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
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The FIG Guide will help you explore your FIG options. For fall 2018 we have over 50 FIGs – something for everyone!

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Students in the Speak Your Mind FIG spend time in the UO Brain Development lab with Professor Charlotte Vaughn
While each FIG is distinct (with different course pairings and academic topics), FIGs are grouped together by overarching themes into seven 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*

- Comics and Personal Storytelling
- Finding Your Voice
- Music in World Culture: Africa (CHALLENGE)
- Night Out: Eugene Theater
- Our Storied Past
- Remixed Media, ©ritiquing ©ulture
- Stories We Tell
- Thinking Images (CHALLENGE)
- War and Peace

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

- Animal Behavior
- Human Genome
- Humans: An Origin Story
- Speak Your Mind
- The Far Side
Breaking Barriers
Investigate how different perspectives shape communities

Breaking the Wall
Face to Face
He, She, Xe, They: Gender and Power
Human Hierarchies
Media Mirror
(Re)defining Gender?
Students without Borders (CLUSTER)
Tomato, Tomàto

Culture in Review
Examine cultures and subcultures through a discerning lens

Education Revolution
Enduring Tensions
Hidden History
Hip Hop & Politics of Race (CHALLENGE)
Human Possibilities
Just Futures
Justice Matters (CHALLENGE)
Pass the Mic (CHALLENGE)
Social Progress, Social Change
Twelve Bars from Freedom (CHALLENGE)

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

Chemistry in Nature
Chemistry of Sustainability
Edible History
Food and the Garden
Food Matters
Oregon Outside
Science for Social Change (CHALLENGE)
**Passport to World Cultures**
Explore a region and start on your path to studying abroad

Annabi ‘Arabi!
Bella Italia!
Carnegie Global Oregon (CHALLENGE) (ARC)
Development Safari
From Cuauhtémoc to Cumbia (CLUSTER)
Gurus and Governors
International Outlook
Modern Families

**Science and Society**
Solve problems and make an impact on the world through science

Making Sense of Numbers
Mapping without Borders
Risky Business
Rock ’n’ Physics
Science in the News
Startups from the Ground Up
The Secrets to Success in STEM
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

Annabi ‘Arabi!
ARB 101   First Year Arabic
REL 233   Introduction to Islam
ARB 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
SOC 204   Introduction to Sociology
GER 199  College Connections

ARC CHALLENGE
Carnegie Global Oregon
(Three-term FIG. Read about this unique FIG at the end of the FIG Guide.)
GEOG 142  Introduction to Human Geography
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, registration at IntroDUCKtion
Chemistry of Sustainability*
CH 221 General Chemistry
CH 227 General Chemistry Laboratory
CH 199 College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion

Comics and Personal Storytelling
ENG 280 Introduction to Comic Studies
ARH 210 Contemporary Asian Art and Architecture
UGST 199 College Connections

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

Edible History
ENVS 225 Introduction to Food Studies
HIST 215 Food in World History
ENVS 199 College Connections

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

Enduring Tensions
PS 201 US Politics
HIST 211 Reacting to the Past
PS 199 College Connections

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

Finding Your Voice
TA 271 Introduction to Theater Arts
COLT 101 Introduction to Comparative Literature
TA 199 College Connections

Food & the Garden
LA 260 Understanding Landscapes
ENVS 225 Introduction to Food Studies
LA 199 College Connections
Food Matters
ENVS 225  Introduction to Food Studies
HIST 215  Food in World History
ENVS 199  College Connections

From Cuauhtémoc to Cumbia±
LAS 200  Introduction to Latin American Studies
LAS 199  College Connections
±cluster FIG, see below for third course options

Gurus and Governors
REL 101  World Religions: Asian Traditions
HIST 211  Reacting to the Past
REL 199  College Connections

He, She, Xe, They: Gender and Power
LING 201  Introduction to Language
WGS 101  Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies
LING 199  College Connections

Hidden History
HIST 211  Reacting to the Past
ES 256  Introduction to Native American 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, registration at IntroDUCKtion

Human Hierarchies
WGS 101  Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies
SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
WGS 199  College Connections
Human Possibilities
PHIL 110 Human Nature
PS 106 Power, Politics and Inequality
PHIL 199 College Connections

Humans: An Origin Story
ANTH 270 Introduction to Biological Anthropology
SOC 204 Introduction to Sociology
ANTH 199 College Connections

International Outlook
PS 205 Introduction to International Relations
J 201 Media and Society
PS 199 College Connections

Just Futures
ENVS 203 Introduction to Environmental Studies: Humanities
ES 101 Introduction to Ethnic Studies
ENVS 199 College Connections

CHALLENGE
Justice Matters
PHIL 307 Social and Political Philosophy
HIST 201 Inventing America
PHIL 199 College Connections

Making Sense of Numbers*
CH 111 Introduction to Chemical Principles
MATH 101 Algebra
CH 199 College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion

Mapping without Borders
GEOG 181 Our Digital Earth
CIS 110 Fluency with Information Technology
GEOG 199 College Connections

Media Mirror
PSY 202 Mind and Society
J 201 Media and Society
J 199 College Connections
### Modern Families
- **INTL 101**  Introduction to International Issues
- **FHS 213**  Issues for Children and Families
- **INTL 199**  College Connections

