

# First Year Seminar: Fall 2018 Courses by Category

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## ART/MUSIC/FILM/FOOD/POPULAR CULTURE

CODE	TITLE	COMMENTS
AR	Street Art and Its Impact	Examines the social, political, ethical, economic, and environmental issues around “street art” or “graffiti.”
BY	Dinosaurs and DNA: Biology in the Movies	Introduces the basics of genetics and relates the knowledge to popular films.
CO	Bueller?...Bueller?...Bueller?...John Hughes and Your First Year	Students will become familiar with the major theories of the screen arts through the films of John Hughes (Sixteen Candles, Pretty in Pink, Ferris Bueller’s Day Off, The Breakfast Club, etc).
CO	Hollywood’s Journalism: The Image of Journalists and Journalism in Popular	Explore how journalists [public relations/publicists] have been depicted in films ranging from the 1920s to the present.
CO	Food, Communication, Culture and Performance	How food communicates personal identity, cultures and politics through stories, advertising, cooking shows, and cookbooks; conversations, demonstrations and performances; and through preparing, sharing, and eating food.
CO	Mass Media and Popular Culture	How popular culture impacts society and values.
CO	Diversity and Life Through the World of Baseball and Film	Discusses the impact of baseball throughout the years in history and in film.
ST	Political Communication and the Midterm Elections	Look at the practices and history of political campaign communication with a particular focus on the 2018 midterm elections.
EN	Neverlands: Children's Literature of the Golden Age	Read some of the most beloved texts written for children in order to understand the diverse ways children have been represented thru history.
EN	The Detective Story: It's Elementary	This course will explore the detective story, focusing on the amateur detective, the professional private investigator, and the police and what's behind our obsession with solving mysteries.
EN	The Story of the Book	Explores our rich and diverse print culture, from ancient clay tablets and Medieval manuscripts to current day novels and e-books.
FO	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Explore language through pop culture: music, poetry, film, social media and news reports.
FO	Caribbean Voices: Language, Culture and Identity	Explores Caribbean culture through art, music, literature, and film.
HE	Addiction in Popular Movies	History of addiction as portrayed in popular movies. Students will write papers and discuss various types of addictions, the personality of the addict, treatment modalities along with legal, historical and ethical issues.
HS	Battleground USA: God, Country and Family	Examine social issues and historical contexts of culture war in America.
HS	History and Hollywood	The relationship between film and history in the U.S.
HS	The Beatles	Explores the historical and cultural aspects of the rise of the Beatles in Europe and across the United States.
HS	A Journey to St. Petersburg, Russia: A City of Transformations	Russia is in the news daily. This course will focus on the history, literature, architecture, art, music, and film of one of its major cities.
IS	American Beauty to True Blood: Drama of Alan Ball	Alan Ball’s plays, films and television series grapple with conformity and the American Dream. He looks at stereotypes of family relationships, gender, sexual orientation, and the status quo.
ST	Who's In Your Selfie?	Looks at connections to family, friends, professors and others and how they help with coping skills and goal setting.
ST	Cultures of Consumption: Communication, Identity, and Practices of Consumption	Looks at ‘stuff’ in our lives: purchases, tv, music & social media, and how it shapes who we are.
ST	What's Your Game Plan?	We've all played games but have you ever analyzed them and their strategies? Explore game theory and mathematical modeling to explore these strategies both in gaming and in other aspects of life.
SW	Is Anybody Out There?: Mental Health, Artistic Expression & Audience	Looks at the relationship between mental health, creativity and expression.
TH	Arts at Monmouth University	Explores the various artistic offerings at Monmouth University.

