

# Common Elements to Include on an FYS Syllabus

- ✓ **Campus Tour on Move-in Weekend**
- ✓ **Opening Convocation**
- ✓ **Writing Sample**
- ✓ **Academic Planning / Four Year Plan**
- ✓ **Study advice: time management, reading, note-taking, preparing for test, etc.**
- ✓ **Library Tour**
- ✓ **Career Services Tour**
- ✓ **Student Success Center Tour**
- ✓ **Academic Integrity (Plagiarism, Cheating)**
- ✓ **Campus Activities (cultural events, sporting events, etc)**
- ✓ **Advising**
- ✓ **“How’s It Going” Report**
- ✓ **Using Muskie Link**
- ✓ **Using Blackboard**
- ✓ **Activities Fair**
- ✓ **Major Fair**
- ✓ **Hot Topic Tuesdays**
- ✓ **Vote for Freshman Class Officers**
- ✓ **Gender issues, alcohol awareness, etc.**
- ✓ **Etiquette in class and at special events (speakers, plays, etc)**
- ✓ **Study Abroad and Internship opportunities**
- ✓ **Volleyball Tournament**
- ✓ **Career Exploration (Department interviews for information)**
- ✓ **Village Tour**
- ✓ **John Glenn Museum**
- ✓ **Resume writing**
- ✓ **Service project (Operation Christmas Child)**
- ✓ **Course Evaluations**

Elements that are in **bold**, must be included in the FY experience.

**Mission of FYS:** The First Year Program is committed to:

- campus-wide collaboration,
- successful transition to the academic expectations and campus life of college,
- the education of the “whole person” as described in the Muskingum University mission: intellectual, spiritual, social and physical, and
- program improvement through continuous evaluation of data related to First Year academic achievement and campus engagement.