Take this class if you’re willing to leave suburbia and experience art up close and personal! Think of your professors as field guides, helping you investigate the artistic process. Some weeks we’ll meet at the assigned Friday hours. But we’ll also take at least five required field trips to places like a Berkeley artist’s studio, the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, and an amazing sculpture farm in Woodside. Our trips will use the class time plus the hours after, which can be as late as five o’clock. Take it only if you can commit to attending all the trips which means no other Friday classes.

You’ll LOVE this class, trust us.

Fri 8-11:10AM #7058 IGETC Area 3A, CSU Area C1, Honors: Humanities/Art

Professor Curtis Corlew is an artist, journalist, photographer, and really bad guitar player. He has been known to award bonus points for snarky, but on-point comments. He’ll also give bonus points to the first three people who can explain the connection between the painting above and bicycling. Curtis has a tendency to get worked up over typography, black and white photography, punctuality and the First Amendment.

Professor Eric Sanchez earned his MFA from San Francisco State University. He is an active artist, designer, maker and is a passionate do it yourself “It’s all about the process!” kinda guy. Eric wants to see you stretch your creative soul in the act of understanding artwork that challenges the mind.

Honors English 221
Advanced Composition & Critical Thinking

What do a Superbowl ad, a presidential speech and a column in the LMC Experience have in common? They’re all arguments: someone is trying to persuade you using some sort of reasoning, rhetorical bluster, or some such trickery. Honors English 221 focuses on analyzing arguments and bringing your academic writing skills up to the next level in preparation for transfer. But don’t take it from us, here’s what LMC & UC Berkeley alumnus (and current Yale Law student) Miguel Mauricio says, “My experience at Cal has been great, but it has also been challenging. Los Medanos as a whole did not prepare me, but there are two classes that I have taken there that did and one of them was Mr. Sterling’s 221 class. Use this class as practice to prepare yourself for your future academic careers.” How’s that for persuasion?!

MW 11:10AM-12:35PM #8442 IGETC 1B, CSU A3; Honors: Humanities/Art

Professor Alex Sterling has a BA in philosophy from Macalester College, an MA in philosophy from Purdue University, and an MA in English from Cal State East Bay. Alex has been married to Julianne since 1999, and they have two sons, Jasper and Adlai, who are in high school and middle school. Alex loves to read (especially on his patio in Albany), and has lately been reading about the conspiracist mind-set, the “outrage industry,” and sexism in high-tech, in addition to novels, ethics, and various nonfiction.
Honors English/Social Sci 136
Introduction to Gender Studies

This first-ever Honors course introduces foundational interdisciplinary concepts in Gender Studies. What does gender have to do with power? What movements and change-makers have worked to combat gender inequalities? We'll explore gender's relationship with race, class, sexuality, and other identities. You'll read cutting-edge sociological research about perspectives used to understand gender and how it operates across social and cultural institutions. Especially popular will be units that focus on gender in the media, in the workplace, in politics, in family dynamics, and of course in romantic relationships. Expect to be challenged academically and personally as we learn together and strive toward greater consciousness.

TuTh 11:10-12:35PM #0305 IGETC 4D, CSU Area D; Honors: Soc/Beh Science

Professor Jill Buettner grew up in Central California and had a career as a professional ballet dancer in her early twenties. She got her MA in literature and composition from Sacramento State. She loves critical theory, pop culture, yoga, and shoes. You will never see her without a cup of coffee.

Honors Math 110
Introduction to Statistics

A nurse records an unusually high Troponin level on an incoming patient, which might mean they've just suffered a heart attack. But, how unusual really, is this number? How high is enough to cause alarm? Statistics to the rescue! In this class we'll learn whether an observation is highly unlikely, discover methods to collect data without biases, and experience testing our own hypotheses about the world. For example, how can you test the claim that that protein powder is a better choice for muscle mass gain than working out? In this class you'll learn how. You'll love the smaller class size and creative assignments in this ever-popular honors course.

