

HAVE YOU EVER
WANTED TO TRY
a new path?

WHAT IS THE Hoverter course IN THE HUMANITIES?

Has your education had a rough start as a young adult?

- Have you completed high school or a G.E.D. but “higher education” in college seems too intimidating?
- Have your economic circumstances left you feeling cut off from a life of learning, culture, and active citizenship you see others enjoying?

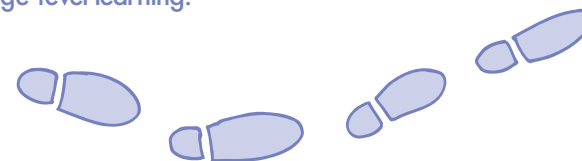
Then the Hoverter course in the Humanities is designed just for you.

Sponsored by Messiah College’s Center for Public Humanities and the Perry County Literacy Council, this course in five humanities disciplines (writing, communication, critical/ethical thinking, creative arts, and history/civics) provides a bridge experience between high school and college-level learning.

While broadening your cultural and civic awareness, you will also benefit from developing your employment-related skills in writing, critical thinking, and communication. And along the way, you will develop in yourself a sense of personal empowerment that can propel you to pursue further formal education and a life of meaningful employment and engaged citizenship.

After completing this kind of humanities studies course, several students have written things like this about their experience:

“Before this course, I never knew I even had a thought process. I guess I just reacted to everything. Now I realize that there are choices out there for me to make for ME and I’m not afraid to try,” and “Before [this course], school and everything about education felt like prison. I felt so rejected all the time and couldn’t figure out how to get ahead without education, but I always failed. Now I know that those ideas, what education is all about, isn’t owned by just schools and teachers. They can be mine too if I’m interested and if I work at it.”



the
CENTER for
PUBLIC HUMANITIES



HOVERTER COURSE IN THE HUMANITIES
Application & schedule

WHO IS *eligible?*

The Hoverter Course in the Humanities provides **FREE, COLLEGE-LEVEL INSTRUCTION** to economically and educationally disadvantaged individuals aged 18 or older.

- books and articles are provided free
- child care and transportation reimbursement if needed to complete course
- 16 students admitted into the class
- 3 college credits for those who successfully complete the five units

