
Freshmen!

TAKE MUSE –THE FIRST SEMESTER EXPERIENCE CLASS.

Get excited about your first semester! Take a **Metropolitan University Scholar’s Experience (MUSE)** class. MUSE seminars are designed to help you with the transition from high school to college. MUSE classes are small seminar classes especially for Freshmen that fit into your General Education program, but you can take **one** only and **only** in your first semester. **Compared to students who do not take a MUSE class, students who take a MUSE class have higher college GPAs, and are more likely to stay and complete college in a timely manner.**

WHICH MUSE CLASS SHOULD I TAKE?

We advise you to take a class that sounds interesting to you. **Remember you can take MUSE only in your first Fall semester, and can take only one MUSE course. All MUSE classes are identified by a “Q” in their course number.** Many of the department suggestions do not specifically include a MUSE class, however **most majors can take their MUSE course in any GE area. If you have one of the majors below, here are some suggestions:**

Nutrition and Food Science: Take your MUSE course in Area C1, C2, or E. Alternatively you can take the Area D1 PSYC 1FQ course, as PSYC 1 is required for your major.

Health Science: Take HS 001FQ, as HS 1 is required for your major or any course in Area C1, C2, or D.

CHAD Plan A: CHAD can take CHAD 60FQ, as CHAD 60 is required for your major or any course in C2.

CHAD Plan B: CHAD can take CHAD 60FQ, as CHAD 60 is required for your major, or any course in B1, B2, C1, Or C2.

Pre-Nursing: You can take Sci 2 in Area E, and a MUSE course in Area C1 or C2. Alternatively you can take Area D1 PSYC 1FQ, as PSYC 1 is required for your major.

Majors in any Social Science: Often Musc 10A (a C1 course) is listed on your “roadmap”, but you can take a MUSE class instead in almost any GE area. **Anthropology, Economics, Psychology, and Sociology** majors should not take D1 MUSE classes as your majors require a course in D1. However **PSYC** majors can take the Area D1 PSYC 1FQ course for their major as a MUSE course and **ECON** majors can take the Area D Econ 1BQ course for their major as a MUSE course. **Geography** majors can take their MUSE class in B2, C1, C2, or E. **Political Science majors** should take their MUSE course in C1, D1 or E.

Engineering Majors

Aviation and Technology: Take your MUSE course in GE Area C1, C2, or E. Alternatively you can take the Area D Econ 1BQ course as ECON 1B is required for your major .

Engineering: Take MUSE in Area E.

Business Majors: You can take your MUSE class in Area B1, B2, C1, C2, or E. Alternatively you can take the Area D ECON 1BQ course as ECON 1B is required for your major.

Majors in any Science: Take your MUSE course in GE Area C1, C2, or D1. Take SCI 002 in Area E.

American Studies sequence (AMS 1A/1B): Take your MUSE course in Area B1, B2, D1, or E.

Humanities Honors sequence (HUM 1A/1B): Take your MUSE course in Area B1, B2, D1, or E.

If you have ADHD or LD, check out “ADHD: Chaos Reigns” in Area E (PSYC 96KQ), regardless of your major.

AREA B1 – PHYSICAL SCIENCE.

The Real CSI.

JS 96GQ – 48231 - MW 12:00-13:15.

Hands-on course covering the basics of crime scene investigation and forensic science.

Being a Smart Consumer: Everything you ever wanted to know about materials.

TECH 96GQ – 48234 – MW 15:00-16:15.

Every thing you need to know about the stuff things are made of!

AREA B2 – LIFE SCIENCE.

Creepy Crawlies and Weebeasties: An examination of how bugs impact our lives.

BIOL 96FQ – 48235 – MW 9:00-10:15.

Creepy Crawlies examines the lives of insects and how they impact human welfare.

Nutrition and Health—Myth vs. Reality.

NUFS 96GQ Sec 1 – 48237 – MW 12:00-13:15.

NUFS 96GQ Sec 2 – 48238 – MW 13:30-14:45.

What's the real scoop behind the hype and fears about our food and our health? Learn some basics about your body, your food, and your health.

Fact or fiction? What every college student should know about drugs.

