

FALL 2023 COURSES

Thrive!

Unique non-credit courses developed for adults with intellectual disabilities to support their ability to function more independently at home, at work, and in the community.



Frederick Community College

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PROGRAM CATEGORIES

Frederick Community College (FCC) believes learning is a lifelong adventure and welcomes all students. It's the reason we offer a variety of classes for cognitively and developmentally disabled people and those who join them. Thrive classes are designed for students age 16-adult and promote well-being and skills development through fun and creative activities. Our instruction allows for functional independence that transfers into the home, community, and workplace. Whatever you decide to pursue, we have a class for you.

Note: All fall 2023 classes will meet on campus in an in-person environment.



ACADEMIC SKILLS

Keep learning in classes designed to maintain your current academic skills while acquiring new ones. At FCC, we mix academics with fun and creativity to continue learning everyday.



ART & MUSIC EXPLORATION

Join us to discover inspiring creative techniques while celebrating the joy of music and expressing your creative side. Our talented instructors will guide you through the artistic process as you explore your natural abilities, gain new skills, and create your own original works of art and music.



FOOD & COOKING

Let's get cooking ... and eating! Explore the world of food, from making delicious snacks and preparing meals to adding a little more flavor and trying new recipes. By learning how to prepare and cook food while keeping an eye on healthy eating, you will also be able to impress your family and friends by sharing your skills at home.



LIFE & SOCIAL SKILLS

With independent living and enjoying your time with family and friends as the main focus, this selection of classes highlights activities designed to expand your knowledge and abilities, develop your social skills, and increase your levels of independence. Featuring important ways to take care of yourself, stay safe, and have fun, the knowledge you gain is designed to help you both in and outside your home and in your community.



RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Hang out with friends on game night, dance to your favorite music, practice the art of yoga, or discover an interesting new hobby. Especially designed to deliver fun and unique social and recreational experiences, these engaging opportunities often include a wide variety of activities throughout the year.



ACADEMIC SKILLS

SPA204 Fun History Events

Did you know that the history you think you learned might have some interesting details that you didn't know about? You can research attention-grabbing events and find out there's always more to the story. Your reading comprehension skills will improve as you explore the details of historical events you find interesting. You will be able to compare and contrast historical information to draw your own conclusions about what really happened.

Instructor: Augusta Pinson | ID#: 25610 | 6 sessions | Total: \$69

Mon, 9/11 - 10/16 | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. | Braddock Hall/B102

SPA213 Crossover to College

This course is designed for students transitioning from public education into higher education. Through instructional activities, students will experience the expectations of a college level course, explore the support resources on campus, and practice their academic skills to assess their interest and aptitude for college level, credit coursework.

Instructor: Pamela Noble | ID#: 25820 | 12 sessions | Total: \$159

Mon, 9/11 - 12/4 (No Class 11/20) | 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. | Catoctin Hall/C205

Instructor: Courtney Stewart | ID#: 25821 | 12 sessions | Total: \$159

Thu, 9/14 - 12/7 (No Class 11/23) | 2:00 - 3:15 p.m. | Catoctin Hall/C205

SPA200 Math for Daily Life

Practice your math skills and learn new concepts in this class that combines creative activities with fundamental math exercises. Math can be a lot of fun and you will find ways to use it at home, work, and in the community. Bring your paper, pencils, and a calculator so that you can work out problems you might face in daily life.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | ID#: 25577 | 6 sessions | Total: \$69

Tue, 9/12 - 10/17 | 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. | KC100

SPA197 What's that You Read?

Reading opens up your world to new places, people, and ideas. Improve your reading, vocabulary and comprehension skills through discussion, reading excerpts and brief writing exercises. Recognize important supporting details, identify the main idea, and follow the sequence of events to discover the end of the story.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | ID#: 25583 | 6 sessions | Total: \$69

Thu, 9/14 - 10/19 | 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. | Catoctin Hall/C206



SPA198 Get Your Story Straight

Enjoy storytelling and connecting with others through the sharing of popular and personal stories. Get the chance to tell your own story with exciting details and the opportunity to get to know others by asking questions. Learn new vocabulary, improve your comprehension and be able to identify main ideas with supporting details in the story line.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | ID#: 25578 | 12 sessions | Total: \$139

Tue/Thu, 10/24 - 12/7 (No Class 11/21 & 11/23) | 12:45 - 1:45 p.m. | Student Center/H206

ART & MUSIC EXPLORATION**SPA194 Craft Skills Exploration: Paper Crafts**

Students in this course will be encouraged to express their creativity while learning to use a variety of arts and crafts supplies, tools, and techniques. Each class will be designed around a seasonal theme to encourage new understanding of cultural holidays, experiences, and social activities.

