FIG Guide

Get the most out of your time at the university by joining a First-Year Interest Group (FIG) during fall term. FIGs bring groups of 20 freshmen together for a unique academic experience. FIG students take three courses together during fall term: two lecture courses and a 1-credit College Connections course.

FIGs are all about making connections! In a FIG, freshmen:

- Connect with faculty
- Connect with an undergraduate mentor
- Connect academic courses from different disciplines
- Connect with an academic theme
- Connect with peers
- Connect with campus and the Eugene community

The FIG Guide will help you explore your FIG options. For fall 2016 we have over 50 FIGs – something for everyone!

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Two Carnegie Global Oregon FIG students discuss a book with Professor Shaul Cohen over a meal on campus.
Theme Categories - Description - FIG List

While each FIG is distinct (with different course pairings and academic topics), FIGs are grouped together by overarching themes into nine categories. Find themes below that interest you, and then start exploring your FIG options!

**Art of Storytelling**
*Make sense of the world around us through stories and art*

Politically Creative  
Portable Life Museum  
Our Storied Past  
Stories We Tell  
The Joke is on You  
Visualize a Better World  
War and Peace

**Becoming Human**
*Discover our humanity through science*

Animal Behavior  
Human Genome  
Speak Your Mind  
The Far Side

**Breaking Barriers**
*Investigate how different perspectives shape communities*

Breaking the Wall  
Face to Face  
Human Hierarchies  
Tomato, Tomäto
Culture in Review
Examine cultures and subcultures through a discerning lens

Carnegie Global Oregon (CHALLENGE) (ARC)
Education Revolution
Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner
Hidden History
Hip Hop & Politics of Race (CHALLENGE)
First & Forced: Indigenous Peoples, Race, and Gender (CHALLENGE)
Justice Matters (CHALLENGE)
Social Progress, Social Change

Going Green
Delve in to how we affect the environment and how it affects us

Chemistry in Nature
Chemistry of Climate Change
Chemistry of Sustainability
Digging Up History
Justice, Beauty, and Nature
Science for Social Change
Urban Garden

Passport to Adventure
Explore a region and start on your path to studying abroad

Bella Italia!
European Grand Tour
Development Safari
Vamos lá Brasil!
Vive la France!
Yalla Arabia!

Limelight
Explore creative impulses through the arts

Explicit Content: Love, Sex, and Film
Read Like You Mean It
World Theater (CHALLENGE)
Science and Society
Solve problems and make an impact on the world through science

Mapping without Borders
Risky Business
Rock ’n’ Physics
Science in the News
Science of Learning
Startups from the Ground Up

World Happenings
Investigate life outside of the U.S.

Cultural Encounters
Digital Humanitarians
Exploring Africa (CHALLENGE)
It’s a Smaller World After All
Students without Borders
World within Us

Challenge FIGs
Carnegie Global Oregon (CHALLENGE) (ARC)
Exploring Africa (CHALLENGE)
First and Forced (CHALLENGE)
Hip Hop & Politics of Race (CHALLENGE)
Justice Matters (CHALLENGE)
World Theater (CHALLENGE)

Additional information about the College Connections faculty member and the FIG Assistant can be found at the Meet Your FIG page on our website:

• fyp.uoregon.edu/content/finding-fig-you
FIG ConFIGurations
(alphabetical order)

In the ConFIGurations section the FIGs are listed alphabetically and show all of the courses that make up the FIG.

Animal Behavior
ANTH 171 Introduction to Monkeys and Apes
BI 132 Introduction to Animal Behavior
ANTH 199 College Connections

Bella Italia!
ITAL 101 First-Year Italian
ITAL 150 Cultural Legacies of Italy
ITAL 199 College Connections

Breaking the Wall
GER 221 Postwar Germany: Nation Divided
PSY 202 Mind and Society
GER 199 College Connections

ARC CHALLENGE
Carnegie Global Oregon
(Three-term FIG. Read about this unique FIG below.)
GEOG 142 Introduction to Human Geography
ANTH 161 World Cultures
GEOG 199 College Connections

Chemistry in Nature*
CH 221 General Chemistry
CH 227 General Chemistry Laboratory
CH 199 College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below

Chemistry of Climate Change*
CH 221 General Chemistry
CH 227 General Chemistry Laboratory
CH 199 College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below
### Chemistry of Sustainability*
- CH 221  General Chemistry
- CH 227  General Chemistry Laboratory
- CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below

