

CONNECTING WITH IDEAS (CWI)

CWI 101 Connecting With Ideas

(3 Credits, Fall/Spring/Summer)

This course is designed to help students become engaged members of the academic community at College of Western Idaho and cultivate the habits of mind for lifelong achievement and success. It encourages students to claim their education through learning how to learn. By linking critical and creative thinking with writing and discussion, students will explore thematic content in an effort to develop their own perspectives on learning and success. The course addresses academic expectations and strategies, college resources and services, as well as personal responsibility and engagement in an effort to prepare students for navigating college life and life beyond college. Although this course offers multiple themes of study, it may only be taken once for credit. *(This CWI course meets the institutional competency requirements for Connecting with Ideas.)* (3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, 3 credits)

CWI 281 Introduction to Tutoring and Mentoring

(3 Credits, Fall)

This course prepares students for tutoring and mentoring positions at CWI and other institutions by introducing and practicing concepts of learning theories in academic support services, peer mentoring, communication styles, tutoring pedagogy, tutoring best practices, course document analysis, professional ethics, resource management, and administrative practices. Students who complete the course may be eligible to earn a College Reading & Learning Association (CRLA) Tutoring Level 1 Certification. NOTE: To earn a CRLA Level 1 Certificate, students must be hired by CWI Tutoring Services or partner CRLA certifying organization and complete 6 hours of synchronous training and 25 hours of qualifying tutoring. PREREQ: CWI 101, ENGL 101, or PERM/INST. (3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, 3 credits)

CWI 290 General Studies Capstone

(1 Credit, Fall/Spring/Summer)

This course serves as a capstone experience for the General Studies degree. Students will reflect on learning through discussion and writing and make plans for their future studies. Students should take this course in their final semester. PRE/COREQ: Any course from the General Studies Research and Writing course list or PERM/INST. (0 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, 1 credits)

Refer to [How to Read Course Descriptions](#) for an explanation of elements found in the course descriptions above.