

Freshman year of college is a huge adjustment from High School. Students are unsure of what classes to take, and can often be confused with lectures and discussions. Through a little investigating, many students have found the secret of “easy classes.” These “easy classes” include classes from specific majors that are at the 100 level course. The classes have made the time in class more enjoyable, and have made the course load easier for many freshman across campus.

An online class sounds like the perfect idea. Not going to class while completing a Gen Ed sounds like a great idea to some, but freshman Megan Gomberg from Long Grove, IL is a business major here at the University. Gomberg is currently enrolled in the online class Theatre 101. When asked about why she selected this class, she stated: “I heard about this class from my cousin because I was asking for GenEd’s he would recommend to take during my freshman year, and I was scared to take an online class for first semester, but it was really easy.” Many freshman can be skeptical about taking a course online their first semester, because they don’t know how the course load will be, in comparison to physically attending the class. Gomberg continued describing to me the course load of this online class: “The workload is really light. There is usually only a discussion during the week, and we have had two major plays we had to see and write paper treatments on them, but it’s very light.” This class is recommended to freshmen because, as Gomberg states, “there’s a calendar online so it’s really straight forward and an easy workload, and the quizzes are all simple and right in the book and the discussions are all opinion based and the paper treatments are fun to write after you’ve seen plays.”



Econ 102 is another popular course among students. Freshman Abby Lerman from Buffalo Grove, IL is a student enrolled in the easy econ class. Lerman described the course work of this class, saying: “There are 3 main tests throughout the semester and then, im sorry there were 5 tests, and then there was just classworks that you had to do every lecture and then the final’s optional if you like your grade in the class.” Lerman continued stating, “the work we do is online, and the lectures are optional. I hardly try, and I am getting an A in the class.”

These easy classes are just a few suggestions from freshman. Some more from students are ATMS120, KIN100, and GEOG118. Many freshman take these courses in order to relieve some stress for their freshman year, while getting in Gen Ed requirements at the same time!

