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 2019 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 Vaughan
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*

Finding Your Voice (FIG RUNWAY)
My Visual Story
Night Out: Eugene Theatre (DEEP-DIVE)
Our Storied Past
Remixing Media, ©ritiquing ©ulture (DEEP-DIVE)
Stories We Tell
Tales and Traditions: Africa (DEEP-DIVE)
Thinking Media
War and Peace

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

Animal Behavior (DEEP-DIVE)
Human Genome
Humans: An Origin Story
Paging Dr. Darwin (CLUSTER)
Oregon Outside (DEEP-DIVE)
Speak Your Mind
**Breaking Barriers**  
*Investigate how different perspectives shape communities*

(Anti)Social Media (FIG RUNWAY)  
Breaking the Wall  
Brilliant Imperfections (DEEP-DIVE)  
Face to Face  
Human Hierarchies  
Media Mirror  
Money & Me  
Students without Borders (CLUSTER)  
This is Me  
Tomato, Tomàto (FIG RUNWAY)

**Culture in Review**  
*Examine cultures and subcultures through a discerning lens*

Conflicting Experiences (CLUSTER)  
Edible Activism (DEEP-DIVE)  
Education Revolution  
Enduring Tensions  
Hidden History  
Hip Hop & Politics of Sampling (DEEP-DIVE)  
Just Futures  
Pass the Mic (DEEP-DIVE)  
Social Progress, Social Change

**Going Green**  
*Delve into how we affect the environment and how it affects us*

Analyzing Our Environment (CLUSTER)  
Buses, Bikes & Automobiles  
Chemistry of Sustainability  
Edible History  
Food and the Garden  
Food Matters  
Inside Architecture (DEEP-DIVE)
Passport to World Cultures
Explore a region and start on your path to studying abroad

Becoming Bilingual
Bella Italia!
Carnegie Global Oregon (DEEP-DIVE) (ARC)
Development Safari
Gurus and Governors
International Outlook
Maps that Tell Stories (CLUSTER)
Say What?

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

A Trip Down Memory Lane (DEEP-DIVE)
Exploring Planets
Making Sense of Numbers
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.

FIG RUNWAY
(anti)Social Media
PHIL 130 Philosophy & Popular Culture
J 201 Media and Society
CINE 199 College Connections

DEEP-DIVE
A Trip Down Memory Lane
GEOL 306 Volcanoes & Earthquake
ANTH 163 Origins of Storytelling
GEOL 199 College Connections

Analyzing Our Environment ±
CIS 122 Introduction to Programming and Problem Solving
CIS 199 College Connections
±cluster FIG, see below for third course options

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

Becoming Bilingual
SPAN 111 Intensive Beginning Spanish
LING 199 How to Learn Languages
SPAN 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
DEEP-DIVE

Brilliant Imperfection
PHIL 335  Medical Ethics
SOC 207  Social Inequality
PHIL 199  College Connections

Buses, Bikes & Automobiles: Access to Transportation
LING 201  Language and Power
PPPM 205  Introduction to City Planning
PPPM 199  College Connections

ARC DEEP DIVE

Carnegie Global Oregon
(Three-term FIG. Read about this unique FIG at the end of the FIG Guide.)
GEOG 341  Population and Environment
GEOG 199  College Connections

Chemistry of Sustainability*
CH 221  General Chemistry
CH 227  General Chemistry Laboratory
CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion

Conflicting Experiences ±
HIST 240  War in the Modern World I
HIST 199  College Connections
±cluster FIG, see below for third course options

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

DEEP-DIVE

Edible Activism
PHIL 110  Human Nature
ANTH 329  Immigration and Farmworkers
PHIL 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**
HIST 211  Reacting to the Past
TA 250  Acting I
HIST 199  College Connections

**Exploring Planets**
GEOL 201  Dynamic Planet Earth
PHYS 201  General Physics
GEOL 199  College Connections

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

**FIG RUNWAY**
**Finding Your Voice**
TA 271  Introduction to Theater Arts
COLT 101  Introduction to Comparative Literature
TA 199  Runway Seminar

**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

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

**Hidden History**
HIST 211  Reacting to the Past
ES 256  Introduction to Native American Studies
HIST 199  College Connections
DEEP-DIVE

**Hip Hop & Politics of Sampling**
MUS 360  Hip-Hop: History, Culture, Aesthetics
CINE 230  Remix Cultures
CINE 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**
INTL 101  Introduction to International Issues
SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
INTL 199  College Connections

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

DEEP-DIVE

**Inside Architecture**
ARCH 201  Introduction to Architecture
ARH 314  History of World Architecture I
ARCH 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

**Making Sense of Numbers**
CH 111  Introduction to Chemical Principles
MATH 111  College Algebra
CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion
Maps That Tell Stories ±
GEOG 201 World Regional Geography
GEOG 199 College Connections
±cluster FIG, see below for third course options

Media Mirror
PSY 202 Mind and Society
J 201 Media and Society
J 199 College Connections

Money and Me
EC 101 Contemporary Economic Issues
GER 250 Culture of Money
GER 199 College Connections

