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Buffalo Study Groups

----------------------------------------Mondays----------------------------------------

Creative Expression and Development - with Susan Forbes and Jacqui Berger  4 cr     with Jacqui Berger
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Buffalo  Mondays  6 pm - 9 pm  3/19/07...4/2/07...4/16/07...5/14/07...6/4/07...6/18/07

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India Study Group  4 cr     with Marilyn Gwaltney
spaces avail.: 8 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Other World Civilizations - fully

Buffalo  Mondays  6 pm - 8 pm  3/19/07...4/2/07...4/16/07...4/30/07...5/14/07...5/28/07...6/18/07...6/25/07

This is a beginning study of India offered as a study group with both face-to-face meetings as well as online work in the ANGEL course management system. Students will learn the basic historical, cultural and geographical outlines of India as background to understanding current Indian culture, which will be explored in novels and films along with the basic texts, India by Stanley Wolpert, and India Unveiled, 5th edition, 2006, by Robert Arnet, ISBN 0965290042. Local cultural events will be attended as available. The online portion of this study group uses the ANGEL course management system. Go to MyESC, click on the Online Studies tab, then click on the Access your online Course Link.

----------------------------------------Tuesdays----------------------------------------

Introduction to Arts Management  4 cr     with Susan Forbes
spaces avail.: 12 Intro/Non-Liberal

Buffalo  Tuesdays  6 pm - 8 pm  3/20/07...4/10/07...5/1/07...5/22/07...6/12/07...6/26/07

This study explores the challenges and techniques of managing arts organizations. Students will develop a general understanding of the practices of organizing, planning, leading and controlling for arts managers. Approaches include an historical context of arts management and the critical analysis of the issues of public and private funding, grant writing and the not-for-profit corporate structure. Comparison of organizational structures for different visual and performing arts will be addressed. Students will gain the understanding of the theories behind management techniques, strategic planning, marketing principles, leadership style, organizational structure, economics and financial management, as well as develop an awareness of the cultural and social environments that affect arts organizations. Students will create a fictional non profit arts organization as a framework for practical projects which may include: an organizational design, a strategic plan, a comprehensive budget, a marketing proposal, a fund raising campaign, writing a grant, a community education/outreach program, human resources policies and procedures, the recruitment/training of a volunteer corps, and the recruitment and training/development of an effective board of trustees.

Introduction to Literature  4 cr     with Regina Grol
spaces avail.: 7 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Humanities - fully

Buffalo  Tuesdays  5:45 pm - 7:00 pm  3/20/07...3/27/07...4/3/07...4/10/07...4/17/07...4/24/07

The study group will entail discussion of select short stories, poems, and plays. We shall examine each text closely and attempt to determine the insights into human nature it offers as well as the literary devices employed by the author to convey these insights. The principal textbook will be The Norton Introduction to Literature (Shorter Eighth Edition), ISBN 0-393-97743-9, available from the Empire State College Bookstore, stock #004981 ($61.75). This study meets the general education requirement in Humanities.
**Introduction to Philosophy - Online 4 cr with Marilyn Gwaltney**
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**Organizational Behavior 4 cr with Jerry Bream**
spaces avail.: 9 Adv./Liberal
Buffalo Wednesdays 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm 3/21/07,4/4/07,4/18/07,5/2/07,5/16/07

Students will learn about the structure and processes of organizations, various aspects of human behavior in the workplace, the dynamics of groups, leadership, power, conflict and change mechanisms, all within the framework of historical perspectives and conceptual models. The focus will also include international aspects of organizational behavior. Regular written assignments, oral reports, and library research are required. Text: Behavior in Organizations: Understanding and Managing the Human Side of Work, eighth edition, Greenberg and Baron, Prentice Hall, ISBN 0-13-066491-X.

**Spanish I 4 cr with Hilda Ramos**
spaces avail.: 1 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Foreign Language - fully
Buffalo Wednesdays 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm 4/11/07...5/2/07...5/9/07...5/16/07...5/23/07...5/30/07...6/6/07...6/13/07...6/20/07

This study will introduce students to the Spanish language and culture. Students will gain a basic level of comprehension and speaking ability through vocabulary, speaking and listening activities and discussions of grammatical structures being studied. We will learn about various themes such as greetings, personal information, hobbies, food, travel and more. Students should come to the study group prepared every week with the assignment completed. Every meeting is very important. Additional practice sessions may be required. This study group meets the general education requirement in Foreign Language.

