A long journey ...
On the cover: Curry students Hani Al Rubaee and Alayaa Humairi.
East meets West on the Curry Campus

It’s a long way from Iraq to Brookings, Oregon. No one knows this better than Hani Al Rubaee and Alyaa Humairi, students at the Curry Campus of Southwestern Oregon Community College. Even though the married couple both have degrees from a University in Iraq, their degrees are not recognized in the U.S. so they decided to start over again.

Alyaa’s dream of becoming a Pharmacist was almost impossible in Iraq due to bureaucratic constraints. She hoped to earn that Pharmacology degree in America, but there are language barriers since she doesn’t speak English fluently. As a result, Hani decided to set his goal to achieve that dream for her, and now both of them are students at the Curry Campus pursuing degrees. Alyaa’s pursuing a Pharmacy Technician certificate as well as an Associate of Arts, Oregon Transfer (AA/OT) degree. Hani was looking to transfer to a California college for his Pharmacy Degree but wants to stay at the Curry Campus as long as he can and is working with Jaimee Belzer at Southwestern’s University Center to find options in Oregon.

The Pharmacy Technician Program is a one-year certificate that prepares students to assist pharmacists in preparing and dispensing medications. This program is supported online. Many of the general education classes are available at the Curry Campus.

The couple’s journey started in 2014. Hani worked for the U.S diplomatic office in Iraq which, along with the other positions he occupied for the U.S., posed a great threat to both him and his family. Radical groups of insurgents and terrorists in Iraq target everyone who works for the U.S. troops or affiliates. As a result, he decided to flee his country for the safety of his wife and two children through the Special Immigrant Visa program. On December 10, 2014 they landed in Houston, Texas.

In Houston, Hani was the head of Public Relation and Media Office in the Consulate General of the State of Qatar. In October of 2016, he decided to go back to school in a cool region in America to pursue a degree, and he decided that there was no better place than the west coast to do that.

Many of Hani’s friends encouraged him to keep his high-paying job in Houston rather than moving to the west coast for schooling, but he is so determined to get some education in the U.S. that they moved to Crescent City and enrolled at the Curry Campus. Hani said that he chose Southwestern’s Curry Campus because of the friendly environment and there is no out of state tuition. Hani said that after “the welcoming, sincere, and lovely environment I have experienced at Southwestern in Brookings, I tell my friends in America along with my subscribers on Facebook that every refugee and immigrant coming to the U.S should not waste his/her life working and forgetting about education”.

Hani has advised a lot of people who have approached him via social media to join schools in “this great country and earn degrees so that every one of them can someday become a successful member of this diverse community and we all might be able to pay back our debt to America”.

The Curry Campus of Southwestern is here to help you achieve your goal. We offer classes that support degrees and certificates including a two-year associates degree that transfers to Oregon Universities. Advisor Jana King is available to meet with individuals in Brookings or Gold Beach to help start you on the path to learning.
## WINTER 2018 CLASS SCHEDULE • TERM BEGINS JANUARY 8, 2018

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**CODE:** HYB = Hybrid  LIT = Live, Interactive  
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COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Because You Never Stop Learning!

Learn something new – challenge yourself – have fun!
Southwestern offers a variety of community education classes – non-credit courses offered for personal interest – throughout Curry County. The following descriptions are for community education classes offered in Curry County. Winter term is 11 weeks. Classes start on Monday, Jan. 8 and end Thursday, Mar. 22. Full term classes meet for 11 weeks, or for the dates indicated in the course description. Brookings classes meet at the Curry Campus at 96082 Lone Ranch Parkway unless a different location is given. Locations are with the course description. See the map on the inside front cover for the location of the Curry Campus, Gold Beach Center and Port Orford Office.