PSYC 96GQ – 48244 – MW 12:00-13:15

Drug myths are almost as ubiquitous as drugs themselves; come learn the facts about what drugs do at the biological, behavioral, and cultural levels. Separate fact from fiction!

AREA C1 – ARTS.

Dance In Film: What Filmed Dance Says About Gender, Society, Performers And The Era In Which The Films Were Made.

DANC 96 FQ – 48262 – TR 13:30-14:45. View dance film excerpts from the era of silent movies up through recent hits. Discuss, analyze, and write your views on Film History, Gender and Race in dance films.

Beyond the Headlines: Literature and Culture of the Modern Middle East.

ENGL 96HQ – 48265 – TR 10:30-11:45. It isn't all about war! Learn more about the rich culture and heritage of the Modern Middle East and think more critically about the daily news headlines.

Arts Reviewing

JOUR 96FQ – 48299 – Tues. only 18:00-20:45 - Explore the arts and learn to write reviews that state your opinions clearly, support them with evidence, and command respect.

Art of Film: American Cinema and Society in the 1970s.

RTVF 10FQ – 48387 – Thurs only 16:30-19:15. The 1970s saw the rise of independent cinema, Bruce Lee, Blaxploitation, and the New Hollywood. In this introductory class we will study the era's films and the culture that spawned them.

Acting: Life is a Stage.

TA 005FQ – 48301 – TR 15:30-16:45. Learn to act, write and perform spoken word, go on cool field trips around the Bay Area and have loads of FUN while fulfilling your G.E. Arts requirement towards graduation.

Theatre Appreciation: From Satyr Plays to Hip Hop Performance: Controversial Theatre Yesterday and Today.

TA 10GQ – 48300 – MW 12:00-13:15. Discover the quirky, the strange, and the fantastic – live performance – obscure and outlandish theatre come alive in this course!

AREA C2 – LETTERS.

From Fiction to Film: Adaptation of Literature for the Big Screen.

COMM 96FQ – 48302 – MW 13:30-14:45. This course will examine the adaptation of fiction to film.

Great Works of Literature: Shakespeare to Rushdie

English 10FQ – 48263 – TR 9:00-10:15 - An introduction to the great works of literature that have fed into the modern, global literary tradition.

Creative Writing: So You Want to Be a Writer? Creative Writing in Three Genres.

English 71GQ – 48264 – MW 10:30-11:45. In this creative writing workshop, you'll learn how to make it as a writer of fiction, poetry, or creative nonfiction in today's rapidly-evolving marketplace.

In California: Stories, Art, Film.

ENGL 96JQ – 48267 – MW 9:00-10:15. California dreams. What does that mean? We will focus on discussions of California literature, art, and film.

Writers of the Sky: Pilots, Planes, Literature & Art.

ENGL 96KQ – 48268 – TR 13:30-14:45. Stories of survival and adventure in foreign lands are what you'll study in the works of famous pilots.

What Dreams May Come: the Influence of Dreams in Art, Music and Literature.

ENGL 96LQ – 48269 – TR 9:00-10:15. We will explore the world of dreams with scientific interest and creative curiosity through several art forms.

Flag of Power.

HUM 96FQ – 48304 – MW 12:00-13:15. Explore the shifting meanings and uses of the American flag as a symbol in our society, and how attitudes about patriotism are encouraged and spread, changing lives and affecting history!

Deathlore: Stories of Horror in Film, Philosophy, and Folklore.

PHIL 96FQ Sec 1: 48307 – TR 15:00-16:15.

PHIL 96FQ Sec 2: 48308 – TR 16:30-17:45.

Examine death as we know it, as it touches our lives and fills our movie screens with tales of serial killers, slashers, zombies, vampires, and ghosts.

Western Religions: Mystery and Meaning.

RELS 70AQ – 48309 - MW 13:30-14:45. Explore “mystery” and “meaning” in the world’s great religions---using theatre!

The Bible: Its Original Meaning.

RELS 96FQ – 48310 - MW 15:00-16:15. Investigate the original meaning of the Bible when it was written, based on history, archaeology, scholarship, and literature.

AREA D1 – HUMAN BEHAVIOR.