Instructor: Faith Kretzer | ID#: 25571 | 6 sessions | Total: \$79

Mon, 9/11 - 10/16 | 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. | Conference Center/E125

NEW! SPA209 Art Exploration

Learn about various art techniques and what makes them unique from each other. Watercolor and Acrylic painting are very different. And would you love to draw before you paint? Following step-by-step guidance from the instructor, you will create your own masterpiece and learn a skill that you can use at home and in the community.

Instructor: Faith Kretzer | 6 sessions | Visual & Performing Arts Center/F118 | Total: \$89

Sculpting with Clay | ID#: 25623 | Mon, 9/11 - 10/16 | 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Mixed Media | ID#: 25614 | Mon, 10/23 - 12/4 (No Class 11/20) | 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

SPA207 Musical Exploration

Learn about musical styles like jazz, rock, country, soul or R&B to learn what makes them distinct from each other. Then, work with your class to create your own music. You will play a variety of instruments as you learn new songs and write your own music with friends.

Instructor: Megan Dewing | ID#: 25576 | 6 sessions | Total: \$124

Tue, 9/12 - 10/17 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Conference Center/E125

SPA120 Love to Draw!

Explore pencil sketching, charcoal, and pastels in this class for artists of all levels. Practice basic drawing skills, and tap into the creative half of your brain as you perform some right-brain exercises and stretch your skills. Draw from real life as well as from imaginative ideas you develop yourself.

Instructor: Richard Nalley | 6 sessions | Visual & Performing Arts Center/F131 | Total: \$89

ID#: 25615 | Tue, 9/12 - 10/17 | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

ID#: 25619 | Thu, 10/26 - 12/7 (No Class 11/23) | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

SPA203 Seasonal Crafts

Express your creative side and make some artwork to decorate your living space. Maybe make a gift for a friend or family member in this class designed to promote following directions and using your imagination at the same time.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | ID#: 25574 | 12 sessions | Total: \$159

Tue, 9/12 - 12/5 (*No Class 11/21*) | 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. | Conference Center/E125

SPA196 Art from Around the World

Explore and celebrate various cultures from around the globe by creating projects representative of those regions. Discuss your opinions about what you find appealing in art and how each culture is expressed differently than others through their art traditions. You'll feel like you have traveled all over the globe as you learn about different people and places by exploring their art and craft traditions.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | ID#: 25581 | 12 sessions | Total: \$159

Thu, 9/14 - 12/7 (*No Class 11/23*) | 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. | Visual & Performing Arts Center/F131

SPA121 Painting with Acrylics

Students will paint landscapes, mix acrylic paint, and learn about perspectives. Art supplies will be provided, however, if you'd like to bring your own materials, contact us for a list of specific supplies.

Instructor: Richard Nalley | 6 sessions | Visual & Performing Arts Center/F131 | Total: \$89

ID#: 25625 | Thu, 9/14 - 10/19 | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

ID#: 25617 | Tue, 10/24 - 12/5 (*No Class 11/21*) | 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

NEW! SPA210 Creative Art Activities

Art can be rewarding when you unleash your creativity and find unique ways to create beauty. This is art for FUN! Work with your instructor to follow the steps of popular art projects like you see on social media. Using everyday items, you can make interesting projects with your friends and family at home.

Instructor: Augusta Pinson | ID#: 25748 | 6 sessions | Total: \$89

Mon, 10/23 - 12/4 (*No Class 11/20*) | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. | Visual & Performing Arts Center/F130

NEW! SPA210 Creative Art Activities: Modge Podge

Art can be rewarding when you unleash your creativity and find unique ways to create beauty. Using everyday items, you can make interesting projects with your friends and family at home.

Instructor: Faith Kretzer | ID#: 25613 | 6 sessions | Total: \$89

Mon, 10/23 - 12/4 (*No Class 11/20*) | 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. | Conference Center/E125

SPA206 Garage Band

Learn a variety of instruments and play popular music. You will work together with your peers to select a song to learn and then deconstruct the music and learn to play it on FCC's instruments. Rehearsals involve learning basic music skills as you collaborate and interact with other musicians.