### Cultural Encounters
- SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
- INTL 240  Perspectives on International Development
- SOC 199  College Connections

### Development Safari
- SWAH 101  First Year Swahili
- INTL 240  Perspectives on International Development
- SWAH 199  College Connections

### Digging Up History
- ANTH 150  World Archaeology
- ENVS 201  Introduction to Environmental Studies: Social Sciences
- ANTH 199  College Connections

### Digital Humanitarians
- INTL 101  Introduction to International Issues
- GEOG 181  Our Digital Earth
- INTL 199  College Connections

### Education Revolution
- EDST 111  Educational Issues and Problems
- ES 101  Introduction to Ethnic Studies
- EDST 199  College Connections

### European Grand Tour
- HIST 101  Western Civilization I: Ancient to Medieval
- HUM 101  Introduction to the Humanities I
- HIST 199  College Connections

### Explicit Content: Love, Sex, and Film
- GER 258  German Culture and Thought: Sexuality
- ENG 265  History of the Motion Picture
- GER 199  College Connections
CHALLENGE

Exploring Africa
INTL 345  Africa Today
ANTH 161  World Cultures
INTL 199  College Connections

Face to Face
SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
J 201   Media and Society
J 199   College Connections

First and Forced: Indigenous Peoples, Race, and Gender Studies
ES 256  Introduction to Native American Studies
WGS 321  Feminist Perspectives: Identity, Race, and Culture
ES 199  College Connections

Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner
REL 211  Early Judaism
ENG 107  World Literature
REL 199  College Connections

Hidden History
HIST 201  History of the United States
ES 101  Introduction to Ethnic Studies
HIST 199  College Connections

CHALLENGE

Hip Hop & Politics of Race
MUS 360  Hip-Hop: History, Culture, Aesthetics
ES 101  Introduction to Ethnic Studies
MUS 199  College Connections

Human Genome*
CH 221  General Chemistry
CH 227  General Chemistry Laboratory
CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below

Human Hierarchies
WGS 101  Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies
SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
WGS 199  College Connections
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### Risky Business
- EC 101  Contemporary Economic Issues
- PSY 202  Mind and Society
- EC 199  College Connections

### Rock 'n' Physics
- PHYS 152  Physics of Sound and Music
- PHYS 199  College Connections

### Science for Social Change*
- CH 221  General Chemistry
- ENVS 201  Introduction to Environmental Studies: Social Sciences
- CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below

### Science in the News*
- CH 221  General Chemistry
- CH 227  General Chemistry Laboratory
- CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below

### Science of Learning*
- CH 221  General Chemistry
- PSY 201  Mind and Brain
- CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below

### Social Progress, Social Change
- ES 101  Introduction to Ethnic Studies
- WGS 101  Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies
- ES 199  College Connections

### Speak Your Mind
- LING 101  Introduction to Language
- PSY 201  Mind and Brain
- LING 199  College Connections

### Startups from the Ground Up
- CIS 111  Introduction to Web Programming
- BA 101  Introduction to Business
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Course prerequisites and corequisites:

* CH 221 General Chemistry: Prerequisite: high school chemistry; prerequisite or corequisite: MATH 111. Concurrent CH 227 or 237 recommended.

Challenge FIGs

**CHALLENGE FIGs** give students a distinctive academic experience because one of the courses in each challenge FIG is at the intermediate 300 level. They are smaller than the courses in many of the other FIGs, and are intended to encourage motivated students to explore subjects in depth.

What is unique about Carnegie Global Oregon?

The Carnegie Global Oregon Challenge FIG is the only FIG that continues for three terms, and is also the only FIG that is an **Academic Residential Community (ARC)**. Students in an ARC live together in the residence halls. ARC selection will supersede your housing preferences for special-interest halls and room types. For more information, visit housing.uoregon.edu/academics

After the fall FIG courses, students enroll in 1-credit seminars in winter and spring to continue exploring the CGO theme. The majority of CGO students remain active in this vibrant learning community throughout their years at the university. This provides a supportive mix for sophomores, juniors, and seniors who meet weekly for class and a meal to explore areas of ethical concern. For more information, visit carnegieglobals.uoregon.edu
Clark Honors College Students

To avoid duplicating course work, honors college students may enroll in only one FIG in May. This FIG is called Carnegie Global Oregon, and is open to students interested in ethics. If you are planning to major in biology, chemistry, or human physiology and are interested in joining a FIG, we encourage you to see us at IntroDUCKtion.