

SSC 1050
RETURNING ADULT FORUM
*****SYLLABUS*****
FALL 2006/SPRING 2007
Instructor: David Zundel (“Z”)

The returning Adult Forum (RAF) is a 1 credit class that meets weekly on Wednesdays at **NOON**. Associated with the class is a college club called NETO (Never Ever Too Old). The purpose of the class and the club is to assist the older students assimilate into college life by helping them to:

- 1) Improve Study and Life Skills;
- 2) Increase communication with other Returning Adult Students;
- 3) Become involved in campus life;
- 4) Provide leadership and service opportunities.

To make the RAF of greater benefit to you, we have chosen guest speakers who will enlighten you in three areas: 1) **Study skills** for the older student. 2) **Life skills** (How to balance your life as a student, parent and employee). & 3) **Enrichment skills** (How to enjoy life while you are going to college). Our goal is to make you feel *empowered*, *relaxed*, and *confident*. Students are encouraged to be a part of the RAF & NETO club as long as you are at Dixie State College.

I COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- A) **Attendance** – You are allowed to miss two classes per semester without penalty. After that, 10 points will be deducted from your point total. Therefore it is imperative that you sign the role every time you attend class.
- B) **Written Assignment:**

Option #1:

Write a ½ - 1 page reaction paper on 10 of the 12 Forums. **DO NOT** simply summarize the talks! List ideas from the discussions that have impressed you and how you personally benefited from each speaker or video tape. Hand in your reaction papers on the 4th Wednesday during our business meeting. If you choose this option, you will be penalized if you do not hand in the previous month’s papers on time.

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WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT (CON'T)

OPTION #2

Choose a subject presented by one of the speakers and write a 2 ½ to 3 page research paper on that subject. This paper will include 3 references and at least one internet (web) reference. The paper will be due the last week of the semester, and will not be accepted late! (Use the MLA reference format for footnotes and bibliography.)

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SERVICE PROJECTS & ACTIVITY ASSIGNMENTS

- 1) As part of your grade in the class, each student must participate in at least **one** service project. This service project will be worth 100 points – ¼ of your grade. These service projects are normally conducted by the NETO club or student government.
- 2) Class members are also expected to attend one activity during the semester. This can be a school event, a NETO sponsored activity, or other approved activities or events. The activity will be worth 50 points of your grade.
- 3) Participation as an officer of the NETO club or participating as a committee member of a project almost always **guarantees** an A in the class.

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GRADING SYSTEM:

Grades will be awarded on the following points system:

150 points possible for attendance. (10 pts. per class period)

100 points for e-mail reaction papers. (10 pts. each) [option #1]

100 points for research paper. (option #2)

100 points for service project **[TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE = 400 Pts.]**

50 points of NETO/school activity

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A = 380 – 400	C+ = 280 – 299
A- = 360 – 379	C = 260 – 279
B+ = 340 – 359	C- = 240 – 259
B = 320 – 339	D+ = 220 – 239
B- = 300 – 319	D = 200 – 219

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ICC Coordinator	Debra Nilsson (Past President of NETO)
Secretary	Donna Vee Holt
Historian	Bonna Kersh
Treasurer	Tim Leeny
Officer	Kaysha Price
Newsletter	Melody Tidwell
Officer	Kayelynn Peck

DISABILITY STATEMENT:

“If you are a student with a medical, psychological, or learning disability and would like accommodations or think you might have a disability, contact the Disability Resource Center (652-7516) in the Student Services Center, room 201. The Disability Resource Center will determine eligibility based on your professional documentation and determine the appropriate accommodations related to your disability.”