## BUSINESS & CAREERS

CODE	TITLE	COMMENTS
BA	Personal Finance	Discover the history of money, credit, and finance and learn how to manage your own finances.
BM	From Our Classroom to Your Boardroom: Necessary Business Skills	Introduces various topics in business with an emphasis on entrepreneurship.
CE	Sustainable Energy	Business and transportation industries are impacted by energy prices & supplies.
CO	Bueller?...Bueller?...Bueller?...John Hughes and Your First Year	Students will become familiar with the major theories of the screen arts through the films of John Hughes (Sixteen Candles, Pretty in Pink, Ferris Bueller's Day Off, The Breakfast Club, etc).
CO	Hollywood's Journalism: The Images of Journalist & Journalism on Popular Culture	Explore how journalists [public relations/publicists] have been depicted in films ranging from the 1920s to the present.
CS	The Diversity Divide: Technology	Explore the diversity of people working in the computer and engineering fields, and which factors have encouraged some to pursue these professions while excluding others.
EN	The Working World: College and Transition	What is work? How does it fit into our overall goals? What do certain literary works tell us about work, class, labor, and college life?
EN	The Story of the Book	Explores our rich and diverse print culture, from ancient clay tablets and Medieval manuscripts to current day novels and e-books.
FS	Gain a Competitive Advantage: Learn about Hispanics in Business	Gain an important understanding of Hispanics in business that will help in your future career through a globalized and multicultural perspective.
FS	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Explore language through pop culture: music, poetry, film, social media and news reports.
IS	Humans and the Environment [must be taken as part of cluster]	Students will think about ethical issues in human relationships with animals and the environment from a humanities perspective.
ST	Cultures of Consumption: Communication, Identity, and Practices of Consumption	Looks at 'stuff' in our lives: purchases, tv, music & social media, and how it shapes who we are.
ST	What's Your Game Plan?	We've all played games but have you ever analyzed them and their strategies? Explore game theory and mathematical modeling to explore these strategies both in gaming and in other aspects of life.

## GLOBAL ISSUES & TRAVEL

	TITLE	COMMENTS
BY	Meet the Microbes	Learn about basic biology and microbiology along with ethical issues related to the field.
EN	Neverlands: Children's Literature of the Golden Age	Read some of the most beloved texts written for children in order to understand the diverse ways children have been represented thru history.
FS	Gain a Competitive Advantage: Learn about Hispanics in Business	Gain an important understanding of Hispanics in business that will help in your future career through a globalized and multicultural perspective.
FS	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Explore language through pop culture: music, poetry, film, social media and news reports.
FS	Caribbean Voices: Language, Culture and Identity	Explores Caribbean life through art, music, literature, and film.
HS	A Journey to St. Petersburg, Russia: A City of Transformations	Russia is in the news daily. This course will focus on the history, literature, architecture, art, music, and film of one of its major cities.
IS	Humans and the Environment [must be taken as part of cluster]	Students will think about ethical issues in human relationships with animals and the environment from a humanities perspective.

## CHILDREN/YOUNG ADULTS/HELPING PROFESSIONS

	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
BA	Personal Finance	Discover the history of money, credit, and finance and learn how to manage your own finances.
ED	Current Issues in United States P-20 Latina/o Education	Learn about educational trends among Latina/o students across a variety of topics such as demographics, P-12 urban and rural school settings, and higher education.
EN	Neverlands: Children's Literature of the Golden Age	Read some of the most beloved texts written for children in order to understand the diverse ways children have been represented thru history.
EN	The Story of the Book	Explores our rich and diverse print culture, from ancient clay tablets and Medieval manuscripts to current day novels and e-books.
FS	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Although course focuses on Hispanics in business, an understanding of the demographic impact in the US could be helpful for future teachers, social workers, and therapists.
SO	End Racism in School!	Explores racism in the American school system and how students have collectively organized to promote educational and racial justice.
ST	Victims of Crime	Studies crime victims in the US with a focus on the legal, social, practical and ethical considerations of criminal victimization.
ST	Who's In Your Selfie?	Looks at connections to family, friends, professors and others and how they help with coping skills and goal setting.
SW	Experiences of Childhood and Adolescence	Future teachers, principals, superintendents, social workers can learn about the developmental stages of childhood and adolescence.
SW	Social Connectedness in the Age of Technology	Examines health, social and ethical issues related to social media usage.
SW	Is Anybody Out There?: Mental Health, Artistic Expression & Audience	Looks at the relationship between mental health, creativity and expression.
ST	What's Your Game Plan?	We've all played games but have you ever analyzed them and their strategies? Explore game theory and mathematical modeling to explore these strategies both in gaming and in other aspects of life.

