**VCU1 101 Introduction to the University**

This course is designed to orient new students to the rich traditions and purposes of an education at Virginia Commonwealth University. It is designed to assist students in making the transition to academic life at VCU from high school, community college, other university or work force. Through lectures, class discussions, on-campus projects, readings and the opportunity to work with faculty in a small-group setting, students can discover the resources and services of VCU, assess their academic strengths and limitations, consider academic and career goals, and clarify expectations about being a student at VCU. After this course, students will understand better their “fit” as a new member of the VCU community and the ways to achieve a personally rewarding and successful academic program.