WHAT YOU WILL *study*

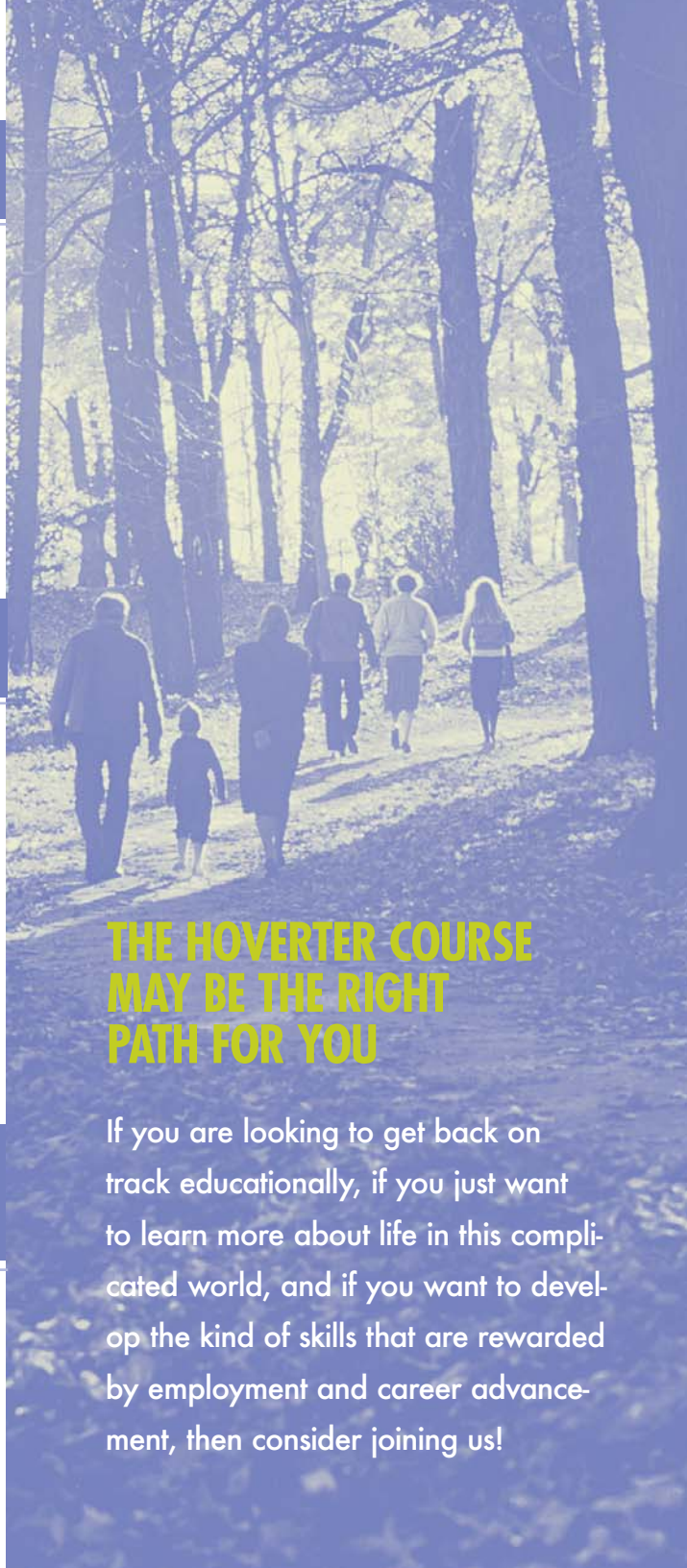
Course participants will receive class instruction in five different humanities disciplines over the seven-month period:

- writing
- communication
- critical/ethical thinking
- creative arts
- history/civics

Instructors are experienced college faculty members who have been chosen for their expertise and commitment to working with non-traditional learners.

Hours AND location OF THE COURSE

The course will be held in the library of Newport High School on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:00–8:30, beginning in September and ending in March.



THE HOVERTER COURSE MAY BE THE RIGHT PATH FOR YOU

If you are looking to get back on track educationally, if you just want to learn more about life in this complicated world, and if you want to develop the kind of skills that are rewarded by employment and career advancement, then consider joining us!

APPLICATION *information*

1. Complete the attached application form, along with a one-page supporting essay.
2. Mail your application with essay to (or drop them off at) one of the following locations:

Messiah College
Center for Public Humanities
P.O. Box 3009
Grantham, PA 17027
groff@messiah.edu

Susan Risner, Executive Director
Perry County Literacy Council
P.O. Box 37, 232 Market Street
Newport, PA 17074

3. You will receive a phone call or letter confirming receipt of your application shortly after submitting it. Should you have any questions or need further information please contact either of these individuals:

Dr. Bernardo Michael, Director
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(717) 691-6013
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APPLICATION *Form*

Name: (Last, First, Middle) _____

Age _____

Social Security Number: _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Do you need childcare to attend classes? _____

If so, how many children? _____

Would you need bus fare or transportation reimbursement? _____

EDUCATION

Highest grade completed _____

Are you currently in school? _____

G.E.D. Recipient? _____

Working on your G.E.D.? _____

Have you ever attended college? _____

Where and When? _____

Why did you stop? _____

EMPLOYMENT/TRAINING

Skill/Occupation _____

Employed: full-time _____ Employed part-time _____

Unemployed _____ Volunteer _____

Enrolled in other programs? Yes _____ No _____

Names of Program(s) _____

Please attach an informal one-page essay with this application form, describing yourself, your interests, why you want to attend the course, and how this might fit into your plans for advancing your education.