## HISTORY & THE PAST

	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
CO	Diversity and Life Through the World of Baseball and Film	Discusses the impact of baseball throughout the years in history and in film.
EN	Neverlands: Children's Literature of the Golden Age	Read some of the most beloved texts written for children in order to understand the diverse ways children have been represented thru history.
EN	The Story of the Book	Explores our rich and diverse print culture, from ancient clay tablets and Medieval manuscripts to current day novels and e-books.
HS	History and Hollywood	The relationship between film and history in the U.S.
HS	The Beatles	Explores the historical and cultural aspects of the rise of the Beatles in Europe and across the United States.
HS	A Journey to St. Petersburg, Russia: A City of Transformations	Russia is in the news daily. This course will focus on the history, literature, architecture, art, music, and film of one of its major cities.
HS	Battleground USA: God, Country and Family	Examine social issues and historical contexts of culture war in America.
ST	Political Communication and the Midterm Elections	Look at the practices and history of political campaign communication with a particular focus on the 2018 midterm elections.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE/HOMELAND SECURITY/INVESTIGATION

CODE	TITLE	COMMENTS
BY	Meet the Microbes	Learn about basic biology and microbiology along with ethical issues related to the field.
CS	The Diversity Divide: Technology	Explore the diversity of people working in the computer and engineering fields, and which factors have encouraged some to pursue these professions while excluding others.
EN	The Detective Story: It's Elementary	This course will explore the detective story, focusing on the amateur detective, the professional private investigator, and the police and what's behind our obsession with solving mysteries.
FS	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Although course focuses on Hispanics in business, an understanding of demographic impact in the US could be helpful in additional professions.
HS	Battleground USA: God, Country and Family	Examine social issues and historical contexts of culture war in America.
MA	Numbers, Clocks and Secret Codes	The study of cryptography could be helpful in detective work/homeland security
PS	I Fought the Law and I Won: Debating Legal Rights in the 21st Century	Debate helps us test our assumptions and beliefs. This course looks at American Civil Liberties and the art of Policy Debate in an attempt to help build honest and competent leaders at Monmouth University.
ST	Victims of Crime	Studies crime victims in the US with a focus on the legal, social, practical and ethical considerations of criminal victimization.
SW	Social Connectedness in the Age of Technology	Examines health, social and ethical issues related to social media usage.
ST	What's Your Game Plan?	We've all played games but have you ever analyzed them and their strategies? Explore game theory and mathematical modeling to explore these strategies both in gaming and in other aspects of life.

## HEALTH/WELLNESS/SPORTS

CODE	TITLE	COMMENTS
BA	Personal Finance	Discover the history of money, credit, and finance and learn how to manage your own finances.
BY	Meet the Microbes	Learn about basic biology and microbiology along with ethical issues related to the field.
CO	Diversity and Life Through the Works of Baseball and Film	Discusses the impact of baseball in many issues throughout the years in history and in film.
HE	Introduction to Health Occupations	Introductions to careers in health professions.
HE	Anthrozoology, Ethics, and Health	Discusses the complex way animals contribute to human well-being and illness. Critically examines cultural beliefs and practices that impact the well-being of humans, animals, and the planet.
HE	Addiction in Popular Movies	History of addiction as portrayed in popular movies. Students will write papers and discuss various types of addictions, the personality of the addict, treatment modalities along with legal, historical and ethical issues.
PY	Psychology for (College) Life	First Year experiences including mental health are explored through a psychological lens in research and theory.
ST	What's Your Game Plan?	We've all played games but have you ever analyzed them and their strategies? Explore game theory and mathematical modeling to explore these strategies both in gaming and in other aspects of life.
SW	Social Connectedness in the Age of Technology	Examines health, social and ethical issues related to social media usage.
SW	Is Anybody Out There?: Mental Health, Artistic Expression & Audience	Looks at the relationship between mental health, creativity and expression.