ADULT LEARNING SKILLS

GED TEST PREPARATION AND
ADULT BASIC EDUCATION
Class covers basic skills in mathematics, writing, and reading comprehension. Emphasis is placed on skills necessary to pass the four General Education Development (GED) tests, prepare for entry-level employment, or college studies. Classes are available in Brookings, Gold Beach, and Port Orford. New students must participate in orientation the week of January 8 on the days and times that classes are scheduled.

Location: Curry Campus 206     Instructors: Neil Rodgers and Billie Hopkins Furuichi
Day(s)/Time: Tue, Thu, 6:00 - 8:50 pm     Cost: $50
Location: Gold Beach Ctr Rm 103     Instructor: Susan Golay
Day(s)/Time: Mon, Wed, 6:00 - 8:50 pm     Cost: $50
Location: Port Orford Driftwood School Rm 7     Instructor: Kim Nye
Day(s)/Time: Tue, Thu, 6:00 - 8:50 pm     Cost: $50

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE
A course for students whose first language is other than English. The whole language approach to English is taught, rather than instruction about the language.

Location: Curry Campus Rm 206
Instructor: Billie Hopkins Furuichi
Day(s)/Time: Tue, Thu, 6:00 - 8:50 pm     Cost: $50
Location: Gold Beach Ctr Rm 103     Instructor: Susan Golay
Day(s)/Time: Mon, Wed, 7:00 - 8:20 pm     Cost: $50

ART

ART*131/132/133 INTRO TO DRAWING
Introduces the basic techniques and approaches to drawing with an emphasis on the development of perceptual skills and observational study. Assigned creative projects explore a variety of media, subject matter, and conceptual problems inspired by historical and contemporary artistic practice. Class may be taken in any sequence.

Instructor: Gary Christensen
Location: Curry Campus Rm 138A/B
Day(s)/Time: Mon, Wed, 1:00 - 3:20 pm

ART*181A*31 INTRO TO PAINTING
Class explores visual representation on a two-dimensional surface. Use oil or acrylic paints for space division, color, and surface treatment. Includes weekly lecture and studio time.

Instructor: Gary Christensen
Location: Curry Campus Rm 138A/B
Day(s)/Time: Mon, Wed, 1:00 - 2:20 pm

WATERCOLOR BASICS II
Introduces principles and concepts of watercolor at a beginning level.

ART*184B*32
Instructor: Dauna Roberts
Location: Gold Beach Ctr Rm 103
Day(s)/Time: Thu, 3:00 - 5:50 pm
ART*184B*33
Instructor: Dauna Roberts
Location: Gold Beach Ctr Rm 103
Day(s)/Time: Thu, 6:00 - 8:50 pm

business & technology

SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER
The SBDC offers business counseling and classes in Curry County using video technology to broadcast classes from Coos Bay to Brookings. Counseling visits are by appointment in Curry County on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. The Small Business Management program starts in January ($500). Preregistration is required. Go to www.socc.edu/sbdc, see page 24 of the Coos schedule to view our latest business classes, or call 541-888-7026.

CARE CONNECTIONS
Care Connections Child Care Resource and Referral offers classes in Curry County for individuals who want to become registered childcare providers. Classes include: DHS Child Care Overview; Child Care Provider Orientation. For more information on classes call 541-888-7957.

CS 0170*99 COMPUTER BASICS
This is a basic computer course in computer literacy intended for the novice user. Students will learn file management using a PC operating system, word processing, email, Internet research, and become familiar with current terminology.

Instructor: Tara Devi     Cost: $46
Day(s)/Time: Mon 2:00-3:20 pm
Location: Gold Beach Center Rm 102
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CULINARY ARTS

SUSHI PARTY!
California rolls, spicy tuna, and more using our local catch. Learn the principles of good sushi, perfect rice, and the right soy sauce. Practice making rolled sushi and hand rolls with local Dungeness crab, albacore tuna, and pink shrimp. Learn how to make fermented ginger and taste-test several wasabi pastes. There may even be a salad of hand-harvested seaweed! Jennifer Burns Bright is a food and travel writer based in Port Orford.
Location: Port Orford Sr. Center Kitchen
Day/Time: Thu, Jan 25, 5:00 to 6:20 p.m. Cost: $50
Instructor: Jennifer Burns Bright

