

# DISCOVERY CORE

THE CORE CURRICULUM FOR 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY CAREERS



"This course challenged me to think outside the box."

"This course made me think more about my surroundings and look at the world and the universe in a different way."

"I was challenged in public speaking."

"I liked debating and engaging with my classmates."

"I learned how to think critically."

NYIT Student Comments, Fall 2011 Foundations of Scientific Process

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EMPLOYERS IN THE 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY WANT PROFESSIONALS WHO WILL GROW WITH THEIR BUSINESSES. NYIT DISCOVERY CORE COURSES BUILD LIFELONG CAREER SKILLS SUCH AS CRITICAL THINKING, GLOBAL AWARENESS, AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING THAT WILL HELP STUDENTS ADVANCE IN THEIR FIELDS.

#### NYIT CORE COURSES: 36 CREDITS

FOUNDATIONS OF INQUIRY
FOUNDATIONS OF SCIENTIFIC PROCESS
FOUNDATIONS OF SPEECH AND COMMUNICATION
FOUNDATIONS OF COLLEGE COMPOSITION
FOUNDATIONS OF RESEARCH WRITING
BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE SEMINAR (CHOICE)
PHILOSOPHY SEMINARS(CHOICE)
LITERATURE SEMINAR (CHOICE)
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SCIENCE (CHOICE)
FOUNDATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION (CHOICE)

NYIT CORE COURSES BUILD CAREER SKILLS:

RESEARCH REPORTS PROFESSIONAL WRITING PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING CRITICAL THINKING GLOBAL AWARENESS SCIENTIFIC LITERACY DATA ANALYSIS CREATIVE THINKING PROBLEM SOLVING



# **COMPOSITION AND SPEECH COURSES**

Every profession now demands extensive writing and speaking. Whether presenting to a large group or interviewer, writing memos, preparing long-term plans, or just sending email, professionals are judged by how effectively and professionally they communicate.

NYIT understands this new reality, and for this reason requires extensive writing and speaking in the following Core classes:

FOUNDATIONS OF SPEECH AND COMMUNICATION

FOUNDATIONS OF COLLEGE COMPOSITION

FOUNDATIONS OF RESEARCH WRITING

FOUNDATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION (CHOICE)



VALUABLE CAREER SKILLS RESEARCH REPORTS PROFESSIONAL WRITING PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING CRITICAL THINKING "I learned how to think critically in order to gather ideas and make a point.

> NYIT Student Fall 2011



# FOUNDATIONS OF INQUIRY

Technology is at the heart of 21<sup>st</sup> Century careers and society. Individuals who think critically about technology and understand its wider impact will prosper in their careers.

Foundations of Inquiry (FCIQ 101) students in the coming year (2012-2013) will explore the ways technology is changing their lives. They will come to see how university research, and critical thinking generally, contributes to a deeper and more critical approach to technology across many academic fields.

This broader understanding will help them as they choose the right technologies for themselves, their employers, and their families.



### VALUABLE CAREER SKILLS

CRITICAL THINKING GLOBAL AWARENESS CREATIVE THINKING TEAMWORK FRAMING QUESTIONS "This course forced us to think like scientists."

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# FOUNDATIONS OF SCIENTIFIC PROCESS

The 21<sup>st</sup> Century demands scientific literacy. Not only are humans faced with major social questions related to science (such as biotechnology and climate change), but many careers now demand rigorous testing of hypotheses, data, and methodology. Professionals in many fields need to be able to weigh the findings from various research studies to make the right technical decisions.

Foundations of Scientific Process introduces the scientific process as a key tool for exploring both scientific and technological dilemmas. Those who understand the scientific process will be able to use these methods in any career they may choose.

> VALUABLE CAREER SKILLS PROBLEM SOLVING CRITICAL THINKING SCIENTIFIC LITERACY DATA ANALYSIS

#### **Behavioral Science Seminars**

- ICBS-301 Cross Cultural Dating
- ICBS 302 Intergroup Relations
- ICBS-303 Dynamics of Violence
- ICBS-305 Gender Identity
- ICBS-306 Real New York
- ICBS-307 Documentary Photography
- ICBS 308 Parenting and Culture
- ICBS-309 Anthropology of Health

#### **Literature Seminars**

- ICLT-301 American Immigrant Literature
- ICLT 302 Strange Creations
- ICLT 303 Science Fiction
- ICLT 304 Children's Literature
- ICLT-305 America, The Promised Land
- ICLT-306 American Nervousness
- ICLT-307 Fantasy Literature
- ICLT-308 Contemporary Poetry
- ICLT-309 Literary Journalism of the 1960s
- ICLT-310 Latino Culture in NY
- ICLT-311 What was Modernism?
- ICLT-312 Shakespeare
- ICLT-314 Modern Drama as Protest
- ICLT-315 Revolution
- ICLT-316 Literature and Medicine
- ICLT-317 Gothic Literature
- ICLT-318 Romantic Literature and Science
- ICLT-319 Art of the Detective Novel
- ICLT-320 Global Literature
- ICLT-321 LGBT Literature
- ICLT-322 New York Literature

#### **Philosophy Seminars**

- ICPH-301 Philosophy of Human Nature
- ICPH-302 Legacy of Socrates
- ICPH-303 Birth of Philosophy & Science
- ICPH-304 Ethics and Social Philosophy
- ICPH-305 Beauty and Philosophy of Art
- ICPH-306 Bioethics

#### Social Science Seminars

- ICSS-301 Environmental History
- ICSS-303 American Character
- ICSS-304 Great City History
- ICSS-305 Vietnam on Film
- ICSS-306 Modern New York
- ICSS-307 Seminar in Eco Crises
- ICSS-308 Seminar in Eco Sustainability
- ICSS-309 Technology and Global Issues
- ICSS-310 Modern Middle East
- ICSS 311 Conspiracy Theory
- ICSS 312 Revolution, Theory and Culture
- ICSS 313 Islamic Society
- ICSS 314 Seminar Global Conflict
- ICSS 315 Filming American History

"I favored the final presentations which were dependent on the knowledge of all group members. It allowed everyone to put their skills to the test to make one final product."

NYIT Student, Fall 2011

## **NYIT Seminars**

Learning is a lifelong process. Tomorrow's leaders are people who keep up with broader changes in society and culture.

NYIT seminars directly engage students in topics that interest them. Students pick at least one seminar in each of the four areas.

All seminars feature fascinating content and continue to develop career skills.



VALUABLE CAREER SKILLS

IN-DEPTH RESEARCH

**PROFESSIONAL WRITING** 

**PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING** 

**CRITICAL THINKING** 

**GLOBAL AWARENESS** 

**CREATIVE THINKING** 

# DISCOVERY CORE

The Discovery Core is administered by the College of Arts and Sciences.

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