

FRESHMAN SEMINAR (FRS)

College of Letters & Science

FRS 001 – First-Year Seminar (1 unit)

This version has ended; see updated course, below.

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 1 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open only to students who have completed fewer than 45 quarter units and transfer students in their first academic year at UC Davis.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Letter.

FRS 001 – First-Year Seminar (1 units)

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 1 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open to new and transfer students in their first year.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Letter.

This course version is effective from, and including: Spring Quarter 2026.

FRS 002 – First-Year Seminar (2 units)

This version has ended; see updated course, below.

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 2 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open only to students who have completed fewer than 45 quarter units and transfer students in their first academic year at UC Davis.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Letter.

FRS 002 – First-Year Seminar (2 units)

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 2 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open to new and transfer students in their first year.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Letter.

This course version is effective from, and including: Spring Quarter 2026.

FRS 003 – First-Year Seminar (1 unit)

This version has ended; see updated course, below.

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 1 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open only to students who have completed fewer than 45 quarter units and transfer students in their first academic year at UC Davis.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass only.

FRS 003 – First-Year Seminar (1 units)

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 1 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open to new and transfer students in their first year.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass only.

This course version is effective from, and including: Spring Quarter 2026.

FRS 004 – First-Year Seminar (2 units)

This version has ended; see updated course, below.

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 2 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open only to students who have completed fewer than 45 quarter units and transfer students in their first academic year at UC Davis.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass only.

FRS 004 – First-Year Seminar (2 units)

Course Description: Investigation of a special topic through shared readings, discussions, written assignments, term papers, and special activities (such as fieldwork, site visits, laboratory work, etc.). Emphasis placed upon student participation in learning. Students may take more than one First-Year Seminar, but may not take more than one in any given quarter.

Learning Activities: Seminar 2 hour(s).

Enrollment Restriction(s): Open to new and transfer students in their first year.

Repeat Credit: May be repeated when topic differs.

Grade Mode: Pass/No Pass only.

This course version is effective from, and including: Spring Quarter 2026.