



Syllabus for Getting Started with Computers

Course Information

Semester & Year: Fall 2023

Course ID & Section #: EDUC 207 Section V6611

Instructor's name: Amy Berkowitz

Day/Time of required meetings: Tuesday/Thursday 4PM-5:30pm

Online via TechConnectZoom (in Canvas)

Course units: Noncredit (0 units)

Instructor Contact Information

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Office hours: by appointment

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Catalog Description

A course in basic computer skills development designed for students who have little or no experience using a computer. Topics include fundamental components of computer and program operation such as an introduction to internet usage, MyCR, email, and file system management and navigation.

Course Student Learning Outcomes *(from course outline of record)*

1. Demonstrate confidence in using a computer for basic operations.
2. Save a file.
3. Demonstrate the use of a mouse or track pad.
4. Create and name a document

Prerequisites/co-requisites/ recommended preparation

Students should have access to the internet. If students do not have a computer, they may borrow one from the Adult and Community Education office by calling: 707-476-4500 or emailing ACE@redwoods.edu

Educational Accessibility & Support

College of the Redwoods is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for qualified students who could benefit from additional educational support and services. You may qualify if you have a physical, mental, sensory, or intellectual condition which causes you to struggle academically, including but not limited to:

- Mental health conditions such as depression, anxiety, PTSD, bipolar disorder, and ADHD
- Common ailments such as arthritis, asthma, diabetes, autoimmune disorders, and diseases
- Temporary impairments such as a broken bone, recovery from significant surgery, or a pregnancy-related disability
- A learning disability (e.g., dyslexia, reading comprehension), intellectual disability, autism, or acquired brain injury
- Vision, hearing, or mobility challenges

Available services include extended test time, quiet testing environments, tutoring, counseling and advising, alternate formats of materials (e.g., audio books, E-texts), assistive technology, on-

campus transportation, and more. If you believe you might benefit from disability- or health-related services and accommodations, please contact [Disability Services and Programs for Students \(DSPS\)](#). If you are unsure whether you qualify, please contact DSPS for a consultation: dsps@redwoods.edu.

- Eureka: 707-476-4280, Student Services Building, 1st floor
- Del Norte: 707-465-2324, Main Building, near the library
- Klamath-Trinity: 707-476-4280

Teaching Philosophy

- I believe that everyone can learn. Sometimes we need support to do so more easily. (Student Disability Services [here](#)). Everyone is free to record any class; please keep people's personal issues confidential.
- I believe that life is messy and complicated and that you have chosen to add school to that. I acknowledge that for some students, it is an act of bravery to enroll in class and show up. All progress will be honored.
- It is normal for students to have life challenges including housing and food scarcity. We have the Basic Needs Center to help. [Here](#) is the link..
- 60% of college students report dealing with a mental health issue. Mental health challenges are common, and we have free resources to help you cope. ([Here](#) is the link)



Health Center & Mental Health Counseling

The Health Center is Open to all students and staff.

If you are in distress or are with someone at risk right now, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or TEXT 741-741

Contact info - Phone: (707) 476-4149

Mental Health Services

Students should text, email, or fax Shawna Bell directly for scheduling and/or services.

Contact info

Text: 707-496-2856

Email: shawna.bell@redwoods.edu

Fax: 707-237-2318 (voicemail can be left via fax)

Services are also available 24/7 via phone, video, and chat via

TimelyMD: <https://app.timelycare.com/auth/login>

More Mental Health Resources: <https://redwoods.libguides.com/mental-health>

TimelyMD

When you're feeling under the weather physically or distressed mentally, you can find the help you're looking for in just a few quick taps. TimelyMD is an extension of your school's student health program that provides care whenever and wherever you need it.

[Visit TimelyMD here](#)

- I believe that diversity is strength. Therefore, I welcome all people to our learning community. I honor our diversity whether it is the color of our skin, our sex or gender, our class, religion, or point of view. We thrive in a safe space where everyone is free to express their lived-experience and opinions and communicate civilly.
- My goal is to present you with information and learning opportunities. It is my job to do so in a way that you understand. If you do not understand something, probably someone else does not. You will be doing us all a favor if you let me know so that I can try other ways.

Student Support

Good information and clear communication about your needs will help you be successful. Please let your instructor know about any specific challenges or technology limitations that might affect your participation in class. College of the Redwoods wants every student to be successful.

Evaluation & Grading Policy

Students will be deemed to be making satisfactory progress by attending class and participating in the work.