FIELD STUDIES

G*0624*99 EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS: LIVING ON THE EDGE
Cascadia Subduction Zone. Earthquakes. Tsunamis. You hear about it on the news, read about it in the paper, and see it online. What’s all the fuss? Is it as scary as it sounds? Through a series of four classes filled with interactive presentations, animations, and maps, combined with hands-on activities and demonstrations, we’ll explore what it means to live on the edge of an active tectonic plate.
Location: Curry Campus 137A/B
Instructor: Diane Cavaness
Day(s)/Time: Tue, Feb. 6-27, 6:00 - 7:20 pm Cost: $35

HORT*2705*99 MASTER GARDENER (VOLUNTEER TRAINING)
An introduction to landscaping and gardening that prepares participants to volunteer in the community with school gardens and education, horticulture problems and challenges through the OSU Extension. Topics include: soil science, botany and plant identification, water quality, composting, entomology, propagation, pruning, plant disease and diagnosis, pesticides and fertilizers, coastal landscaping and vegetable gardening, and strategies for working with the public. $175 fee to OSU Extension. Register by Dec. 1 at: http://bit.ly/CurryMasterGardener2018.
Location: Gold Beach OSU Extension Office
Fridays 9:00 am to 4:00 pm; Jan 12 - Mar 16

MARINE MAMMALS IN MOTION
Whales, dolphins, sea lions, and seals make swimming look easy; yet water is 780 times denser than air. This class explores adaptations in the anatomy of marine mammals and what can be learned about a species by studying its skeleton. The class will travel to the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology and the Charleston Marine Life Center to study the collection of marine mammal skeletons in the museum. Students will discuss their findings and then assemble a cetacean skeleton. A trip out to Simpson’s Reef overlook for a chance to observe the seals and sea lions in North Cove will finish up the class. Bring a sack lunch. Wear sturdy shoes.
Instructor: Nancy Treneman
Location: Meet at Gold Beach Center
Travel to: the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology & Charleston Marine Life Center in Charleston
Day(s)/Time: Sat, Feb 10, 8:00 am to 4:20 pm Cost: $35

CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST
NOAA’s National Weather Service’s warning coordination meteorologist, Ryan Sandler, will discuss the causes of climate change and what we can expect in the Pacific Northwest. The climate change issue boils down to these three questions: Do you believe the earth is warming? If so, do you believe that much of this warming is man-made? What, if anything, should we do about it? Topics include the primary drivers of climate change, model projections for the 21st century climate, the climate related impacts already being observed in the Pacific Northwest, and possible future impacts.
Instructor: Ryan Sandler
Location: Gold Beach Ctr Rm 103
Day(s)/Time: Tue, Feb 6, 2:00-3:20 pm Cost: no charge
FOREIGN LANGUAGE

FR*0576*99 CONVERSATIONAL FRENCH INTERMEDIATE
Students review French vocabulary, phrases and sentences through listening, speaking and reading printed materials. Review of pronunciation, conversational flow of sentences and common phrases are emphasized. Situational conversational French and role playing will be demonstrated.
Location: Curry Campus Rm 234
Instructor: Russ Oelheim
Day(s)/Time: Wed, 6:00 - 7:50 pm Cost: $53.50

BUILDING BLOCKS OF HEALTH CARE
Course covers the fundamentals of health insurance options in Oregon including individual plans, Oregon Health Plan, and Medicare. Also covered will be how to use health insurance, understanding your plan and billing.
Location: Port Orford Library Comm. Rm Cost: no charge
Day(s)/Time: Tues, Feb 20, 5:30 - 6:20 pm
Location: Gold Beach Center Rm 103 Cost: no charge
Day(s)/Time: Wed, Feb 21, 12:30 pm - 1:20 pm
Location: Curry Campus Rm 137A&B Cost: no charge
Day(s)/Time: Thurs, Feb 22, 12:30 pm - 1:20 pm

