Students develop higher order thinking skills.
- Students can write clear, coherent, well-organized documents, which are substantially free of errors.
- Students develop effective oral communication skills.
- Students demonstrate information literacy.

## **Standard Practices**

### **Topics list**

- College Culture
- Career/Degree planning
- Setting Goals
- Developing Time Management
- Study Skill Strategies
- Diversity & Cultural Awareness
- Civic & Community Engagement
- Health & Wellbeing
- Communication & Leadership skills
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Educational Technology
- Campus Resources
- Other Topics Based on Student Need