Fall 2023 Dates

- **August 18th: Last day to register for classes (day before the first class meeting)**
- **August 19th: Classes begin**
- **August 25th: Last day to add a class**
- **September 1st: Last day to drop without a “W” and receive a refund**
- **September 4th: Labor Day Holiday (District-wide closure)**
- **September 5th: Census Date (20% of class)**
- **October 26th: Last day to petition to graduate**
- **October 27th: Last day for student initiated withdrawal (62.5% of class)**
- **October 27th: Last day for faculty initiated withdrawal (62.5% of class)**
- **November 20 – November 24 Fall/Thanksgiving Break**
- **December 9th-15th: Final Examinations**
- **December 15th: Last day to file for P/NP option**
- **December 15th: Semester Ends**
- **December 22nd: Grades due**
- **January 5th: Grades available**

Academic dishonesty

In the academic community, the high value placed on truth implies a corresponding intolerance of scholastic dishonesty. In cases involving academic dishonesty, determination of the grade and of the student's status in the course is left primarily to the discretion of the faculty member. In such cases, where the instructor determines that a student has demonstrated academic dishonesty, the student may receive a failing grade for the assignment and/or exam and may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct ([AP 5500](#)) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the [College Catalog](#) and on the [College of the Redwoods website](#).

Disruptive behavior

Student behavior or speech that disrupts the instructional setting will not be tolerated. Disruptive conduct may include, but is not limited to: unwarranted interruptions; failure to adhere to instructor's directions; vulgar or obscene language; slurs or other forms of intimidation; and physically or verbally abusive behavior. In such cases where the instructor determines that a student has disrupted the educational process, a disruptive student may be temporarily removed from class. In addition, the student may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct ([AP 5500](#)) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the [College Catalog](#) and on the [College of the Redwoods website](#).

Inclusive Language in the Classroom

College of the Redwoods aspires to create a learning environment in which all people feel comfortable in contributing their perspectives to classroom discussions. It therefore encourages instructors and students to use language that is inclusive and respectful.

Setting Your Preferred Name in Canvas

Students have the ability to have an alternate first name and pronouns to appear in Canvas. Contact [Admissions & Records](#) to request a change to your preferred first name and pronoun. Your Preferred Name will only be listed in Canvas. This does not change your legal name in our records. See the [Student Information Update form](#).

Canvas Information

Canvas Information

If using Canvas, include navigation instructions, tech support information, what Canvas is used for, and your expectation for how regularly students should check Canvas for your class.

Log into Canvas at [My CR Portal](#)

For help logging in to Canvas, visit [My CR Portal](#).

For help with Canvas once you're logged in, click on the Help icon on the left menu.

For tech help, email its@redwoods.edu or call 707-476-4160

Canvas online orientation workshop: [Canvas Student Orientation Course \(instructure.com\)](#)

Community College Student Health and Wellness

Resources, tools, and trainings regarding health, mental health, wellness, basic needs and more designed for California community college students, faculty and staff are available on the California Community Colleges [Health & Wellness website](#).

[Wellness Central](#) is a free online health and wellness resource that is available 24/7 in your space at your pace.

Students seeking to request a counseling appointment for academic advising or general counseling can email counseling@redwoods.edu.

Emergency procedures / Everbridge

College of the Redwoods has implemented an emergency alert system called Everbridge. In the event of an emergency on campus you will receive an alert through your personal email and/or phones. Registration is not necessary in order to receive emergency alerts. Check to make sure your contact information is up-to-date by logging into WebAdvisor <https://webadvisor.redwoods.edu> and selecting 'Students' then 'Academic Profile' then 'Current Information Update.'

Please contact Public Safety at 707-476-4112 or security@redwoods.edu if you have any questions. For more information see the [Redwoods Public Safety Page](#).

In an emergency that requires an evacuation of the building anywhere in the District:

- Be aware of all marked exits from your area and building
- Once outside, move to the nearest evacuation point outside your building
- Keep streets and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel

Do not leave campus, unless it has been deemed safe by the campus authorities.

Del Norte Campus Emergency Procedures

Please review the [Crescent City campus emergency map](#) for campus evacuation sites, including the closest site to this classroom (posted by the exit of each room). For more information, see the [Redwoods Public Safety Page](#).

Eureka Campus Emergency Procedures

Please review the [campus emergency map](#) for evacuation sites, including the closest site to this classroom (posted by the exit of each room). For more information on Public Safety go to the [CR Police Department- Public Safety](#). It is the responsibility of College of the Redwoods to protect life and property from the effects of emergencies within its own jurisdiction.