HEALTH & WELLNESS

OPTIMAL HEALTH WORKSHOP
Optimal Health starts with healthy habits – from balanced meals and good sleep habits, to handling stress and understanding food labels. Learn how to adjust your lifestyle to reach and maintain a healthy weight. Discover new opportunities for yourself when you have a healthy body and mind. Instructor Windy Schrag will take you through this 8-week course designed to help you live a life of wellness.
Location: Curry Campus Rm 137A&B
Day(s)/Time: Wed, 6:00-8:00 pm, Jan 17-Feb 22 Cost: $59

MUP*0140 BEGINNING FIDDLE
Learn basic fiddle skills, with emphasis on learning by ear and developing a musical ear. A variety of traditional tunes including Old-Time, Scottish, Irish, and Scandinavian tunes will be introduced. Must provide own fiddle.
MUP*0140*98 Instructor: Pat Foht
Location: Curry Campus Room 138A/B Cost: $65
Day(s)/Time: Tue 5:30 to 6:50 pm, Jan 16 - Mar 20
MUP 0140*99 Instructor: Diane Cassel
Location: Port Orford Driftwood School Room 4
Day(s)/Time: Tue, 5:30 to 6:50 pm; Jan 9 - Mar 20 (no class Jan 16) Cost: $65

HE*0591 MEDICARE 101
The Medicare 101 class offers information on the timelines surrounding Medicare enrollment; Medicare Part A, B, C, and D; Medicare advantage plans; Medicare supplement policies; and caveats that can be encountered while enrolled into Medicare. Medicare 101 is brought to you from the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA) program. There is no charge for these classes.
HE*0591*01 Location: Port Orford Library Comm. Rm Cost: no charge
Day(s)/Time: Tue, Feb 20, 3:00 - 4:50 pm
HE*0591*02 Location: Gold Beach Center Rm 103 Cost: no charge
Day(s)/Time: Wed, Feb 21, 10:00 - 11:50 am
HE*0591*03 Location: Curry Campus Rm 137A&B Cost: no charge
Day(s)/Time: Thurs, Feb 22, 10:00 - 11:50 am

MUP*142 ORCHESTRA
The Curry/Del Norte Community Orchestra offers musicians an outlet for their talent and a chance to improve their musicianship and instrumental techniques and skills. Auditions are required.
Location: Brookings Harbor High School Auditorium
Day(s)/Time: Mon 7:00-8:50pm Instructor: Dan Sedgwick

MUSIC

FITNESS & EXERCISE

PE*0501 AEROBIC FITNESS
Improve your cardiovascular system, muscle strength, body composition, and flexibility while you burn fat and calories in these low-impact aerobics classes. Students are encouraged to work at their own fitness levels and modify moves for their fitness needs. Bring a mat or blanket for the floor exercises.
PE*0501*98 Instructor: Mary Whitaker
Location: Brookings Star of the Sea Catholic Church
Day(s): Mon, Wed, Fri, 8:00 - 8:50 am Cost: $61
PE*0501*99 Instructor: Donna Zitzelberger
Location: Langlois Lions Hall
Day(s): Mon, Wed, Fri, 9:00 - 9:50 am Cost: $61
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**PE*0213*99 BEGINNING BALLROOM I**
This beginning course in ballroom dancing is designed to give individuals and/or couples the basic skills necessary to participate and enjoy dancing events.
Instructor: Connie Lord
Location: Gold Beach Fitness Dance Studio  
Day(s)/Time: Thu, 1:30 - 2:50 pm, Feb 22 – Mar 22  
Cost: $39

