

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE  
SYLLABUS

## ORI 105 DECISION-MAKING

Credit Hours: 1 Lec 1

PREREQUISITE: None

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Helps students identify their values, gather pertinent information that would affect their decisions, analyze the gathered information, and implement a strategy to make and carry-through decisions. Various teaching methods are employed including discussions, exercises, role-playing, out-of-class activities, and simulations. Classes will meet twice weekly for five consecutive weeks.

1. COURSE GOAL

Make well informed, well-considered choices. Course will also focus on the responsibility assumed for the choices that are made.

2. OUTCOMES

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 2.1 Bring about an awareness of personal values.
- 2.2 Utilizing and applying evaluation information in relation to values.
- 2.2 Apply information to desired objective(s).
- 2.3 Develop a personal strategy to use in making personal, educational, and career decisions.

3. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

- 3.1 Lecture, group interaction, audio-visual materials and demonstrations
- 3.2 Reports by groups of students, after participating in exercises

4. LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- 4.1 In-class exercises leading students to experience relevant Decision-Making concepts and to practice applying these concepts
- 4.2 Classroom discussions to provide for the exchange of ideas among students and to clarify concepts
- 4.3 Role-playing in order to provide a vicarious experience, a change of pace and an opportunity for added involvement
- 4.4 Simulations which provide miniature models of environments in which students may be living sometime in the future. These will provide another avenue for experience while at the same time giving practice in a more life-like situation
- 4.5 Topical outline of course content will be provided to students

5. EVALUATION

- 5.1 Grade will be earned by an assortment of learning activities, exams, assignments and participation
- 5.2 Please see the class schedule and assignment sheet for more information

6. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 Under AWC Policy, students are expected to attend every session of class in which they are enrolled.
- 6.2 If a student is unable to attend the course or must drop the course for any reason, it will be the responsibility of the student to withdraw from the course. Students who are not attending as of the 45th day of the course may be withdrawn by the instructor. If the student does not withdraw from the course and fails to complete the requirements of the course, the student will receive a failing grade.

- 6.3 Americans with Disabilities Act Accommodations: Arizona Western College provides academic accommodations to students with disabilities through AccessABILITY Resource Services (ARS). ARS provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students who have documented disabilities. It is the responsibility of the student to make the ARS Coordinator aware of the need for accommodations in the classroom prior to the beginning of the semester. Students should follow up with their instructors once the semester begins. To make an appointment call the ARS front desk at (928) 344-7674 or ARS Coordinator at (928) 344-7629, in the College Community Center (3C) building, next to Advising.
- 6.4 Academic Integrity: Any student participating in acts of academic dishonesty—including, but not limited to, copying the work of other students, using unauthorized “crib notes”, plagiarism, stealing tests, or forging an instructor’s signature—will be subject to the procedures and consequences outlined in AWC’s Student Code of Conduct.
- 6.5 Texts and Notebooks: Students are required to obtain the class materials for the course.
- 6.6 Arizona Western College students are expected to attend every class session in which they are enrolled. To comply with Federal Financial Aid regulations (34 CFR 668.21), Arizona Western College (AWC) has established an Attendance Verification process for "No Show" reporting during the first 10 days of each semester. Students who have enrolled but have never attended class may be issued a “No Show” (NS) grade by the professor or instructor and receive a final grade of “NS” on their official academic record. An NS grade may result in a student losing their federal financial aid. For online classes, *student attendance in an online class is defined as the following* (FSA Handbook, 2012, 5-90):
- Submitting an academic assignment
  - Taking an exam, an interactive tutorial or computer-assisted instruction
  - Attending a study group that is assigned by the school
  - Participating in an online discussion about academic matters
  - Initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course