In the event of an emergency:

1. Evaluate the impact the emergency has on your activity/operation and take appropriate action.
2. Dial 911, to notify local agency support such as law enforcement or fire services.
3. Notify Public Safety 707-476-4111 and inform them of the situation, with as much relevant information as possible.
4. Public Safety shall relay threat information, warnings, and alerts through the Everbridge emergency alert system, Public address system, and when possible, updates on the college website, to ensure the school community is notified.
5. Follow established procedures for the specific emergency as outlined in the College of the Redwoods Emergency Procedure Booklet, (evacuation to a safe zone, shelter in place, lockdown, assist others if possible, cooperate with First Responders, etc.).
6. If safe to do so, notify key administrators, departments, and personnel.
7. Do not leave campus, unless it is necessary to preserve life and/or has been deemed safe by the person in command.

Klamath Trinity Campus Emergency Procedures

Please review the responsibilities of, and procedures used by, the College of the Redwoods, Klamath-Trinity Instructional Site (KTIS) to communicate to faculty, staff, students and the general public during an emergency. It is the responsibility of College of the Redwoods, Klamath-Trinity Instructional Site (KTIS) to protect life and property from the effects of emergency situations within its own jurisdiction.

1. In the event of an emergency, communication shall be the responsibility of the district employees on scene.
 - a. Dial 911, to notify local agency support such as law enforcement or fire services.
 - b. If safe to do so, notify key administrators, departments, and personnel.
 - c. If safe to do so, personnel shall relay threat information, warnings, to ensure the school community is notified.
 - d. Contact 530-625-4821 to notify of situation.
 - e. Contact Hoopa Tribal Education Administration office 530-625-4413
 - f. Notify Public Safety 707-476-4111.
2. In the event of an emergency, the responsible district employee on scene will:
 - a. Follow established procedures for the specific emergency as outlined in the College of the Redwoods Emergency Procedure Booklet.
 - b. Lock all doors and turn off lights if in lockdown due to an active shooter or similar emergency.
 - c. Close all window curtains.
 - d. Get all inside to safe location Kitchen area is best internal location.
 - e. If a police officer or higher official arrives, they will assume command.
 - f. Wait until notice of all is clear before unlocking doors.
 - g. If safe to do so, move to the nearest evacuation point outside building (Pooky's Park), directly behind the Hoopa Tribal Education Building.
 - h. Do not leave site, unless it has been deemed safe by the person in command. Student Support Services (required for online classes)

Student Support Services

The following online resources are available to support your success as a student:

- [CR-Online](#) (Comprehensive information for online students)
- [Library Articles & Databases](#)
- [Canvas help and tutorials](#)
- [Online Student Handbook](#)
- [Online Tutoring Resources](#)

[Counseling](#) offers assistance to students in need of professional counseling services such as crisis counseling.

Learning Resource Center includes the following resources for students

- [Library Services](#) to promote information literacy and provide organized information resources.
- [Multicultural & Diversity Center](#)
- [Academic Support Center](#) – offers tutoring and test proctoring for CR students.
- [Student Tech Help](#) – provides students with assistance around a variety of tech problems

Special programs are also available for eligible students include

- [Extended Opportunity Programs & Services \(EOPS\)](#) provides services to eligible income disadvantaged students including: textbook award, career academic and personal counseling, school supplies, transportation assistance, tutoring, laptop, calculator and textbook loans, priority registration, graduation cap and gown, workshops, and more!
- The TRiO Student Success Program provides eligible students with a variety of services including trips to 4-year universities, career assessments, and peer mentoring. Students can apply for the program in [Eureka](#) or in [Del Norte](#)
- The [Veteran's Resource Center](#) supports and facilitates academic success for Active Duty Military, Veterans and Dependents attending CR through relational advising, mentorship, transitional assistance, and coordination of military and Veteran-specific resources.
- [CalWORKS](#) – assists student parents with children under the age of 18, who are receiving cash assistance (TANF), to become self-sufficient.
- Klamath-Trinity students can contact the CR KT Office for specific information about student support services at 530-625-4821

Calendar

Each week will feature:

- Student discussion
- Videos and demonstrations
- Practice tasks

Week 1

Orientation and Introductions, using canvas, student email, TechConnectZoom

Week 2

Folders, tabs, saving, naming, attaching, bookmarks

Week 3

Internet safety, search engines, URLs, passwords, privacy

Week 4

Online maps, email settings, calendars

Week 5

Fillable pdf's

Week 6

Word Processing and Word basics, sharing

Week 7

Word basics continued

Week 8

Excel basics

Week 9

Excel continued

Week 10

PowerPoint basics

Week 11 -13

Presentations & PowerPoint continued

[Fall/Thanksgiving Break](#) November 20-24 (no classes)

Weeks 14—16

Publisher, newsletters

This syllabus is subject to change with notice.