# COUN 209: PATHWAYS TO CAREERS IN COMMUNICATION, LITERATURE AND LANGUAGES

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

Heading	Value
Effective Term:	Fall 2024
Credits:	3
Total Contact Hours:	54
Lecture Hours :	54
Lab Hours:	0
Hours Arranged:	0
Outside of Class Hours:	108
Total Student Learning Hours:	162
Strongly Recommended:	ENGL 101.
Transferable to CSU:	Yes
Transferable to UC:	No
Grading Method:	Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

## **Catalog Course Description**

This course will familiarize students with the Communication, Literature, and Language programs at Citrus College and will also cover requirements for transfer into baccalaureate level majors. Important aspects of Communication, Literature and Language majors as an occupational choice will be covered as well as specific study strategies and resources available to promote student success. 54 lecture hours.

### **Course Objectives**

- Formulate a detailed educational plan based on declared academic program
- Describe the admissions requirements and selection criteria for transfer
- Describe the prerequisite, major preparation and general education requirements for transfer into a CSU/UC
- Identify how knowledge of abilities, interests, personality, and values impact one's career goal
- Research and summarize different levels of education and specialization options within the CLL professions/fields
- Conduct occupational research on potential CLL career fields and local and national job opportunities

### **Major Course Content**

- 1. Educational Planning
  - a. Degree requirements
    - i. Associate degree for transfer requirements
    - ii. A degree with a guarantee
    - iii. Minimum eligibility requirements
    - iv. General education pathways
      - 1. Local degree, IGETC, CSUGE
    - v. Additional major prep

- b. Transfer admissions
  - i. Minimum eligibility requirements and admission criteria

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- ii. Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)
- iii. C-ID numbers and how to reference courses
- iv. Lower division major prep and timelines for applying for transfer and specific majors.

#### 2. Career Planning

- a. Explore/research career resources
- b. Research specific careers for an assigned area of interest in CLL
- c. Informational interview with a person employed in a CLL occupation
- d. Research salary and growth projections for CLL jobs
- e. Research geographical options and limitations for CLL occupations
- f. Learn about summer programs/internships and part time job opportunities to gain experience in CLL
- 3. Resources
  - a. Campus Resources
    - i. AAC, SI, Math lab
    - ii. Faculty and office hours
    - iii. Library
    - iv. Financial aid/scholarships
    - v. Counseling
    - vi. Student clubs
  - b. Other resources
    - i. Identify, evaluate and improve study and learning habits
    - ii. Strengthen personal resources and support systems
- 4. Introduction to Communications, Literature, Languages
  - a. Communications
  - b. Communication Studies
  - c. English
  - d. English Literature
  - e. Journalism
  - f. Liberal Arts Humanities
  - g. Public Relations
  - h. Spanish

# Suggested Reading Other Than Required Textbook

Handouts and articles will be provided in class by the instructor.

# Examples of Required Writing Assignments

Students will be required to research a particular CLL professional pathway and write a report (3-5 pages) with information related to the career, income potential, any geographical limitations, and education pathways to achieve the occupational position. Students will be required to present the information to the class.

## **Examples of Outside Assignments**

Students will be required to attend one office hour of a CLL faculty and write a summary of the interaction and topics covered during the office visit.

## **Instruction Type(s)**

Lecture, Online Education Lecture