Northwestern Connecticut Community College COURSE SYLLABUS

Course title: College Forum

Course #: COL 100

Course description: 1 semester hour

This College Forum course introduces strategies and skills for success at NCCC and beyond, within a listed discipline. Students will learn how to be proactive in their educational pursuits and how to access a broad range of support services that are available. This one credit class will help students navigate college and ultimately achieve their goals. Students will also develop basic computer skills including email, word processing, and web navigation through the use of Blackboard.

Prerequisite: Eligibility for ENG 096

Goals: The ultimate goal of this course is to prepare students for success in college-level discipline-specific classes by developing a strong background in basic essential concepts and by developing fundamental college level study skills.

Outcomes: At the conclusion of the course the student will be able to:

- Critically evaluate print and electronic information for its currency, relevancy, authority, accuracy and purpose.
- Describe what they think college will be like and compare these things to the expectations of the university community.
- Describe expectations of expected degree program and develop a realistic plan for achieving their academic goals.
- Use written and oral communication to discover, develop, and articulate ideas and viewpoints.
- Examine challenges to achieving their goals (management of time, finances and other circumstances) and develop a plan to overcome personal challenges.
- Construct a plan for a successful path into and through completion of a degree or certificate program and beyond.