TuTh 2:40-4:45PM #7314 IGETC Area 2, CSU Area B4, Honors: Math/Science

Professor Rick Estrada is a proud graduate Modesto Junior College who holds a B.A. and M.A. in mathematics from San Francisco State University. On his commute to LMC he enjoys listening to podcasts, most recently Radiolab and The Joe Rogan Experience. A sportsman at heart, Rick has recently started learning Jiu Jitsu when not spending quality time with his loving family: wife, Vichet, and two children, Sofia and Julian.
Honors Political Science 10
Introduction to American Government

The growing disparity in wealth between working class people and the upper 10% is a major political issue as we enter the 2020 Presidential Election cycle. What should be done about this widening gulf? Does the American Dream still exist? Will we do better than our parents? Using the recent best-seller *Our Kids* by Harvard Professor Robert Putnam, this Honors Course will focus on social mobility as a dominant political issue in our nation. You’ll examine ways our government can or should address the issues Putnam raises through his compelling examination of the arc from the booming WWII generation to today. As an aspiring college student you can’t afford to miss this class. Literally.

**TuTh 9:35-11AM #0207, IGETC 4H, CSU Area D & US History 1; Honors: Soc/Beh Sci**

**Professor Ryan Hiscocks** earned his MA in political science from CSU Long Beach. Before becoming a college professor he worked as a rigging grip in motion picture industry, then a laborer in the airline industry. Ryan has traveled in more than 20 countries and he enjoys backpacking and fishing in the Sierra Nevada mountains with his awesome wife Ashley. He is looking forward to continuing to hike, fish, and travel with his wife along with their two sons, Rex and Everett… as soon as they’re old enough.

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Honors Speech 110
Honors Speech Communication
*Brentwood Section*

Did you know public speaking excellence is one the top skills employers want? Whether you’re trying to convince a venture capitalist to fund your startup, training a group of new employees, or advocating for your favorite cause, public speaking is a key ability for a successful life. In this collaborative and supportive class you’ll focus on ways to adapt to a diverse audience, find ways to engage even the toughest crowds and of course, disguise public speaking nerves. If you are looking for a fun and challenging course that can give you hands-on experience in all of those skills, this honors course is the place for you. Come join us as we read, write, speak, think, and laugh our way toward some truly key skills for success.

**MW 8-9:25AM #9536 IGETC 1C; CSU Area A1; Honors Soc/Beh Sci**

**Professor Star Steers** earned her MA in Communication Studies at San Francisco State University where she also studied international relations and linguistics, a perfect combination for her LMC role. Star is Co-Director of the LMC Debate Team, and she has four kids at home to further sharpen her argumentation skills. She is also a roller-coaster aficionada. Ask her about her rides on numerous record-breaking coasters.
Honors Philosophy 122
Honors Bioethics
Honors Seminar

- In heated custody disputes of same-sex couples, whose parental rights count, the woman who births a baby, or the woman who donated the egg?
- Can a doctor refuse a treatment that goes against her religious beliefs?
- Should genetic testing be used to determine your medical insurance rates?

The human body is the site of some of the most ethically contentious battles. Who should control our bodies and make decisions about how we perceive our bodies and what medical care we receive? This course will cover questions of medical ethics from the patients to the practitioners, on topics ranging from abortion to euthanasia and patient rights. Whether you are a medical student or not, everyone interacts with the medical establishment at different stages of our lives. All of us need to understand the ethics of medical care and try to find answers for the complex questions before we find ourselves on the hospital bed making these tough decisions.

MW 12:45-2:10PM #2216  IGETC 3B; CSU C2; Honors Seminar

Professor Edward Haven Received a Masters Degree from the University of Chicago and his BA from UC Riverside, where he studied Post-modern Hermeneutics and Phenomenology. His current interests range from seriousness, to names and meaning. At heart, he seeks to define the undefinable. In his free time, he enjoys soccer and is convinced he could coach a team from the lower leagues all the way to the top.