**PE*0502 BETTER BONES & BALANCE®**
An introduction to Better Bones & Balance®. This simple exercise program protects bones by halting bone loss and reducing fall risk by improving balance, muscle strength, and power.
Instructor: Cheryl Seaton
Location: Gold Beach First Presbyterian Church  
Day(s): Mon/Wed, 10:15-11:05 am  
Cost: $53.50
PE*0502*97  
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Location: Gold Beach First Presbyterian Church  
Day(s): Mon/Wed, 10:15-11:35 am  
Cost: $61
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Instructor: Cheryl Seaton
Location: Gold Beach First Presbyterian Church  
Day(s): Mon/Wed, 12:15-1:05 pm  
Cost: $53.50
PE*0502*98  
Instructor: Lisa Reed
Location: Langlois Lions Hall  
Day(s): Mon, Fri, 10:15-11:35 am  
Cost: $61

**PE*0503*98 PILATES®**
Class focuses on strengthening the abdominals, shoulder girdle, buttocks, legs, and deep support muscles of the spine. The combination of movements has been adapted to make a fun, easy, and safe exercise program. Emphasis is placed on proper alignment, balance, flexibility, control, and breathing.
Instructor: Glencora Powers
Location: Curry Campus Rm 138A&B  
Day(s): Tue, Thu, 10:00 - 10:50 am  
Cost: $53.50

**PE*0413 QIGONG**
Qigong in Chinese means literally “Life Energy Cultivation.” It is a practice of aligning breath, movement, and awareness for exercise, healing, and meditation. The Hui Chun Gong health preservation exercises are easy to learn – invigorating, yet relaxing. Practiced regularly, Hui Chun Gong is a natural path to health and well-being.
Instructor: Bozena Palmquist
Location: Gold Beach Episcopal Church  
Day(s): Fri, 11:30 am - 12:20 pm  
Cost: $35
PE*0413*99  
Instructor: Bozena Palmquist
Location: Port Orford Senior Center  
Day(s): Thu, 11:30 am - 12:20 pm  
Cost: $35

**PE*0504 TAI CHI**
Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese ‘form’ of gentle movements that is practiced for its health benefits in body, mind and spirit. It is often called a moving meditation. Scientific study has documented dramatic reductions in falls as well as lower blood pressure for those practicing this graceful Chinese martial art. Participants will experience improved coordination, balance, and body awareness as well as the peace that accompanies this slow moving meditation.
Instructor: Saun Stone
Location: Brookings South Coast Fitness Center  
Day(s): Mon, Wed, 11:00 am - 12:20 pm  
Cost: $61
PE*0504*95  
Instructor: Deane McConnell
Location: Brookings Star of the Sea Catholic Church  
Day(s): Mon, 10:00 - 11:50 am  
Cost: $46
PE*0504*96  
Instructor: Laurie Johnson
Location: Brookings Star of the Sea Catholic Church  
Day(s): Thu, 5:30 - 6:50 pm  
Cost: $46
PE*0504*97  
Instructor: Laurie Johnson
Location: Gold Beach Fitness Dance Studio  
Day(s): Tue, Thu, 10:00 - 10:50 am  
Cost: $46
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Instructor: Laurie Johnson
Location: Brookings Star of the Sea Catholic Church  
Day(s): Fri, 8:30 - 9:50 am  
Cost: $46
PE*0504*99  
Instructor: Laurie Johnson
Location: Gold Beach Fitness Dance Studio  
Day(s): Fri, 10:30 - 11:50 am  
Cost: $46

**PE*0506 YOGA FOR HEALTH**
An introduction to Hatha yoga, covering the background, safety precautions, and value of yoga. Stretching postures, proper breathing techniques, and stress reduction are emphasized.
Instructor: Glencora Powers
Location: Curry Campus Rm 138A&B  
Day(s): Tue, Thu, 8:30 - 9:50 am  
Cost: $61
PE*0506*100  
Instructor: Tara Devi
Location: Gold Beach Episcopal Church  
Day(s): Mon/ Wed, 10:30 – 11:50 am  
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FINANCIAL AID
Visits Scheduled in Curry County