My Visual Story
ENG 280 Introduction to Comic Studies
ENVS 203 Introduction to Environmental Studies: Humanities
UGST 199 College Connections

DEEP-DIVE
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
BI 132 Introduction to Animal Behavior
GEOL 199 College Connections

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

Paging Dr. Darwin ±
ANTH 175 Evolutionary Medicine
ANTH 199 College Connections
±cluster FIG, see below for third course options
DEEP-DIVE
Pass the MIC
MUS 151  Popular Songwriting+
CINE 230  Remix Cultures
MUS 199  College Connections
+online course

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

Say What?
LING 199  How to Learn Languages
Students chose a language:
ARB 101 First-Year Arabic, CHN 101 First-Year Chinese, PORT 101 First-Year Portuguese
LING 199  College Connections

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
WGS 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

DEEP-DIVE
Tales and Traditions: Africa
DAN 301  African Dance Aesthetics
FLR 225  Voices of Africa
DAN 199  College Connections

The Secrets to Success in STEM*
CH 221  General Chemistry
MATH 112  Elementary Functions
CH 199  College Connections
* check pre- or corequisites below, registration at IntroDUCKtion

Thinking Media
PHIL 130  Philosophy and Popular Culture
J 201  Media and Society
PHIL 199  College Connections

This is Me
J 201  Media and Society
PSY 202  Mind and Society
J 199  College Connections

FIG RUNWAY
Tomato, Tomàto
LING 201  Language and Power
SOC 204  Introduction to Sociology
LING 199  Runway Seminar

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: C- or better in MATH 111, MATH 112. Concurrent CH 227 or 237 is recommended. For CH 111 Introduction to Chemical Principles: prerequisite or corequisite: MATH 111.

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 of Sustainability
Human Genome
Making Sense of Numbers
Science in the News
The Secrets to Success in STEM

**DEEP-DIVE FIGs**

**DEEP-DIVE FIGs** give students a distinct academic experience because they create an immersive learning environment. Some of the DEEP-DIVE FIGs have an intermediate course (which may include 300 level), which are smaller than the courses in many of the other FIGs, and are intended to encourage students to explore subjects in depth. Other DEEP-DIVE FIGs have projects, students groups, performances and more that allow students to really dive deep into subject matter.

**DEEP DIVE FIGs - LIST**

A Trip Down Memory Lane (DEEP-DIVE)
Animal Behavior (DEEP-DIVE)
Brilliant Imperfection (DEEP-DIVE)
Carnegie Global Oregon (DEEP-DIVE) (ARC)
Edible Activism (DEEP-DIVE)
Hip Hop & Politics of Sampling (DEEP-DIVE)
Inside Architecture (DEEP-DIVE)
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Remixing Media, ©ritiquing ©ulture (DEEP-DIVE)
Tales and Traditions (DEEP-DIVE)
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

Analyzing Our Environment

Course options – CH 111 Introduction to Chemical Principles, GEOG 141 The Natural Environment, ENVS 202 Introduction to Environmental Studies: Natural Sciences

Conflicting Experiences

Course options - INTL 101 Introduction to International Issues, SOC 204 Introduction to Sociology, GEOG 181 Our Digital Earth, GEOG 142 Introduction to Human Geography, MIL 121 Military Science I, PS 106 Power, Politics and Inequality, PS 111 Introduction to Political Science

Maps That Tell Stories

Course options - GEOG 181 Our Digital Earth, GEOG 141 The Natural Environment, ANTH 161 Intro to Cultural Anthropology, J 201 Media and Society

Paging Dr. Darwin

Course options - BI 121 Intro to Human Physiology, PS 205 Introduction to International Relations, HYPY 212 Evidence, Inference, and Biostatistics

Students Without Borders

Course options – - BI 121 Intro to Human Physiology, PS 205 Introduction to International Relations, ANTH 175 Evolutionary Medicine

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
FIG Runways
The Runways program lets students build their first-year around tracking down answers to big, urgent, interesting questions—and blaze a path through their Core Education requirements. Students take a year-long seminar (1 credit in fall, 1 credit in winter, 2 in spring—ALL counting for Core Ed) with one professor and 23 peers. Each seminar is built around a Big Question and includes 2 Core Ed satisfying course linked to the year-long seminar each term. FIG Runways will begin as a FIG in the fall and continue through the runway in winter and spring terms. Each FIG Runway will include a peer mentor called the FIG Assistant (FA).

FIG Runways - LIST

(Anti)Social Media: What does offline human interaction mean in an increasingly online world?
Finding Your Voice: How does personal voice transform classroom experience and shape research?
Tomato, Tomäto: How does language impact our lives?

What is unique about Carnegie Global Oregon?
The Carnegie Global Oregon DEEP-DIVE FIG continues for three terms, and is the only FIG that also has some students in their cohort who are part of an Academic Residential Community (ARC).

Carnegie Global Oregon students will all be enrolled in the same courses. Students who do NOT want to live with the community will sign up through the FIG Program. Students who want to be in the ARC and live together in the residence halls will sign up through Housing. Please note that 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 the ARC, 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 carnegieglobal.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.