Instructor: Megan Dewing | ID#: 25579 | 6 sessions | Total: \$124

Tue, 10/24 - 12/5 (*No Class 11/21*) | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Conference Center/E125

FOOD & COOKING

SPA205 Meal Prep Made Simple

Discover the joy of cooking when you prepare recipes created from scratch in this supportive, hands-on cooking class. Learn cooking basics, food handling, and kitchen safety as you create delicious dishes. Recipes will be provided so that you can recreate the meal at home.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | 12 sessions | Conference Center/E125 | Total: \$214

ID#: 25575 | Tue, 9/12 - 12/5 (*No Class 11/21*) | 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

ID#: 25746 | Thu, 9/14 - 12/7 (*No Class 11/23*) | 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

SPA192 Culinary Exploration

This course gives students the opportunity to explore cooking for different purposes, using a variety of techniques. The theme based classes allow the students to explore new cultures, dining traditions, and foods.

Instructor: Kelsey Ray | 6 sessions | Conference Center/E125 | Total: \$144

Bake Sale | ID#: 25582 | Thu, 9/14 - 10/19 | 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Apples | ID#: 25585 | Thu, 10/26 - 12/7 (*No Class 11/23*) | 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

LIFE & SOCIAL SKILLS

SPA202 Self-Determination and Self-Awareness

Understanding oneself is key to being able to decide what choices you should make in life and express what you need to be successful. Join classmates as you explore your strengths and limitations, consider what supports you have available, and make short and long term plans. Build confidence, strengthen communication skills, and learn how to share your talents with the world. This offers the opportunity to make new friends and build community connections.

Instructor: Pamela Noble | ID#: 25611 | 6 sessions | Total: \$105

Wed, 9/13 - 10/18 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Student Center/H206

SPA199 Creative Social Skills

Activities in this creative, interactive, and confidential group will be driven by the strengths, interests, needs, and requests of the participants. Explore topics including how to deal with personal feelings, differences in communication styles, relationships, your personal rights and responsibilities, making safe choices and decisions, dealing with change or loss, and topics of timely interest. Collaborate with your peers to participate in a variety of creative activities to express yourself and learn about others.

Instructor: Augusta Pinson | ID#: 25580 | 12 sessions | Total: \$139

Wed, 9/13 - 12/6 (*No Class 11/22*) | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. | Student Center/H248



Register for classes at frederick.edu/Thrive

SPA195 Financial Literacy for Independence

Independence depends on a person's ability to make good decisions with their resources. In this course, students will explore a variety of topics related to personal finances. Peer support and information sharing give the opportunity to discover new ideas and perspectives. Each class will provide information and then offer an opportunity to respond to the participant's current needs.

Instructor: Pamela Noble | ID#: 25612 | 6 sessions | Total: \$105

Wed, 10/25 - 12/6 (*No Class 11/22*) | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Catoctin Hall/C206

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

NEW! SPA211 Minute to Win It

Hone your competition skills in this fun, interactive class that encourages laughter and community building. Build your problem solving and motivation skills as you work with, or against, your peers to conquer creative challenges and games.

Instructor: Faith Kretzer | 6 sessions | Conference Center/E136 | Total: \$69

ID#: 25621 | Mon, 9/11 - 10/16 | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

ID#: 25741 | Mon, 10/23 - 12/4 (*No Class 11/20*) | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

SPA143 Yoga: Breathe & Flow

Learn to reduce stress while calming the body and mind in this gentle and Hatha inspired yoga class. This class will help you learn to regulate stress in everyday life. Students should wear comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. Yoga mats will be provided but students are encouraged to bring their own mat so they can continue yoga at home.

Instructor: Teresa Holler | ID#: 25572 | 9 sessions | Total: \$115

Mon, 9/11 - 11/6 (*No Class 3/23*) | 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. | TBA

SPA155 Latinx Dances with Rosa

Get your move on when you learn traditional Latino dances, step-by-step. Warm up those extremities, learn about the culture of the Latino community, jive to the music, and cool on down in this hands-on class that will get your blood flowing. Be sure to wear something comfortable that is easy to move in and keep a bottle of water nearby.

Instructor: Rosa Raez Garcia | 6 sessions | Visual & Performing Arts Center/F145 | Total: \$69

ID#: 25584 | Thu, 9/14 - 10/19 | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

ID#: 25749 | Thu, 10/26 - 12/7 (*No Class 11/23*) | 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

SPA176 Table Games

Fine tune your game playing skills for a family or friends game night! Learn to read and follow the directions, identify the goals, and apply strategies to the game. Whether working as a team with classmates, or focusing on personal game winning success, learn new vocabulary, accept challenges, and celebrate a win, even if the win is just having fun!

Instructor: Augusta Pinson | ID#: 25573 | 3 sessions | Total: \$109

Mon, 11/13 - 12/4 (*No Class 11/20*) | 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. | TBA



FALL 2023 REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, JUNE 5.

Register for classes today.
Scan the QR code or visit
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Questions?
Contact Heather Hinkle, Program Manager, Thrive
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