



Curry College & Beyond Akeela 1 Credit Experiential Learning Course

Course Description

This 7-day course introduces students to experiential learning through a series of structured, interactive modules. Students will build self-awareness, understand their learning preferences through the Kolb Experiential Learning Profile (KELP), and develop foundational professional skills such as team collaboration, feedback exchange, hands on activities and focus on aspects of interpersonal communication. The course introduces tools for academic and career readiness.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, students will:

1. Engage in the full Experiential Learning Cycle through practical activities.
2. Apply their learning strengths and navigate learning challenges.
3. Identify resources that support success.
4. Build self-confidence and flexibility as learners.
5. Practice professional communication and team-based skills.
6. Initiate a portfolio that supports long-term development.

Course Details

Duration: 7 days

Time Commitment: 3 hours per day

Grading: Pass/Fail

Grading Breakdown:

- Participation & Engagement – 40%
- Completion of Experiential Tasks – 30%
- Assigned Reflections – 30%

1 Credit Experiential Learning Course: Day-by-Day Schedule

Day	Theme	Key Topics	Experiential Activity	Supports Provided
Day 1	Introduction & Setting the Stage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Course overview - Kolb model - Personal goals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take KERP assessment - Choose: Walk & Talk, Journal, or Video Reflection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Peer/staff partner - Structured prompts - Flexible formats
Day 2	Learning Styles & KERP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learning preferences - Team inclusion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grouped by learning style to design an inclusive event with defined roles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agendas - Visual timers - Optional scripts & headphones - "Pause" cards
Day 3	Team Learning & Strength Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Team dynamics - Navigating campus resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Campus Quest scavenger hunt across key support locations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Peer buddy option - Staff support partner - Sensory-friendly maps - Printed scripts
Day 4	Managing Conflict & Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conflict management - Feedback exchange 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scenario responses: act, narrate, or write - Team debriefs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Role flexibility - Emotion visuals - Verbal/written debriefs
Day 5	Research, Presentation & Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Self-presentation - Professional identity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "About Me" - Choose: 30-sec intro video, Canva or Storyboard resume 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Templates - Captions - Multiple format options
Day 6	Learning Flexibility & Career Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work-life balance - Career exposure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choose: Live interview, email Q&A, or podcast - Prep questions with coaching 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multiple format options - Sentence starters - Sensory-friendly interview setting
Day 7	Final Integration & Reflection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reflection & application of learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choose: Video, Toolkit, Letter, or Metaphor-based reflection - Group wrap-up discussion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prompt cards - Quiet spaces - Peer/coach support - Flexible submission methods