Samurai, Poets and Tea Masters.

ANTH 96KQ – 48314 – TR 15:00-16:15. Loyal samurai, wicked warlords, beautiful poets, and saintly tea masters—you'll meet them all when you immerse yourself in traditional Japanese culture.

Spirits, Ao Dai and Karaoke: Vietnam!

ANTH 96HQ – 48313 – MW 12:00-13:15. Vietnam has played a huge role in recent American history; in this course you'll learn about Vietnam's history, culture, society and current relations between Vietnam and Vietnamese-Americans.

Leadership 101: Define Your Future!

BUS3 96FQ – 48315 – TR 16:30-17:45. Explore how to become the leader you want to be!

The Simpsons as Social Science: Exploring Faith, Philosophy, and Ethics with America's Favorite Cartoon Family.

COMM 96GQ – 48303 – TR 13:30-14:45. We analyze pop culture television to explore deep questions of faith, philosophy, and ethics.

Principles of Economics: Microeconomics - Learn to Make Better and Quicker Decisions. 4 units

Econ 1BQ Sec 1 & 2: 48388 & 48389, TR 9:00-10:15.

Econ 1BQ Sec 3 & 4: 48390 & 48391, TR 10:30-11:45.

Econ 1BQ Sec 5 & 6: 48392 & 48393, MW 13:30-14:45.

Econ 1BQ Sec 7 & 8: 48394 & 48395 MW 15:00-16:15.

Make better, quicker decisions using Common Sense Economics. (Activity section is online.)

Board Games: History, Culture, and Strategy.

ENGL 96IQ – 48266 – TR 15:00-16:15. Develop a successful strategy for college by studying traditional and modern board games—where they came from, how to play them, and how to win at the “game of SJSU.”

What in Hell? A History of Evil in the West.

HUM 96GQ – 48305 – TR 9:00-10:15. We explore the concept of evil as an explanation for suffering, an excuse for wrong doing, and a search for meaning in the face of death.

The Nature of Language: An Exploration of World Culture.

LING 20FQ - 48323 – TR 10:30 – 11:45. Explore the role of your language in the history and portrait of “American” languages.

Race and Ethnicity in Our Community.

MAS 96FQ Sec 1 - 48324 - TR 12:00-13:15.

MAS 96FQ Sec 2 – 48325 - TR 13:30-14:45.

Race is the place! We live in a racially diverse nation where commonly people want to be colorblind. Explore race through study, fieldtrips and participant observation.

Awakening in Utopia.

POLS 96FQ – 48326 - TR 10:30 – 11:45. This course examines what it would be like to go to sleep in 1887 and then awaken 113 years later into a perfect utopian society.

General Psychology: It's Not Oprah or Dr. Phil!

PSYC 001FQ Sec 1 – 48248 – TR 9:00-10:15.

PSYC 001FQ Sec 2 – 48249 – T only 16:30-19:15.

It's not Oprah or Dr. Phil! It's really about understanding psychology and increasing our personal effectiveness when it comes to health, work, and human relationships.

Understanding Prejudice: Building Bridges.

PSYC 96LQ Sec 1 – 48250 - TR 12:00-13:15.

PSYC 96LQ Sec 2 – 48251 - TR 13:30-14:45.

Through group interaction, role play, field experiments, and experiential exercises, we explore issues of cultural diversity. To agree to disagree amicably is the central theme of this course!

Technology and Women.

TECH 98FQ – 47796 - TR 15:00-16:15. What are the effects of technology on women? What are the stereotypes for both men and women about technology?

My Space, Your Space, Our Space: Building a Just Community.

UNVS 96FQ – 48353 – TR 13:30-14:45. Students will examine theories of community and justice in relation to the social construction of difference including their own experience as members of various social identity groups.

Doing Gender With Buffy the Vampire Slayer.

WOMS 96FQ – 48320 – MW 10:30-11:45. This class looks at Buffy the Vampire Slayer as evidence of changing contemporary attitudes toward gender. How does Buffy change our perceptions of what girls and women can do?

AREA E – HUMAN UNDERSTANDING AND DEVELOPMENT.

Human Lifecourse in Context: From Cradle to Grave in the 21st Century.

