COUNSELING – COUNS

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Possible career opportunities
Diablo Valley College's counseling courses are designed to assist students in identifying educational and career goals, and enhancing their success through instruction in career and educational planning and student success strategies.

COUNS-075 Topics in College Readiness
.3-4 units P/NP
• Non degree applicable
• Variable hours
A supplemental course in counseling to provide a study of current concepts and problems in counseling and related subdivisions. Specific topics will be announced in the schedule of classes.

COUNS-095 Educational Planning
.3 unit P/NP
• Non degree applicable
• 6 hours lecture per term
• Limitation on Enrollment: Students must complete the Online Orientation and Online Placement process prior to enrolling in this course.
This course provides an introduction to educational goal setting and course selection. Students will develop a plan to succeed in achieving their educational goal. Topics will include identification of interest area, educational and career goals, academic placement, counseling, and advising services.

COUNS-096 Orientation for Student-Athletes
.3 unit P/NP
• Non degree applicable
• 6 hours lecture per term
• Limitation on enrollment: Students must complete the online orientation and math and English assessments prior to enrolling in this course.
This course provides an introduction to educational goal setting and course selection for student-athletes. Students will develop an education plan to succeed in achieving their educational and athletic goals. Topics include general college information, intercollegiate academic eligibility requirements and regulations, registration procedures, and student-athlete academic success strategies. Important college services for student-athletes will be emphasized.

COUNS-097 Educational Planning for DSS Students
.3 unit P/NP
• Non degree applicable
• 6 hours lecture per term
• Note: Submit disability documentation to the DSS office in SSC-248 prior to registering for this course. Completion of English and mathematics assessment four days prior to this course will facilitate appropriate course selection.
This course provides an introduction to college for students with disabilities using course content tailored to meet the unique needs of this population. It will provide students in Disability Support Services (DSS) with a concrete plan for enrolling and succeeding in college. Topics include: an overview of DSS services and accommodations at Diablo Valley College (DVC), an explanation of the differences between high school and college, an overview of general information about certificate, associate degree and transfer pathways, and how to build a student educational plan.

COUNS-100 New Student Success Strategies
1 unit SC
• 18 hours lecture per term
This course introduces new students to information, resources and skills necessary for college success. Topics will include educational opportunities, campus resources, study skills and strategies. The class also provides instruction in educational planning to reach certificate, degree and transfer goals. CSU, UC (credit limits may apply to UC - see counselor)

COUNS-120 Student Success
3 units SC
• CSU GE: E
• 54 hours lecture per term
• Recommended: Eligibility for ENGL-122 or equivalent
This course presents skills and strategies to succeed as a college student. Topics such as motivation and attitudes, time management, decision-making processes, goal-setting, critical thinking skills, study skills and interpersonal communication will be explored. Students will evaluate their own skills and behaviors in relation to these topics and learn strategies to make meaningful choices about their education, career and personal goals. CSU, UC (credit limits may apply to UC - see counselor)

COUNS-130 Transfer Planning
1.5 units SC
• 27 hours lecture per term
• Recommended: Eligibility for ENGL-122 or equivalent
This course presents an overview of the transfer admission requirements, application process, and procedures. Topics include transfer to private, public, in-state, and out-of-state colleges and universities, transfer admission programs, major preparation, and articulation agreements. A key component of this course includes applying research skills and strategies using a variety of techniques to find, retrieve, and evaluate transfer planning information to create a personal education plan. CSU
COUNS-150  Topics in Counseling
   .3-4 units SC
   • Variable hours
A supplemental course designed to provide personal and social development skills related to academic issues. Specific topics will be announced in the schedule of classes. CSU

COUNS-155  Topics in Group Counseling
   .3-4 units SC
   • Variable hours
An interpersonal experience designed to develop self-awareness and to increase understanding of and competence in interpersonal relationships. CSU