# COUN 208: PATHWAYS IN CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

#### **Citrus College Course Outline of Record**

Heading	Value
Effective Term:	Fall 2020
Credits:	3
Total Contact Hours:	54
Lecture Hours :	54
Lab Hours:	0
Hours Arranged:	0
Outside of Class Hours:	108
Transferable to CSU:	Yes
Transferable to UC:	No
Grading Method:	Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

#### **Catalog Course Description**

A survey of Citrus College career and technical education programs and post-secondary education in California. A survey of career and education programs which will explore career opportunities and discuss career evaluation. The course explores the options and techniques for creating a unique resume, discusses interview strategies, and includes development of a personal education plan. Other topics include self-evaluation, decision-making, goal setting, time and financial management. 54 lecture hours.

#### **Course Objectives**

- Compare and contrast personality characteristics and their application to CTE career choices and success.
- Explore the academic and career planning resources available at Citrus College
- Identify and analyze psychological and sociological influences on education, career, and personal decision-making.
- Explore the employment interview process specific to industrial technology careers and demonstrate skill in a mock interview.
- Analyze technical skills, interests, experience, and values and their application in developing an effective resume and cover letter specific to CTE careers.
- Identify decision-making processes and how such processes are used for career, education, and personal development.
- · Analyze how personal values integrate into career and life decisions.
- · Explore elements of financial planning and budgeting.

#### **Major Course Content**

- 1. Envisioning Your Future
- Your Personal Profile Career Technical Education Personality and Values Match?
- 3. Budgeting Activities What Cost This Lifestyle?
- 4. Money Isn't Everything Chapter Five Your Ideal Career
- 5. Career Research Matching Work Styles to Jobs
- 6. Decision Making Identifying Career Choices and Options

- 7. Setting Goals and Objectives
- 8. Avoiding Detours and Roadblocks
- 9. Attitude is Everything Appreciative Inquiry
- 10. Your Skills Inventory
- 11. Beginning the Job Search Resumes and Cover Letters
- 12. The CTE Interview and Interview Techniques
- 13. Study Skills for the Lifelong Learner
- 14. Citrus College DegreeWorks

# Examples of Required Writing Assignments

Students will research information related to their field of interest. A 3-5 page paper will be assigned where they will discuss their field of study, job outlook, and the education and skills needed in the field.

## **Examples of Outside Assignments**

Informational Interview Assignment: Summarize results of informational interviews and evaluate in relationship to your chosen CTE Career.

## **Instruction Type(s)**

Lecture, Online Education Lecture