Learning Skills

The Learning Skills program offers skills courses for students with learning disabilities.

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Courses

LRNS 40: Educational Planning and Assessment
Units: .5
Prerequisites: None
Lecture 0.50 hour.
Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This course is designed for students who have a suspected learning disability. A learning disabilities specialist evaluates the student's learning strengths, weaknesses, and styles with a goal toward establishing appropriate educational objectives and improved academic performance. Initial and follow-up instruction strengthen the student's understanding of results and applications of their learning disabilities. Offered pass/no pass only.

LRNS 42: Strategies Designed for Students with Learning Disabilities: Mathematics
Units: 3
Prerequisites: None
Lecture 3 hours.
Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This is a self-paced course designed for students with learning disabilities. Students receive instruction in mathematics as prescribed by individualized plans. The course emphasizes visual and auditory processing skills through work in mathematics plus compensatory techniques. Additional areas of study include self-advocacy and learning strategies.

LRNS 46: English Essentials Designed for Students with Learning Disabilities
Units: 3
Prerequisites: None
Lecture 3 hours.
Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This course prepares students to write clear and organized sentences, paragraphs, and essays. Students review basic principles of grammar and usage and learn to identify and apply knowledge of main ideas and supporting details in their reading and writing. They also utilize study strategies to enhance learning in classes incorporating written language. The course focuses on individual learning and compensatory techniques and incorporates self-advocacy, disability-management, and learning strategies. This course is designed for students with learning disabilities.