FYHN - First-Year Seminar HN

Courses numbered 100 to 299 = lower-division; 300 to 499 = upper-division; 500 to 799 = undergraduate/graduate.

FYHN 102. First Year Seminar - Honors (3).

The First-Year Seminar course is an introduction to the university as well as to general education at Wichita State University. Expect to explore a broad topic from a variety of different disciplinary perspectives as well as join a community of academic learners whose responsibility it is to ask questions, explore and exchange ideas, and become effective critical thinkers. Additionally, students have the opportunity to engage with fellow students and WSU faculty and staff by participating in activities aimed to further connect them to WSU. Students enroll in the lettered courses (e.g. 102A, 102B) with specific topics in the titles rather than in this root course. FYHN specifically fulfills an honors seminar requirement. Prerequisite(s): honors student or permission of the Cohen Honors College.

FYHN 102A. First-Year Seminar: Election 2020 (3).

General education social and behavioral sciences course. Examines current presidential and congressional elections as examples of democracy and citizen engagement. Studies the election from the perspective of political science scholarship, and from the perspective of citizen involvement. Students learn how the contemporary election process functions, why it matters, and consider what the results mean for the United States and the broader world. Topic is the foundation for engagement with the learning environment of Wichita State University, the community in which we live and the journey toward graduation and personal development. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024. Prerequisite(s): honors student or permission of the Cohen Honors College.

FYHN 102C. First-Year Seminar: Creative Discovery (3).

General education fine arts course. Based on the concept that all humans are creative beings who are involved in the creative process. Explores this concept through creative exercises inspired by the core text, Discovering the Creative Impulse by Harold Popp. Students review creative processes and products with an eye to the uniqueness of human needs, drives and activities. Diverse perspectives are integral to the creative endeavor not only in art and in science, but across disciplines, cultures, ages and experiences. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024. Course includes diversity content. Prerequisite(s): honors student or permission of the Cohen Honors College.

FYHN 102D. First-Year Seminar: Discovering Humanity (3).

General education humanities course. Devoted to discovering humanity by placing personal and fictional narratives about justice, anger and identity in dialogue with classic texts and historical contexts. Students begin and end the semester by writing a personal statement and, throughout the semester, engage in service learning, library research, and various strategies for academic success. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024. Course includes diversity content. Prerequisite(s): honors student or permission of the Cohen Honors College.

FYHN 102E. First-Year Seminar: Me and My Place in the World (3).

General education social and behavioral sciences course. Cross-listed as FYPS 102E. Invites students to explore their own roots and the experiences that have shaped who they are today. Students engage with others who have different stories from their own and examine shared interests and concerns about issues facing the world today. Students consider how they can make a difference locally and globally. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024. Course includes diversity content.

FYHN 102F. First-Year Seminar: Facts, Opinions and Why They Both Matter (3).

General education humanities course. Cross-listed as FYHS 102AE. By learning to critically read contemporary news headlines and articles, this first-year seminar course provides a path for students to explore the factors that influence the formation of one's "opinions" and the ways in which "facts" can be used to support them. Students strengthen their ability to empathize with people who hold opinions different than their own and engage in substantive, informed and respectful discussions about these differences. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024. Students may receive credit for only one of the following courses: FYHS 102AE, FYHN 102F, HIST 319 or HNRS 305N.

FYHN 102G. First-Year Seminar: Food, Culture and Privilege (3).

General education social and behavioral sciences course. Examines food, culture and privilege in the United States. Includes exploration of where food and beverages come from, how they are produced and by whom, and what they mean to consumers. Gives special attention to 1) industrialized food production and distribution and its environmental and human impact, and 2) privilege related to consumption. Course format includes minimal lecture and maximum discussion from a variety of print and visual media. An eclectic collection of readings is selected from a broad range of scholarly and popular sources designed to enlighten and provoke discussion about what Americans eat and why. Warning: this course may be triggering for students in therapy for or healing from eating disorders and/or disordered eating. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024.

FYHN 102I. First Year Seminar: Community and Cultural Connections (3).

General education social and behavioral sciences course. Assists students in becoming acclimated to the college environment socially and academically, while also providing information on university policies and resources. Within the context of building student success skills, students explore the city of Wichita, the campus and surrounding communities to assist them with gaining a better understanding of the community-at-large and its relationship with the university. The goal of the course is to empower students with an understanding of how urban institutions and local communities are reciprocal stakeholders and share the civic and reciprocal responsibility of empowering one another, while assisting students with understanding how to better engage in this conjoined relationship both as current students and potential future citizens of this community or similar communities elsewhere. First-Year Seminars do not meet a divisional requirement in the pre-Fall 2024 WSU General Education program, and can only be used in Bucket 7 for General Education starting Fall 2024. Course includes diversity content.