

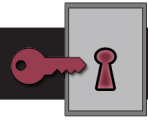
ACTIVITY 6.1



The Terminology of College

Learning skills: *inquiring, exploring context*

WHY



The college environment has its own terminology that you must learn as part of your transition to college. As you encounter new terminology in everyday life as well as in the courses you take, your comfort level increases the more you are able to “speak the language.” Your ability to learn language quickly in new settings increases your confidence and your ability to succeed.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES



1. Increase your vocabulary of common terms associated with college.
2. Use college terminology correctly in oral and written communication.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA



Criterion #1: the quality of your team’s definitions

Attributes:

- a. accuracy (supports the formal definition)
- b. clarity
- c. completeness

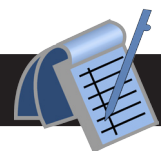
Criterion #2: your score on the terminology exam

RESOURCES



- computer and word processing software
- dictionary
- Student Handbook from your school
- College Catalog from your school
- *Foundations of Learning* textbook

PLAN



1. Form teams of four or five members.
2. Evenly divide the terms from the Vocabulary List (on the next page) among the teams in your class.

3. Create a team glossary. Use the suggested resources to define the terms in your team's vocabulary list. Create a document using a word processor that contains your team's definitions. Save your work and print a copy.
4. Create a team quiz. Use a word processor to create a quiz that tests the basic understanding of the terms you have defined. Use any of the following test formats (or some combination, if you prefer): matching, true-false, multiple choice, and/or sentence completion. Save your work.
5. Create a class glossary. Combine the files containing definitions from all the teams into one large vocabulary file or glossary. Print the file so that each team or individual has a copy of the entire glossary.
6. Create a class vocabulary quiz. Submit the quiz files to your instructor who will create a vocabulary quiz for the class to take at a determined time.

Vocabulary List

academic advisor	credit hour	grants	registrar
academic probation	curriculum	higher education	registration
accreditation	Dean	humanities	retention
add/drop	Dean's list	independent study	residence hall
adjunct faculty	degree program	junior (standing)	sabbatical
Associate's Degree	department	liberal arts	scholarship
Associate Professor	dissertation	lower division	semester system
Bachelors Degree	Doctoral Degree	major	senior (standing)
bursar	electives	Master's Degree	social sciences
catalog or bulletin	exchange program	matriculate	sophomore
chancellor	extracurricular	mentor	sorority
CLEP	faculty	minor	syllabus
coeducational	final exams	orientation	technical school
college	financial aid	pass/fail	tenure
commencement	fraternity	plagiarism	thesis
community college	freshman	pre-registration	transcript
continuing education	full-time student	prerequisite	transfer credit
cooperative education	general education	professional degree	university
core curriculum	GPA	Professor	upper division
course number	graduate school	quarter system	work-study