

OCEAN CITY UNIVERSITY

SCHEDULE FALL 2009

ISSUES IN GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SEPTEMBER 23, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. - Week 1 2 credits

Freshmen Orientation and Overview of Ocean City

In this Introduction to Municipal Government students will learn about the Council-Manager form of government, the organizational structure of departments and the many intergovernmental relationships. Opportunities for volunteerism on town boards and commissions will also be covered as well as a tour of the Ocean City Lifesaving Station Museum.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers and Ocean City Lifesaving Station Museum

SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 – Week 2 2 credits

Finance 101 - Budget, Finance and Taxes

Students will learn about the budget and budget process, how your tax dollars work and gain an understanding of the financial operations of Ocean City. Additionally, information on grants and grant management will be covered in this session.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers

OCTOBER 7, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. - Week 3 2 credits

Trains, Planes and Automobiles

Learn about the operation of the town's municipal bus system and how it relates to traffic in Ocean City. Course also covers the municipal airport and its role.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers and Ocean City Municipal Airport

OCTOBER 14, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. – Week 4 2 credits

Keeping the Records and Following the Law

Studies the inner workings and duties of the City Clerk's office. This course will also give an overview of the City Solicitor's position and role. The Chief of Police will give an overview of the police department.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers

OCTOBER 21, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. - Week 5 2 credits

What Makes the City Run

Course looks at the Town's purchasing process, procedures and fleet maintenance. Students will also learn about Ocean City's Information Technology Department and what's behind the scenes making everything work.

Meeting Location: Purchasing Warehouse and Service Center 65th Street

OCTOBER 28, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. – Week 6 2 credits

When You Call 911, 911 Calls Us

A closer look at fire and fire protection services, including the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company and the Ocean City Fire Department, which includes Emergency Medical Services, Career Fire Fighters and the Fire Marshal.

Meeting Location: 15th Street Fire Headquarters

PUBLIC SAFETY – TO PROTECT AND SERVE

NOVEMBER 4, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. – Week 7 2 credits

Emergency Services

Studies in this program include a look at Communications, Emergency Management and Radio Communications. Participants will also tour the Communications Center.

Meeting Location: Public Safety Building Training Room

FUN IN THE SUN

NOVEMBER 11, 2009 – No Class Veteran’s Day

NOVEMBER 18, 2009 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.- Week 8 2 credits

Studies in Recreation and Sports – REC 101

This course will provide an overview of recreation and parks programs and services offered. Students will also learn about the operation of Eagle’s Landing Golf Course, the Ocean City Tennis Center, Special Events and Beach Patrol.

Meeting Location: Northside Park Community Room

SPRING 2010

INFRASTRUCTURE AND IMPROVEMENTS

JANUARY 13, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. – Week 9 2 credits

Planning and Community Development 101

This course will cover the general duties and responsibilities of the Department of Planning and Community Development. Included will be GIS and an overview of zoning.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers

JANUARY 20, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.- Week 10 2 credits

Construction and Permits

Students will learn about the permit process for building and construction in Ocean City. How the department works and what is the role of the building and zoning inspectors are just some of the topics covered.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers

JANUARY 27, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. – Week 11 2 credits

Engineering and Environmental Services

Learn about the Engineering Department operations. Also covered is the role of engineering in protecting the environment of the Maryland Coastal Bays.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers

FEBRUARY 3, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. – Week 12 2 credits

Behind the Scenes – Public Works Operations

This course will cover the operations of the Public Works Department from administration to maintenance and construction

Meeting Location: 65th Street Public Works Facility

FEBRUARY 10, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.- Week 13

2 credits

People, Safety and Insurance

Participants will learn about Ocean City's Risk Management department, safety and self-insurance programs. A review of our Human Resources department will also be included in this course.

Meeting Location: City Hall Council Chambers

FEBRUARY 17, 2010 – No Class

FEBRUARY 24, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.- Week 14

2 credits

The Waterworks - History and Development the Water and Wastewater Departments

Participants will learn how the water and wastewater departments operate. Class includes a tour of both facilities.

Meeting Location: Wastewater Training Room – 64th St./Seabay Drive

MARCH 3, 2010– 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.- Week 15

2 credits

From Trash to Treasure

This course explains the operation of the solid waste transfer station, trash collection and recycling programs.

Meeting Location – Transfer Station and Recycling Center

MARCH 10, 2010 – 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.- Week 16

2 credits

Fun in the Sun

Students will learn about the Ocean City Convention Center and its role in promoting tourism. Also covered will be an overview of the public relations and media services provided by the town.

Meeting Location: Convention Center – Room TBA