NEW FALL 2013 ONLINE GRADUATE COURSES

Are you interested in improving your academic success in graduate study?
Are you a Police Officer, Speech-Language Pathologist, or Teacher?
Are you interested in improving your lifestyle related to weight and cooking?

The School of Graduate Studies at Western Illinois University announces the following online courses for fall 2013. These courses are designed for non-degree or degree-seeking individuals for academic, professional, and personal development.

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

UNIV 675: Foundations for Success in Graduate Study (3 s.h.)
Instructor: Amy Mossman
STAR# 89897

This course prepares degree and non-degree-seeking students for success in graduate study, addressing disciplinary awareness while developing advanced critical thinking, research, and writing skills. Building on an introduction to academic culture and professionalization, students will explore disciplinary conventions and general strategies for graduate inquiry, research, and writing.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CSD 675: Evidence-Based Practice Diagnosis in Speech-Language Pathology (1 s.h.)
Instructor: Stacy Betz
STAR# 89905

Discussion of how to select the most accurate assessments for suspected child language impairment. Particular emphasis will be placed on interpreting the statistical information presented in standardized test manuals and using this evidence to select the most appropriate test for a given child. Discussion of how to incorporate formal and informal assessment results when diagnosing a child will also be included. Prerequisites: At least 15 s.h. of graduate coursework in CSD.

LEJA 675: Policing.com: Law Enforcement in the 21st Century (1 s.h.)
Instructor: Jill Myers
STAR# 89906

This online graduate course is designed to expose individuals, who are or will be working in the criminal justice system, to the necessity, practicality, benefits, and potentially disastrous ramifications of policing in the technology driven 21st century. This course will examine the emergence of technology and social media usage on police practices, protocols, policies and processes. An in-depth examination of current and key issues concerning the C.S.I. effect, e-discovery, big data usage, social media policies, citizen journalism, and e-communications and e-warrants will be explored through court cases, media reports, and academic journals. Selected course materials will address law enforcement’s legal right to control the technological collection, use, or distribution of information for professional and personal advantages.

Prerequisite: Six semester hours of undergraduate criminal justice courses, or permission of the instructor.
RDG 675: Reading Informational Text: Applying the Common Core State Standards (1 s.h.)  
Instructor: Susan Massey  
STAR# 89848

This course will enable students to develop in-depth knowledge of the Common Core State Standards that address reading informational text. Emphasis will be placed on understanding the standards across grade levels, understanding the instructional shifts related to the standards, and investigating the integration of technology into informational text lesson planning. Assessment of informational text reading skills will also be addressed.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

FCS 450G: Weight Management (1 s.h.)  
Instructor: Lorri Kanauss  
STAR# 89852

This course explains aspects of obesity including causes and appropriate weight management techniques.

FCS 450G: Healthy Cooking (1 s.h.)  
Instructor: Emily Shupe  
STAR# 89853

This course is a hands-on course designed to develop skills in healthy food preparation techniques.

Additional Information

If you are a current graduate student, you may register online using STARS (wiu.edu/STARS). You may log in using your WIU ID number and password. You may call 309-298-STAR (7827) for assistance with STARS.

Not a WIU graduate student? You may apply online at the School of Graduate Studies website (wiu.edu/grad). Click “Apply Online”, then “NEW” graduate student and then “Begin online application process”. Create an account and “Submit”.

There is a $30 nonrefundable application fee that may be paid online via credit card, or you may choose to send in a check or money order. The fee is valid for two years if you do not matriculate. However, you will be required to reactivate your application by completing the reactivation form (https://www.student.services.wiu.edu/admissions/reactivateApp/application.asp).

Former WIU student? Please complete the Readmission to Graduate School form (https://www.student.services.wiu.edu/admissions/gradreadmission/application.asp). No application fee required for readmission to the Graduate School.

Still have questions? Contact the School of Graduate Studies at (309) 298-1806 (877-WIU-GRAD toll-free) or Grad-Office@wiu.edu.