

# OneGoal Y2 Syllabus

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## A National Program

Welcome back to OneGoal! We are a National organization with over 14,000 Fellows, 186 schools and six regions (see map below) across the United States. Our mission is to ensure that every young person will have an equitable opportunity to achieve their greatest postsecondary aspiration. You are joining a family of Fellows (students), Program Directors (teachers), OneGoal staff and our network of supporters that will support you over the next three-years.



## Three-Year Program

Each year, Fellows will engage in a variety of experiences to help them gain a deeper sense of self, develop a stronger vision for what they want their future to look like and an opportunity to take the necessary steps to realize that future. Below are some of the overarching topics for each program year.

### Year 1 (Y1), Junior Year Course Topics

- + Building relationships with your peers and OneGoal Program Director (PD)
- + Deepening understanding of you identity and strengths
- + (re)Discovering and affirming your values, interests and professional aspiration
- + Knowing the postsecondary landscape and exploring the pathway(s) that will best position you to pursue your aspiration
- + Creating a list of institutions and / or programs you plan to apply to in the fall of senior year
- + Increase your GPA to broaden the options that are available to you after high school

### Year 2 (Y2), Senior Year Course Topics

- + Reflecting on aspirations and creation of postsecondary pathways lists
- + Complete applications to postsecondary institutions and / or programs
- + Secure financial aid and scholarships
- + Weigh options based on identity, strengths, values, professional aspiration and funding
- + Choose your postsecondary pathway and begin the enrollment process

# Year 3 (Y3), First Year in Postsecondary Experience

- + Leverage OneGoal summer support to successfully begin postsecondary institution or program in the fall
- + Connect with Program Director throughout the year to discuss academic, social, financial, career plans and personal well-being
- + Access institution or program staff and resources to ensure smooth transition and experience
- + Renew financial aid application + re(commit) to institution or program for next year

## Y2: Senior Year

We are eager for you to dive into the fall semester of Year Two (Y2). You will begin the semester both reconnecting with your cohort and yourself, or if you are new to OneGoal, you will begin to connect with the people in your cohort. With the support of your family and community, you will leverage your self-efficacy and agency to apply to your selected post-secondary institutions as well as apply for funding. Throughout the fall semester and year, you will continue to complete rigorous academic work with the same focus areas as Year One.

## General Schedule

### Zone 1 Highlights: (August-September)

- + Module 0: Welcome back to OneGoal!
- + Module 1: Regrounding in Community:
- + Module 2: Setting Up Y2: Organization and Structures for Success in Y2
  - + Milestone activities: Introducing Canvas Quiz AND Contact Info Form
- + Module 3: Revisiting my Aspirations
  - + Milestone activity: Revisiting your Goals
- + Module 4: Finalizing My Post-Secondary Plan
  - + Milestone activity: Creating your Best Fit List OR Revising your Best Fit List

### Zone 2 Highlights: (October-December)

- + Module 0: Personal Statements
  - + Milestone activity: Personal Statement Final Submission
- + Module 1: Preparing for Application Season
  - + Milestone activity: Application Tracking Tool
- + Module 2: Quality Enrollment: Financial Fit: Federal and State Aid
  - + Milestone activity: Submit your EFC to OneGoal OR Feelings about FAFSA
- + Module 3: Postsecondary Applications
  - + Milestone activities: Taking Good Care and Celebrating Progress AND Applications Submitted Form
- + Module 4: Quality Enrollment: Financial Fit: Scholarships
  - + Milestone activity: Applying for Scholarships
- + Module 5: Reflecting and Celebrating
  - + Milestone activity: Zone 2 Project Presentation

## Grading

OneGoal is a graded, credited course, using your high school's customary grading scale. Cumulative grades will be based on the progress you make during each individual Zone throughout the course. I will give bonus points to the first student who emails me a picture of a 1982 Yugo email to my work email address. The following weighted grading percentages will be used to determine your cumulative course grade:

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- + Goal Setting & Organization (25%)
- + Attendance, Participation and Reflections (25%)
- + Zone Assessments (35%)
- + Final (15%)

# Family/Community Support

A successful senior year relies heavily on the support of your “Network of Champions”, or your cohort, PD, family, and community members who are invested in your success. Below are some activities and conversations which you will be required to participate in to ensure that all of your supporters stay informed on your journey in order to best help you!

- + Share and review the syllabus with your family or the person who is likely to be the biggest part of your post-secondary journey this year.
- + What questions or concerns do you have about senior year? What questions does your family/supporter have?
- + Which post-secondary pathways are you considering? Share your thought and ask your family/supporter if they have any ideas on things, you should consider before applying

# Course Policies

- + Attendance in Discussions: Please note that attendance during synchronous class time is so important to our cohort community, your growth, and your grade. If you cannot participate in a previously scheduled cohort discussion time, it is your responsibility to inform your PD ahead of time.
- + Cheating/plagiarism: If a student is caught cheating or plagiarizing another’s work, the grade is automatically a zero, parents/guardians will be notified, and additional consequences will be assigned according to school policy.
- + Presence: Students are expected to present themselves as mature leaders and future professionals. Therefore, respect for their classmates, their instructor, their assignments, and themselves is the expectation.
- + While OneGoal can be exciting, engaging and even fun, preparing for post-secondary success is hard work that requires careful planning and a personal commitment to responsibility. The OneGoal classroom is a place where students develop a plan for achieving the big goals they have for themselves, and will support one another as a team in pursuit of those goals.

# Course Office Hours:

Similarly to many post-secondary institutions, Benjamin Buso will provide office hours. Attending office hours can provide an opportunity to meet one-on-one with your Program Director to reflect on your progress in the course. Office hours ensure that there will be plenty of opportunities to measure and correct your progress towards meeting your post-secondary goals and securing a quality final grade.

**OFFICE HOURS HERE- Monday & Thursday 2:00 – 3:30pm**

Office hours will be in addition to scheduled one-on-one check-ins which are embedded in each Zone. This optional space is for you to seek additional assistance, get feedback, or to continue to build relationships.