

To learn more about the Senior Experience:

Comments From Former KSU 4401 Students



KSU 4401: The Senior Experience

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Spring 2007 Schedule

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| 11081 | 01 | MW | 11:00AM-12:15PM | D. Smith |
| 11082 | 02 | MW | 2:00PM-3:15PM | J. Dominick |
| 11115 | 03 | MW | 5:00PM-6:15PM | J. Dominick |
| 11116 | 04 | TR | 11:00AM-12:15PM | D. Smith |
| 11117 | 05 | TR | 2:00PM-3:15PM | D. Smith |
| 11118 | 06 | F | 11:00AM-1:45PM | J. Dominick |



A wise owl knows to register early for this course as it tends to fill quickly.



I took this class as an elective (with hopes of an easy "A"), but it has turned out to be one of the best classes I have had at KSU.

...e-portfolios become a way to intertwine the international skills that one acquires with the necessary technological skills that employers are looking for.

This was a surprise class in its helpfulness in my everyday life.

I have already recommended this class to all my friends and classmates.

Just being able to participate in this class has been a worthy experience. I don't usually keep my books, but I will certainly keep this one.

The thing I liked best about this class was the inspiration it brought me. I already feel like a new person (don't tell anyone, but I cried more than once).

I learned more from this class than I did in my entire 4 years of college.

This is a class that I will do my best to always attend. I missed one class due to I-75 gridlock, and I regret it.



What can the Senior Experience do for You?

The First Class for the Rest of Your Life

Do you know where you're going to...?

Theme song from the movie *Mahogany*

So, you've made it! All that hard work and study is about to pay off, and you're ready for...

What? Your first job? Graduate school? A big promotion? Starting a business? The rest of your life? **KSU 4401** provides opportunities to reflect on where you're coming from, where you are and where you're going; a chance to put it all together.

Topics include:

Reflecting on Your College Experience

Putting together the pieces of your college experience to better understand how it all fits in your professional and personal life.

Career Development

- ◆ Portfolio Development
- ◆ Identifying marketable skills
- ◆ Writing an effective resume
- ◆ Interviewing skills
- ◆ Increasing effectiveness in achieving personal and professional goals

Citizenship

Opportunities to examine the rights and responsibilities of college-educated citizens in a global society.

Here's What Former KSU 4401 Students Have to Say

I just got a job today! I graduate on Monday and I begin work on Tuesday. They loved my resume and my portfolio won me the job!

I learned that even my "lousy college jobs" taught me skills that will help me achieve my career goals....

I was very inspired by the private work time because it made me think about things I didn't know the answer to. It opened up my heart and mind.

This class helps you get organized, have goals and an understanding of how to increase your effectiveness.

I learned 5 times more than I expected, and I would recommend the class to others. It has improved me in all areas of my life, business and personal.

One Course—Common Goals—Varied Approaches

Each instructor applies his or her unique background and perspective to achieve course goals. The following provides a brief overview of each instructor's focus.



Dr. Joan Leichter Dominick

Joan is the Director of Portfolios for the Student Success Programs and the Senior Year Experience. Collaborating with the Technology Labs, Joan's class emphasizes the development of the **E-Portfolio: Passport to Global Citizenship** for college students. Joan focuses on:

1. Using **Folio Thinking for the 21st century workforce**,
2. Creating a portfolio using **On-Line Career Portfolio, ITS WebFolio & PTD Pocket E Portfolio**,
3. Using **KSU Career & Technology Resources**, and
4. Learning about your citizenship role from local to global community.



Professor Richard Grover

With a background in business and psychology, Dick focuses on:

1. **Job finding** skills including portfolio development, resume writing, interviewing & salary negotiation.
2. **Service-Learning** activities to provide students with the opportunity to apply academic knowledge to the real-world (a meaningful inclusion to any resume).
3. **The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People**. A powerful program that's a great addition to a resume. Each year thousands of people pay between \$1,100 and \$1,500 to receive **7 Habits** training—free to you in this class.



Dr. Deborah Smith

Deborah, SYE Coordinator, brings her previous work experience in student life and wellness to her teaching. Her primary focus is to help students become well-rounded and complete graduates who are ready to transition to their post-university experience. Her class includes:

1. **Reflecting on the university experience**,
2. **Assessing competencies**,
3. **Developing techniques to overcome weak areas**,
4. **Focusing on career search strategies**, and
5. **Learning important life skills**.