Offering Your FAS as a New Student Experience Course

NSE courses help students transition to college life and connect with the Baylor community. All first-semester Baylor students are required to take at least one NSE course, whether through UNIV 1000, BU 1000, or a credit-bearing NSE course. These courses are designed to improve student success by engaging students academically, socially, and spiritually in the earliest stages of student development. Come and be a part of this exciting opportunity for transformational education at Baylor!

Why are FAS and NSE a great match?
- Small class sizes facilitate meaningful connections between students and faculty
- Strong sense of community among students from the beginning of the semester
- Invest deeply in high-ability students from a variety of disciplines
- Help your students explore research opportunities and cultivate oral and written communication skills
- Introduce the key values of a liberal education (critical thinking, integration of faith and learning, social responsibility, etc) through your course’s discipline
- Engage students intellectually, socially, and spiritually in the earliest stages of student development
- Encourage your students to set personal and professional goals
- Recruit majors and/or minors
- Peer leaders can assist you with the course and serve as an additional resource and role model to your students

What resources are in place for me as I develop and implement my FAS for NSE course?
- Training workshop
- Community of NSE instructors
  - Brainstorming Forums
  - Sample syllabi
  - Troubleshooting and support
- Academy for Teaching and Learning resources and opportunities including a workshop on revamping your current course for NSE credit
- Coaching and ongoing support for those utilizing peer leaders
- Assistant Director for Student Success

How can I get approval for offering my course for NSE credit?
- Please contact Sinda Vanderpool if you have any questions or would like additional support while setting up your NSE courses.
- For consideration for Fall 2016, please submit all application materials to Sinda_Vanderpool@baylor.edu (x 6024) by January 25, 2016.