

# Fall 2016 Seminar Descriptions



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#	Seminar	Teacher	Description
1	<b>Algebra 2 support</b>	Frank Divinagracia	If you're enrolled in Algebra 2 and would like some additional math support, this is the class for you.
2	<b>Art Studio</b>	Lorenzo Rams	If you love art – specifically drawing and painting – and wish you had some more time in the day to draw, sign up for this class!
3	<b>Cardio Fitness (Running)</b>	Amy Sy & Wendy Cha	This seminar will give students the opportunity to get their heart-rate up with a good run! Whatever your fitness goals are, we will support you in achieving them. <b>STUDENT ARE REQUIRED TO DRESS IN APPROPRIATE RUNNING CLOTHES AND RUN.</b> Runs are off-campus.
4	<b>Creative Writing</b>	Darcey Brown	Do you love to express yourself through writing? In this seminar Ms. Brown will guide you through creative activities to write, workshop, publish, and share your own poetry, short stories, plays, songs, and other pieces.
5	<b>Cross-fit</b>	Gerard Besina	We will be combining metabolic conditioning, gymnastic movements, and weightlifting for an advanced and rigorous workout. Come ready to work hard and have fun!
6	<b>Cycling</b>	Ray Perez	Join Mr. Perez in getting exercise by cycling on several different off-campus routes. You'll need a bicycle and helmet for this one!
7	<b>Dance (Zumba)</b>	Francisca Marquez	This seminar is designed for students of all levels; no experience required. Enjoy this cardiovascular and dynamic work out that tones muscles, develops core strength, and increases balance and flexibility.
8	<b>Flight School</b>	Dan Mikkelsen	This unique program, taught by private pilot Dan Mikkelsen, teaches students to plot courses and fly an airplane on a flight simulator. <b>Students will have opportunities on weekends to fly in real airplanes –including flying the airplane yourself!</b>
9	<b>Game Strategy</b>	Sam Kurczek	Learn the techniques and strategies of playing different types of board games and card games.
10	<b>Improv</b>	TBD	Learn the skills and enjoy the experience of on-the-spot performances on stage!
11	<b>Mock Trial</b>	Julie Ichiroku	The purpose of this course is to learn and practice the basic elements of trial advocacy. There will be a strong emphasis on participation as students will take on the roles of attorneys, witnesses, and other courtroom players while “competing” against others in a mock trial. <i>NOTE: Being in this class does not guarantee a position on the DVS Mock Trial team. Please see Mrs. Ichiroku for further information on auditioning for the team.)</i>
12	<b>Photoshop</b>	Michael Prendergast	Students in this course will have the opportunity to learn and improve their photoshop skills with projects of their choice.
13	<b>Precalculus support</b>	Andrew McGregor	If you're enrolled in Precalculus and would like some additional math support, this is the class for you.
14	<b>Robotics</b>	Aaron Tostado	Come learn the basics of robotics and build your own robots using VEX kits for use in competitions!

15	<b>Rock Climbing</b>	Hangar 18 Rock Gym	Students in this seminar will walk to Hangar 18 indoor rock gym to learn and practice rock climbing.
16	<b>School Leadership</b>	Jeannine Liang & Kat Ramos	Students in this seminar will have the opportunity to serve the rest of the school by designing and organizing the various school activities, dances, and other events!
17	<b>Science Support</b>	Jessica Muratalla	Do you wish you had some extra help in your science class? If so, sign up here for extra support!
18	<b>Space Innovations &amp; Exploration</b>	Air Force Lt. Col. Robert Atkins	This is an academic course taught by a member of the U.S. Air Force that examines the application of space systems, including building and launching SpaceX rocket models.
19	<b>Spanish Support</b>	Merily Hernandez	Do you wish you had some extra help in your Spanish class? If so, sign up here for extra support!
20	<b>Study Hall</b>	Billy Rios	This seminar teaches organization, goal setting, and time management skills, giving students the opportunity to get and stay organized and on top of their schoolwork.
21	<b>Teacher Assistance</b>	DV Teachers	Help the Da Vinci staff in their work making DVS great!
22	<b>Work Experience</b>	Schehrezade Lodhy	(Open to Juniors and Seniors only) This seminar will provide you with the valuable opportunity to develop a cover letter and resume, acquaint you with the necessary interview skills in order to be successful in the workplace, and allow you to work off campus with a local business. Please check in with Ms. Lodhy for specific expectations PRIOR to signing up for this seminar.
23	<b>Yearbook</b>	Travis Wimer & Erika Magana	Imagine looking back ten years from now and reminiscing about your Da Vinci experience. Be in charge of shaping everyone's Da Vinci memories by being on the Yearbook staff. You should be a strong writer, full of creativity and overflowing with Da Vinci spirit!
24	<b>Yoga</b>	Jamie Larson & Corinne Valle	Yoga has the power to induce a calming, centered, state of mental and physical satiety. You will be guided through your practice by a certified yoga instructor. Choose Yoga as an energizing and relaxing end to your school day.
25	<b>Youth &amp; Government</b>	Saya Wai & Elena McBee	Guided by the organization's motto "Democracy Must Be Learned By Each Generation," California YMCA Youth & Government builds values-based leadership and civic engagement in California's youth in order to strengthen participation in our democracy.