

INTERESTING ELECTIVES

At the end of the semester, panic surfaces in the hearts of college students. Not only do they have to keep up with regular homework, finish projects that they waited until the last minute to do and prepare for upcoming exams, they must also plan for next semester by selecting classes for their schedule. While some of these classes are easy to choose, such as major classes and core classes, electives can be a bit tricky because there is greater freedom of choice. Here are some suggestions.

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BUSINESS SPREADSHEET ANALYSIS

Although some might be put off by the words "spreadsheet" and "analysis," don't let the name discourage you from taking the class. Business Spreadsheet Analysis, taught by Alan Carper, teaches you the basics of Microsoft Excel, a useful program to learn for doing a variety of tasks either in your workplace or in your personal life, such as keeping track of a budget or the multitude of passwords one must create for various websites. The course will be offered next semester Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon and 1 p.m.

BC
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FUNDAMENTALS OF COUNSELING

Counseling others and being counseled is a natural part of the Christian life. The intro class for the biblical counseling major, this class covers both the theory and doctrine behind biblical counseling and practical counseling skills. Dr. Greg Mazak teaches the course, which is offered next semester from 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

ADOLESCENT GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

Since so much growth occurs during adolescence, it is logical to grow in one's knowledge of that age group. Adolescent Growth & Development, taught by Dr. Heather Hancox, focuses on different aspects of growth from preadolescence until maturity, including physical, emotional and spiritual growth. Since many students at BJU will have kids one day, this class can give them a jump start on understanding their child. Adolescent Growth and Development is offered next semester from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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CERAMICS I

Some courses, though beneficial to an overall education, leave students empty-handed, with nothing but a couple of papers to show for a semester's worth of effort. Ceramics I, taught by April Schwingle, incorporates time into the busyness of college to flex one's creativity by throwing, hand building and glazing clay with four ceramics projects. Plus, you get to wear jeans to class. The course is offered at from 8 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday next semester.

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AESTHETICS AND HISTORY OF CINEMATIC ARTS

Everyone knows about Appreciation of Theatre and Film. Less well-known is this cinema class that all students are welcome to take. Aesthetics and History of Cinematic Arts, taught by Christopher Zydowicz, explores the early history of film, looking at French, Russian, German and American cinema. After the history portion, the class shifts gears and evaluates films for their extrinsic and intrinsic values. The course is offered from 3 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday next semester.

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ThA 415

INCARNATION AND THE HUMANITIES

As a Christian liberal arts university highly focused on fine arts, it seems fitting that theatre arts and Bible meet in a course. Incarnation and the Humanities, co-taught by Dr. Brent Cook and Dr. Erin Naler, examines the incarnation and how it impacts the arts. The combination of art and Bible could be a great elective choice for art majors specifically and the student body in general. Incarnation and the Humanities is offered next semester on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10 a.m.

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INTRO TO COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

Technology is a major part of the world we live in today. Although not everyone is gifted with a knack for technology, some basic knowledge of programming might be helpful. Intro to Computer Programming, taught by Dr. Alan Hughes, emphasizes problem-solving and works with a high-level language (the language is less technical). The course meets from 3 to 3:50 p.m. Monday and Wednesday with a lab at the same time on Friday.

SOLAR SYSTEM ASTRONOMY

A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far, away...the final frontier... Popular culture is obsessed with what's beyond our planet. Solar System Astronomy, taught by Dr. Robert Hill, covers astronomy history, comets and the motion of astronomical bodies, to name a few items from the course's syllabus. Instead of trying to decide what random algebra class you want to take to fulfill your math or science elective requirement, students can study the universe above the University. This course meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday next semester at 10 a.m. with a lab from 8 p.m. to 9:50 p.m. on Tuesdays.

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