## CURRENT EVENTS/ETHICS/LEADERSHIP

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AR	Street Art and Its Impact	Examines the social, political, ethical, economic, and environmental issues around "street art" or "graffiti."
CS	The Diversity Divide: Technology	Explore the diversity of people working in the computer and engineering fields, and which factors have encouraged some to pursue these professions while excluding others.
ED	Current Issues in United States P-20 Latina/o Education	Learn about educational trends among Latina/o students across a variety of topics such as demographics, P-12 urban and rural school settings, and higher education.
HS	Battleground USA: God, Country and Family	Examine social issues and historical contexts of culture war in America.
FS	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Although course focuses on Hispanics in business, an understanding of the demographic impact in the US could be helpful for students in any
HS	A Journey to St. Petersburg, Russia: A City of Transformations	Russia is in the news daily. This course will focus on the history, literature, architecture, art, music, and film of one of its major cities.
IS	Humans and the Environment [must be taken as part of cluster]	Students will think about ethical issues in human relationships with animals and the environment from a humanities perspective.
PS	Profiles in Courage: Youth, Citizenship, and Public Policy	Explore leaders, politics, and society by studying different types of leaders and leadership strategies and learning how to solve collective action problems
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SO	END RACISM IN SCHOOL! Racism and Student Resistance in American Education	Explores racism in the American school system and how students have collectively organized to promote educational and racial justice.
ST	Political Communication and the Midterm Elections	Look at the practices and history of political campaign communication with a particular focus on the 2018 midterm elections.

## SCIENCE/ANIMALS/ENVIRONMENT/TECHNOLOGY

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AR	Street Art and Its Impact	Examines the social, political, ethical, economic, and environmental issues around "street art" or "graffiti."
BY	Dinosaurs and DNA: Biology in the Movies	Introduces the basics of genetics and relates the knowledge to popular films.
BY	Meet the Microbes	Learn about basic biology and microbiology along with ethical issues related to the field.
CE	Sustainable Energy	Examines energy sources and conservation.
CS	The Diversity Divide: Technology	Explore the diversity of people working in the computer and engineering fields, and which factors have encouraged some to pursue these professions while excluding others.
HE	Anthrozoology, Ethics and Health	Discusses the complex way animals contribute to human well-being and illness. Critically examines cultural beliefs and practices that impact the well-being of humans, animals, and the planet.
IS	Humans and the Environment [must be taken as part of cluster]	Students will think about ethical issues in human relationships with animals and the environment from a science perspective.
ST	What's Your Game Plan?	We've all played games but have you ever analyzed them and their strategies? Explore game theory and mathematical modeling to explore
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## RACISM & GENDER

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## UNDERSTANDING YOURSELF & OTHERS/PSYCHOLOGY/RELATIONSHIPS

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BA	Personal Finance	Discover the history of money, credit, and finance and learn how to manage your own finances.
CO	What's So Funny? An Inquiry into the Nature and Function of Humor	Explores the philosophical, communicative, physiological, and cultural perspectives on humor and laughter.
CO	Bueller?...Bueller?...Bueller?...John Hughes and Your First Year	Students will become familiar with the major theories of the screen arts through the films of John Hughes (Sixteen Candles, Pretty in Pink, Ferris Bueller's Day Off, The Breakfast Club, etc).
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FS	Despacito: Learning World Languages through Pop Culture	Gain an important understanding of Hispanics in business that will help in your future career through a globalized and multicultural perspective.
IS	American Beauty to True Blood: Drama of Alan Ball	Alan Ball's plays, films and television series grapple with conformity and the American Dream. He looks at stereotypes of family relationships,
PL	An Unexamined Life is Not Worth Living	Discusses and examines a variety of topics includes issues faced in the first year through lenses of philosophy, religion, and interdisciplinary studies.
PY	Resistance is Futile? Social Influence in Everyday Life	Dealing with the pressures of life and how the multiple influences shape us.
PY	Psychology for (College) Life	First Year experiences explored through a psychological lens in research and theory.
SO	END RACISM IN SCHOOL! Racism and Student Resistance in American Education	Explores racism in the American school system and how students have collectively organized to promote educational and racial justice.
SW	Experiences of Childhood and Adolescence	How children and adolescents deal with the issues that confront them.
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