ANTH 25FQ – 48312 –TR 13:30-14:45. If you think you know the facts of life, you might be surprised! Put your life in perspective, understand others, and learn the skills to master the issues which confront you!

Games Great Managers Play: Practice Managerial Skills with Computer Games.

BUS3 96GQ – 48316 – TR 12:00-13:15. Reduce the enormous gap between knowledge and practice with avatar computer game and evidence-based, real-world scenarios based on what great managers know and do.

What's Love Got to Do with It? The Study of Love & Attraction.

BUS3 96HQ – 48318 – T only – 18:00-20:45. Can friends be lovers?

Master of My Own Universe – Leading Myself.

BUS4 96FQ Sec 2 - 48322 – TR 12:00-13:15.

BUS4 96FQ Sec 1 – 48321 – TR 15:00-16:15.

Welcome to your life! Be the “Master of Your Universe!!!”

Child Development: Roots & Wings: How the Baby Learns to Fly.

CHAD 60FQ Sec 1 – 48327 – MW 10:30-11:45.

CHAD 60FQ Sec 2 – 48328 – MW 13:30-14:45.

Examine how each of us has developed into the unique individuals that we are: cognitively, socially, emotionally, linguistically and physically.

Personal, Academic, And Career Exploration.

EDCO 004FQ – TR 12:00-13:15. Now what? Planning a great career and making it happen....

Coming Out: Depictions of Queer Lives.

ENGL 96MQ Sec 1 - 48270 – TR 13:30-14:45.

ENGL 96MQ Sec 2 – 48273 – TR 15:00-16:15.

Examine the interpersonal, social-cultural aspects of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered experience in books and films.

Girl Power over Centuries: Women in the US?

HIST 96GQ – 48330 – TR 12:00-13:15. Come and examine with me the struggle of multi-ethnic women in the United States to overcome oppression, exploitation, and racism.

The Political is Personal: Gender Equality & Diversity in American Politics.

HIST 96HQ – 48331 – TR 15:00-16:15. Come and learn about how women have transformed politics and opened the door to political diversity. Nancy Pelosi, Madison Nguyen, Cindy Chavez, and Hillary Clinton represent a few examples!

Enlivened & Wild: Reconnecting with Nature.

HRMT 96FQ – 48332 – MW 9:00-10:15. In this course we will return to an awareness of and appreciation for the natural world through direct exposure to nature on our beautiful campus.

Good Grief! Surviving and Thriving after a Loss.

HRMT 96GQ – 48333 – MW 10:30-11:45. Loss may be a natural part of life, but it can be painful and often feel threatening to our survival. Together we will learn to survive and be a good support to others during this life experience.

Play and Creativity.

HRMT 96HQ - 48334 – MW 9:00-10:15. Plato said, “You can learn more about a person in an hour of Play than in a lifetime of conversation.” Come see for yourself as we juggle, struggle, and giggle our way into scholarship.

Rites of Passage: The Sacred, Mythic and Mundane.

HRMT 96IQ – 48335 – MW 9:00- 10:15. Learn how to make your life transitions (such as going to college, getting married, and witnessing death) deeply rich, meaningful, and unforgettable.

Creativity and Passion in the Classroom and Beyond.

HRMT 96JQ – 48336 – TR 12:00-13:15. Do you want to learn more about creativity, SJSU resources and yourself, all while having fun with your classmates? Then, this class is for you!

Understanding Your Health: Health and Academic Success - It's All Connected!

HS 001FQ – 48349 – MW 9:00-10:15. Animals, music and health - it's all connected; come and find out how!

Adventures and Journeys Abroad: The Path to Global Citizenship.

HS 96FQ – 48350 – W only 15:00-16:15. Join the Adventure! Learn about how travel, cultural immersion, and personal exploration can change lives.

Gays, Jews, Race, and American History: Kushner's “Angels in America”.

JWSS 96FQ – 48396 – TR 10:30-11:45. Spend a semester with one challenging, powerful play—*Angels in America*—and explore lots of hot topics--AIDS, religion, race, Reagan-era American history, and more.

AREA E (CON'T)

Social Inequality and Social Justice.

