

## **Transfer Year Experience Course Syllabus Outline**

### **Weekly Topics**

1. Introduction: The College Experience at a Research University
2. Making the Most of the Classroom and Re-examining Study Strategies
3. Planning for Career/Professional Schools
4. Academic Integrity and Information Literacy
5. Campus and Community Involvement
6. Personal Well-Being and Academic Success
7. Enhancing Communication Skills in the Classroom
8. Understanding Yourself and Others: Approaches to a Multicultural Campus
9. Research Opportunities, Experiential Learning, and Faculty Engagement
10. Lessons Learned and Planning Forward

### **Subtopics**

- UCSD structure and expectations: What would be different?
- Information for commuters (i.e how to get a bus pass, commuter lounges and the colleges and central campus, transfer orgs, etc)
- Resources for transfers who are veterans, have families, or full time jobs (ie. Veteran Resource Center, Student-Parents Resource)
- Time management
- How to graduate in two years
- Building confidence
- How to apply to graduate programs
- How to interview, write resumes, and cover letters

### **Themes**

1. Why is this important?
2. What're are you going to do and Where are you going to go to help you do it?
3. Common sense view that everyone has that's wrong vs. what's actually right
4. Practicing critical thinking
5. Work/Life/School balance
6. Being proactive in your education and be responsible for your actions and your community
7. Things you're learning how to do now that you're in college are things you'll continue learning how to do for the rest of your life; it's a continuous process