The 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application opened on October 1st. Students and prospective students are encouraged to complete the FAFSA now to get the maximum award possible. Students will use their 2016 tax information on the 2018-2019 FAFSA. Those planning on enrolling in classes in winter or spring term 2018 can still file a FAFSA for the current school year, 2017-2018 using the same tax information. The application is available at https://fafsa.ed.gov

Financial Aid representative Heather Balogh from Southwestern's Financial Aid office in Coos Bay will visit Curry County on Friday, December 8, and Friday, January 5 to provide information to current and future students. Students currently enrolled or planning to take classes at Southwestern may make an appointment to meet with Heather at the Curry Campus in Brookings or at the Gold Beach Center.

For an appointment, call the College in Gold Beach at 541-247-2741 or in Brookings, call 541-813-1667.

Seniors Receive Free Tuition
Oregon residents 65 years or older receive free tuition. Students must audit their classes and are responsible for all course fees. Only tuition-based and Southwestern web-based courses are eligible. Fee-based or special program courses do not qualify. For information call the Student First Stop Center: Curry Campus 541-813-1667; Coos Bay Campus 541-888-7352.

CNA and EMT Training Available
Two classes are scheduled winter term to help students in Curry County enter the health care field. Nursing Assistant 1 is a one-term class that prepares students to take the exam to become a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA). Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) basic is a two-term class that prepares students to take the national exam to become a licensed EMT. Both of these classes require individuals to complete an application process.

Those interested in enrolling in the Nursing Assistant class are encouraged to complete the application, background check, take a placement test, provide proof of immunization and have a current CPR card (American Heart Association for Health Care Providers). The Basic Nursing Assistant application is available at local college offices or online at: www.socc.edu/nursing. The Nursing Assistant class includes both lecture and clinical skills. This class is limited to ten students. Applications are due by December 5.

Students interested in the EMT Basic class will participate in the lectures broadcast from Coos Bay using Internet Protocol Video (IPV) technology. The labs will be held at the Curry Campus in Brookings. The second class in this series will be held spring term. These classes prepare individuals for certification in Oregon as an Emergency Medical Technician. Anyone interested in participating in this class must complete an application which includes proof of immunization and placement test scores. This class is limited to ten students. For more information contact Mary Koski in Coos Bay at 541-888-7432.

Part-Time Instructors Needed!
Curry Campus, Brookings
Contact Les Balsiger at 541-813-1672

South Coast Writers Conference Offers Inspiration
The annual South Coast Writers Conference brings together a collection of writers from the Northwest to share, explore, and celebrate the many facets of writing. The conference, held on Presidents’ Day weekend February 16 and 17, provides an opportunity for an extended stay to write and to explore the splendor of America’s Wild Rivers Coast.

The conference is an eclectic gathering of writers of various genres including novice and published authors. “The goal of this conference is to highlight local writers and inspire new writers while connecting them to local resources and fellow writers,” said Les Balsiger, Curry Executive Dean, and member of the conference planning committee. The conference features some of the Northwest’s best writers to guide participants in an exploration and celebration of the many facets of writing.

Workshop presenters this year will be across several genres, from science fiction to poetry. Authors’ Night on Friday features a keynote speaker followed by workshop presenters reading from their own work. Afterwards there is an opportunity to buy books and have them signed by the authors.

Workshops are scheduled to begin on Friday, with participants choosing one of three all-day seminar selections; the cost for the Friday seminar is $60. Four 90-minute workshops are offered on Saturday, with five options for each session. Cost for the Saturday workshops is $65 ($75 after Jan 31) and the price for both days is $120 ($130 after Jan. 31). Early registration for this popular conference is encouraged to secure a seat in the workshops you want. The Friday evening Authors’ Night, scheduled for 7 p.m. on Feb 16, will be held at the Curry County Campus of Southwestern Oregon Community College in Brookings, Oregon. This event is free and open to the public.

More information on the conference is available on the conference website at www.socc.edu/scwriters.