JS 96FQ – 48232 – TR 13:30-14:45. This course analyses social inequality as an intersecting phenomenon of privileges and penalties that relate to race, class, gender, sexuality, ability and nation.

Modern Music in the United States during the Twentieth Century.

KIN 96HQ – 48351 - MW 15:00-16:15. Passionate about music? This class offers you a chance to study the music that changes our lives.

Sex Education and Society.

LLD 96FQ Sec 1 – 48337 – TR 9:00-10:15.

LLD 96FQ Sec 2 - 48338 - TR 10:30-11:45.

Learn how sex education affects both you personally and our society as a whole by getting involved in the local community.

Sex, Drugs and Rock 'n' Roll.

MCOM 96FQ Sec 1 – 48343 – MW 13:30-14:45.

MCOM 96FQ Sec 2 – 48344 – MW 15:00-16:15.

MCOM 96FQ Sec 3 – 48345 – TR 9:00-10:15.

MCOM 96FQ Sec 4 – 48346 - TR 10:30-11:45.

Love music? This course focuses on the musical and cultural impact of that uniquely American genre of music, Rock 'n' Roll.

Get Internet Famous!

MCOM 96GQ Sec 1 – 48339 – MW 10:30-11:45.

MCOM 96GQ Sec 2 – 48340 – MW 12:00-13:15.

MCOM 96GQ Sec 3 – 48341 – MW 15:00-16:15.

A fast paced, exciting Internet content development and deployment environment for the creation, production and delivery of textual, audio and video content delivery for new media.

C3: Chocolate, Caffeine and Carbs: Fueling Hectic College Lifestyles for Health and Fitness.

NUFS 96FQ – 48240 – MW 13:30-14:45. Explore the confusing maze of nutrition information with this fun class that examines nutrition topics relevant to college students.

The American Identity.

PSYC 96GQ – 48255 – TR 9:00-10:15. Learn of the psychological effects of power, prejudice, and oppression on development. Explore thoughts, feelings, and biases regarding racism from a psychological context.

Latino/a Identity.

PSYC 96HQ – 48253 – TR 10:30-11:45. Develop an understanding of Latino/a cultures and lifestyles, and the psychological effects of power, prejudice, and oppression on one's psychological development.

Spartan Identity!

PSYC 96IQ – 48254 – TR 12:00-13:15. Analyze aspects of your identity development from a psychological perspective as the next generation of college freshmen at SJSU!

AREA E (CON'T)

A Long and Winding Road: College, Goals and Dreams.

PSYC 96JQ Sec 1 – 48256 – MW 9:00-10:15.

PSYC 96JQ Sec 2 – 48257 – MW 10:30-11:45.

PSYC 96JQ Sec 3 – 48258 – TR 9:00-10:15.

Explore college student issues at personal, interpersonal, and academic levels, so you can meet the challenges of adulthood and thrive as a person in college and beyond.

ADHD: Chaos Reigns – Life Adventures in Fast Forward.

PSYC 96KQ – 48259 – TR 10:30-11:45. Curious about (your) ADHD or other “hidden” disability? Join us for college and life success in fast forward! Last year’s students said: “This class is amazing!”

The Secrets of Successful and Highly Effective People.

PSYC 96NQ – 48261 – MW 9:00-10:15. Come to this class to become a highly effective person who is productive and achieves goals in relationship and time, stress, and emotion management.

Becoming a Jedi: Success at SJSU.

PSYC 96PQ – 48260 – MW 10:30-11:45. Students will examine lessons and topics from Star Wars to gain personal and academic success skills.

Responsible Citizenship in the Global Community.

SCWK 96FQ – 48347 – MW 9:00-10:15. Are you a U.S. citizen only, or also a citizen of Earth? Address these complex issues!

Self in Society; Personal identity and Social Interaction.

SOCI 96FQ – 48348 – MW 10:30-11:45. Become well integrated, active members of the campus community by learning about small group interactions, personal identities, conflict resolution and communication skills, and social capital.

Beyond Words: Interpreting Body Language and Movement.

TA 48FQ – 48356 – MW 13:30-14:45. Become aware of body language and movement in sports, theatre, and everyday life.