

**FAS 263 Basic Drawing (2 crs)**

Drawing is a learned skill based on hand-eye coordination; anyone can learn the basics of drawing. This course is an introduction to basic principles and techniques of drawing using a variety of media and subjects. This course emphasizes drawing from observation as a means to develop perceptual and technical skills as well as visual imagination. It includes line contour drawing, gesture, perspective, and systems of spatial organization.

**FAS 262 Basic Watercolor (2 crs)**

In this course beginning watercolor students will gain a foundation of basic watercolor concepts, skills, and materials with an emphasis on the use of watercolor and watercolor mediums. They will also explore color, form, and composition and connect things with image and idea development. Landscapes, self-portraits, and still-life from direct observation and from photographs will be explored. Individual and group critiques are also a part of any studio class.

**FAS 271 Modern Dance (2 crs)**

This course explores the fundamental concepts and techniques of modern dance including floor stretch, center work, locomotor sequences, and dance combinations. The student will define, demonstrate, and perform flexibility, coordination, rhythmic and dynamic perception, control, and strength.

**FAS 275 Modern Jazz Dance (2 crs)**

This beginning-level dance class uses Luigi style technique and focuses on jazz movement style and rhythms. This is a class for those who want to unleash their creativity and let loose.

**FAS 276 Ballet (2 crs)**

This course is a basic, elementary-level introduction to ballet technique. Terminology and stylistic concepts will be introduced with a strong emphasis on correct alignment.



# First Year Program

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The First Year Program is designed to aid students with their transition to Wheeling Jesuit University. Its goal is to offer students the tools necessary to succeed. Faculty lead the seminar sections and conduct classes on skills such as time management, note-taking and public speaking. Faculty also work closely with the students, trying to foster a sense of community and belonging. Wellness programs which reflect the developmental needs of first year students are presented. In keeping with the Jesuit tradition of service to others, all First Year Program students participate in "Make A Difference Day" where their services are offered to the greater Wheeling community. All first year students are required to participate in the First Year Program. This one credit course is taken in the fall of a student's first year.

## Course Descriptions

**FYS 101 First Year Seminar (1 cr)**

Introduction to college. Emphasizes basic skills, social concerns and developing a sense of community at Wheeling Jesuit University.

**FYS 102 First Year Seminar II (1 cr)**

Advanced work on time management, study skills, organization and responsibility. Prerequisite: Permission of Associate Academic Dean.

**FYS 103 Choosing a College Major (1 cr)**

This course is intended for freshmen and sophomores who have not identified a college major or are thinking about changing their major. The purpose of the course is to facilitate the development of self-knowledge regarding interests, values, skills and personality, and to show how such self-knowledge influences the choice of a college major and career. Students will also learn about the career decision-making process and how their own thinking patterns can help or hinder their career development.