**Introduction to Ethics Study Group 4 cr with Marilyn Gwaltney**
spaces avail.: 11 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Humanities - fully Critical Thinking - fully
Buffalo Thursdays 6 pm - 8 pm 3/29/07...4/12/07...4/26/07...5/17/07...6/7/07...6/21/07

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**Introduction to Theatre 4 cr with Susan Forbes**
spaces avail.: 11 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in The Arts - fully
Buffalo Thursdays 6 pm - 8 pm 3/22/07...4/5/07...5/3/07...5/24/07...6/14/07...6/28/07

Theatre is a collaborative art form which utilizes a variety of media for artists to express themselves. This study examines those various media and provides a means for understanding the creative process through the application of theory to class projects and explorations. Students will examine the various approaches used by theatrical artists to communicate in performance. The study explores topics such
Perspectives in Psychology 4 cr  with Lorraine Peeler

spaces avail.: 8  Intro and Adv./Liberal  fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Social Sciences - fully

Buffalo  Thursdays  6 pm - 8 pm  4/5/07,4/26/07,5/10/07,5/24/07,6/7/07,6/21/07

This study group is designed to meet your needs from two main perspectives: (1) as a general education requirement in the social sciences and (2) as a foundational study for the student in human development, community and human services or a discipline where overview to psychology is necessary. This study in psychology will give you an overview of the world of psychology, connect psychology to the real world, introduce more current topics in research and assist you in becoming a critical thinker and writing in the human services. It can be taken as introductory or advanced. The primary text is Psychology: Concepts and Connections, version 8th edition by Spencer A. Rathus and will be available at the ESC Bookstore.

Business Ethics Study Group 4 cr  with Marilyn Gwaltney

spaces avail.: 10  Adv./Liberal  fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Humanities - fully

Buffalo  Saturdays  11:30 am - 1:30 pm  3/24/07...4/7/07...4/21/07...5/5/07...5/19/07...6/2/07...6/16/07

Students will study the ethical issues involved in business. Students will learn to think philosophically about these issues. Students should have a solid background in business before taking this study. Prior study of economics and a business course using case studies is helpful. This study of business ethics is designed for the purpose of helping students to develop an understanding of moral reasoning in general and applying that understanding to moral problems in business. Students will be expected to do participate in online discussion, study group discussion, case studies and a final research paper. The text for this study is Business Ethics: Concepts and Cases, 6th edition by Manuel G. Velasquez which is available at the Empire State College Bookstore http://www.esc.edu/bookstore This study will take place as an online study group via the ANGEL course management system as well as a face-to-face study group that meets at the Buffalo Center. Go to MyESC, click on the Online Studies tab, then click on the Access your online Course Link.

The Americas Before Columbus 4 cr  with Anne Garner

spaces avail.: 5  Intro/Liberal  fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Other World Civilizations - fully

Buffalo  Saturdays  10:00 am - 11:30 am  4/7/07...4/21/07...5/5/07...5/19/07...6/2/07...6/16/07

When Columbus sailed west in 1492, many societies were flourishing in the Americas. Through the lens of city planning, technology, the arts, political traditions and indigenous literacy, we will look at examples of civilizations such as Inca, Aztec, Mayan, etc. which rivaled those of Renaissance Europe. This will refute the popular belief that the Americas were a pristine and primitive wilderness prior to European contact. The survival of Native American lifestyles and belief systems will be discussed, and a take-home exam and a research paper of 7-8 pages will be required. At the final meeting, students will present their research papers for group discussion. To prepare for the first meeting, read the Introduction and Part I of 1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus.

Meeting dates/ times/ locations not yet published

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**Human Resources Management 4 cr with Jerry Bream**
spaces avail.: 12 Adv./Non-Liberal

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**Introduction to Ethics Online Course 4 cr with Marilyn Gwaltney**
spaces avail.: 15 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Humanities - fully Critical Thinking - fully

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**Introduction to Philosophy Study Group 4 cr with Marilyn Gwaltney**
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Fredonia Study Groups

**Wednesdays**

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**Spanish I (Fredonia) 4 cr with Karen Olson**
spaces avail.: 20 Intro/Liberal fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Foreign Language - fully
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**Jamestown Study Groups**

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**Wednesdays**

**Introduction to Philosophy - Online** 4 cr with Marilyn Gwaltney  
spaces avail.: 14 Intro/Liberal  
fulfills SUNY gen. ed. req in Humanities - fully  
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