### CHALLENGE
#### Music in World Culture: Africa
- **DAN 251**  Looking at Dance
- **MUS 358**  Music in World Culture
- **DAN 199**  College Connections

#### Night Out: Eugene Theater
- **TA 271**  Introduction to Theater Arts
- **PPPM 280**  Introduction to the Nonprofit Sector
- **TA 199**  College Connections

#### Oregon Outside
- **GEOL 203**  History of Life
- **GEOG 141**  The Natural Environment
- **GEOL 199**  College Connections

### Our Storied Past
- **SCAN 259**  Vikings through the Icelandic Sagas
- **ANTH 163**  Origins of Storytelling
- **SCAN 199**  College Connections

### CHALLENGE
#### Pass the Mic
- **MUS 151**  Popular Songwriting+
- **CINE 230**  Remix Cultures
- **MUS 199**  College Connections
  +online course

#### (Re)defining Gender?
- **GER 251**  German Culture and Thought: Sexuality
- **WGS 101**  Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies
- **GER 199**  College Connections

### Remixing Media, ©ritiquing ©ulture
- **CINE 230**  Remix Cultures
- **ARTD 250**  Print Media Digital Arts
- **CINE 199**  College Connections
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

CHALLENGE
Science for Social Change*
CH 111  Introduction to Chemical Principles
ENVS 345  Environmental Ethics
CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion

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

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 110  Fluency with Information Technology
BA 101  Introduction to Business
CIS 199  College Connections

Stories We Tell
SCAN 251  Text and Interpretation
PHIL 110  Human Nature
SCAN 199  College Connections
Students without Borders
PSY 202  Mind and Society
PSY 199  College Connections
±cluster FIG, see below for third course options

The Far Side
BI 132  Introduction to Animal Behavior
PSY 201  Mind and Brain
PSY 199  College Connections

The Secrets to Success in STEM*
CH 221  General Chemistry
MATH 111  College Algebra
CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion

CHALLENGE
Thinking Images
PHIL 332  Philosophy of Film
CINE 265  History of Motion Pictures
PHIL 199  College Connections

Tomato, Tomàto
LING 201  Language and Power
SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
LING 199  College Connections

CHALLENGE
Twelve Bars from Freedom
ES 352  Social Equity & Criminal Justice
MUS 270  History of the Blues
ES 199  College Connections

War and Peace
RUSS 204  Introduction to Russian Literature
HIST 240  War in the Modern World I
RUSS 199  College Connections
**Chemistry FIGs** Registration information, course prerequisites and corequisites

For CH 221 General Chemistry: Prerequisite: high school chemistry; prerequisite or corequisite: MATH 111. Concurrent CH 227 or 237 is recommended. For CH 111 Introduction to Chemical Principles: Prerequisite: Math 095.

Chemistry FIG enrollment will not take place online through Duckweb. Instead, you can join a chemistry FIG at IntroDUCKtion, after you have met with an advisor. Remember to take your math placement test before coming to IntroDUCKtion. Your advisor will use the test score to help you select the right chemistry track.

**Chemistry FIGs - LIST**

- Chemistry in Nature
- Chemistry of Sustainability
- Human Genome
- Making Sense of Numbers
- Science for Social Change (CHALLENGE)
- Science in the News
- The Secrets to Success in STEM

**Challenge FIGs**

**CHALLENGE FIGs** give students a distinct 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 students to explore subjects in depth.

**Challenge FIGs - LIST**

- Carnegie Global Oregon (CHALLENGE) (ARC)
- Hip Hop & Politics of Race (CHALLENGE)
- Justice Matters (CHALLENGE)
- Music in World Culture: Africa (CHALLENGE)
- Pass the MIC (CHALLENGE)
- Science for Social Change (CHALLENGE)
- Thinking Images (CHALLENGE)
- Twelve Bars from Freedom (CHALLENGE)
Cluster FIGs

Cluster FIGs consist of only one required general education course. A secondary 4-5 credit course is required, but students will choose one from a list of options. (Students are responsible for enrolling themselves in the course they select through Duckweb.)

Cluster FIGs - LIST

From Cuauhtémoc to Cumbia

*Course options* – Portuguese Language *(PORT 101 or 201)*, PORT 301 Expressoes Artisticas, Spanish Language *(SPAN 101, 201)*, SPAN 150 Culture of the Spanish Speaking World (taught in English); SPAN 218 Latino Heritage; SPAN 238 Spanish Around the World; SPAN 305 Cambios Socials; SPAN 308 Comunidades Bilingues

Students without Borders

*Course options* - INTL 340 Global Health and Development, BI 121 Intro to Human Physiology, PS 205 Introduction to International Relations, HYPY 212 Evidence, Inference, and Biostatistics

Reacting to the Past FIGs

Reacting to the Past courses consist of elaborate role playing games, set in specific historical time periods. The course instructor will act as the gamemaster, determining student roles, preparing students to play, and occasionally guiding the games as they develop. Students learn to construct arguments from historical texts and then support positions through writing and speeches. Small class size. Credits count toward the general education social science group requirement.

Reacting to the Past FIGs - LIST

Enduring Tensions
Gurus and Governors
Hidden History
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, and instructions on how to apply to be a part of this FIG, 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 during Advanced Registration on Duckweb. 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.