

selection of COURSES

Currently, 25 courses are available for adoption by faculty at participating institutions. These courses, including basic skills and general education courses, represent a variety of disciplines and subjects. Guest access to review current course materials and the accompanying demonstration course shell may be granted upon request.

BASIC SKILLS

Reading Skills
Introduction to English Composition
Basic College Mathematics
Elementary Algebra
Strategies for Success in College, Career, and Life

COMMUNICATIONS, LANGUAGES, & HUMANITIES

English Composition I
English Composition II
Introduction to Literature
Humanities: Foundations
Fundamentals of Public Speaking
World Religions
Introduction to Philosophy

SOCIAL SCIENCES, EDUCATION, & BUSINESS

General Psychology
Human Growth and Development
Human Relations in Business and Industry
Introductory Sociology
United States History to 1865
United States History From 1865 to the Present
Principles of Economics I: Macroeconomics
World Geography

NATURAL SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

College Algebra
Intermediate Algebra
Elementary Statistics
Topics in College Mathematics
Life in Its Biological Environment
Biology Laboratory

the SIRIUS ACADEMICS consortium

SIRIUS Academics facilitates a global, nonprofit educational consortium dedicated to improving the learning process and to offering ongoing professional development training at no cost to college and university faculty. Membership in the consortium also provides significantly reduced costs to students enrolled in SIRIUS Academics courses, opportunities for faculty to participate in and to share in the development and use of SIRIUS Academics courses, and registration and travel perks for faculty wishing to attend the annual *International Conference on College Teaching and Learning*.

To learn more about joining the consortium, use the information provided below. More information about the conference can be found at www.teachlearn.org.

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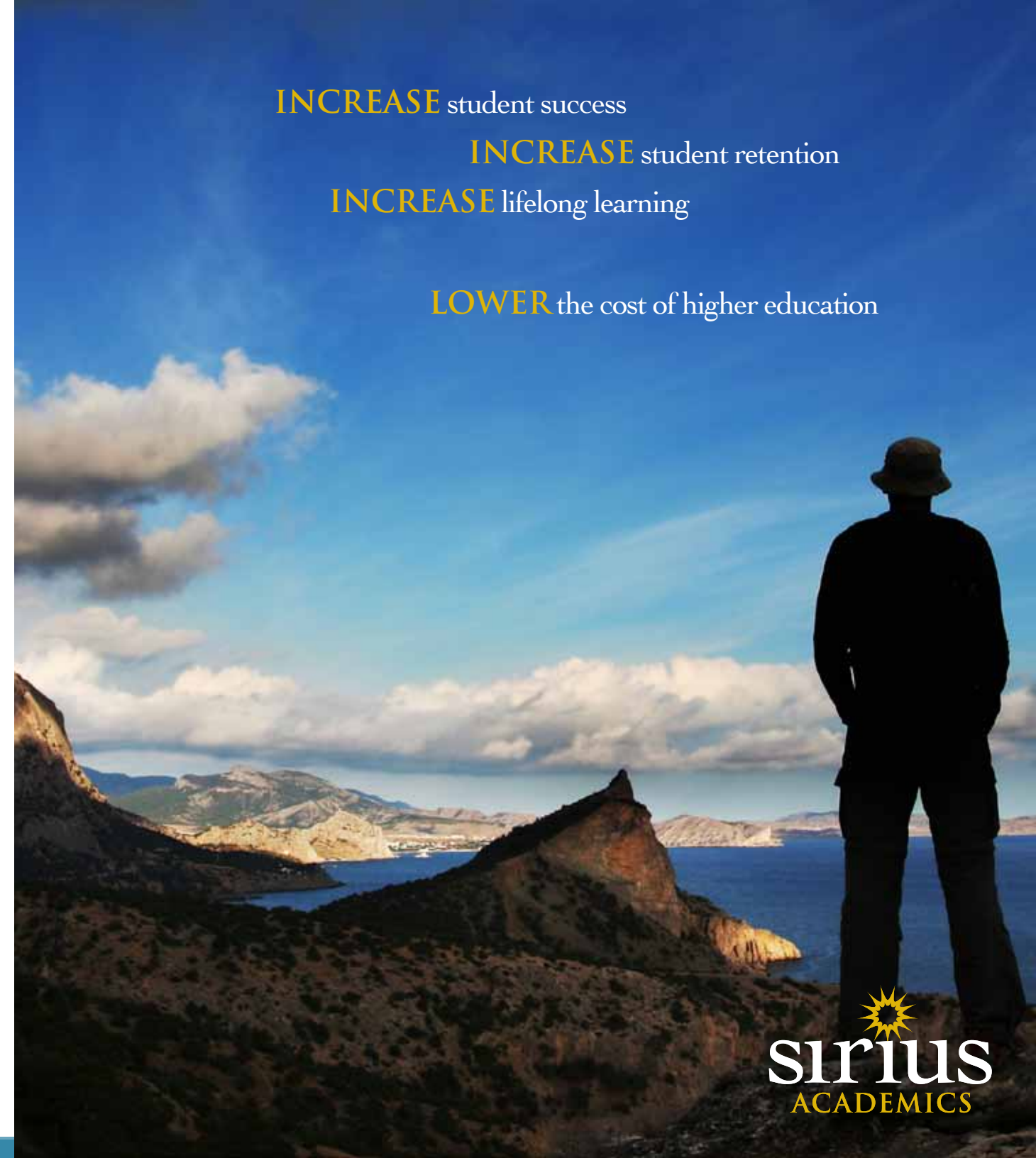
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INCREASE student retention

INCREASE lifelong learning

LOWER the cost of higher education



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SIRIUS Academics is a nonprofit auxiliary business of Florida State College at Jacksonville. Reflecting the College's commitment to creative, interactive learning, SIRIUS Academics strives to develop highly interactive, low-cost courses.



Course materials are comprised of original content and are deliverable in online, blended, or face-to-face modes. Covering a wide range of basic skills and general education courses, SIRIUS Academics is committed to increasing student success, increasing student retention, and lowering the cost of higher education for today's students. In addition, the courses strive to motivate students to become lifelong learners.

As flexible as you *want* them to be,
as turnkey as you *need* them to be.

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course *development*

SIRIUS Academics courses are complete course materials packages that are highly creative, engaging, interactive . . . and affordable. Courses are developed by teams comprised of faculty, instructional designers, multimedia specialists, quality assurance staff, and outside course reviewers. All content for each course is developed by the course team. Course pedagogy emphasizes the use of mastery learning, constructivism, interactivity through discussion questions, and collaboration. Through mastery learning, students memorize and retain important concepts presented in the course. The constructivist approach is reflected in student web-based and literature research, including capstone projects. Cooperative learning is used in online group discussions and team projects.

SIRIUS Academics courses are custom-built in the institution's own learning management system (LMS).

course *features*

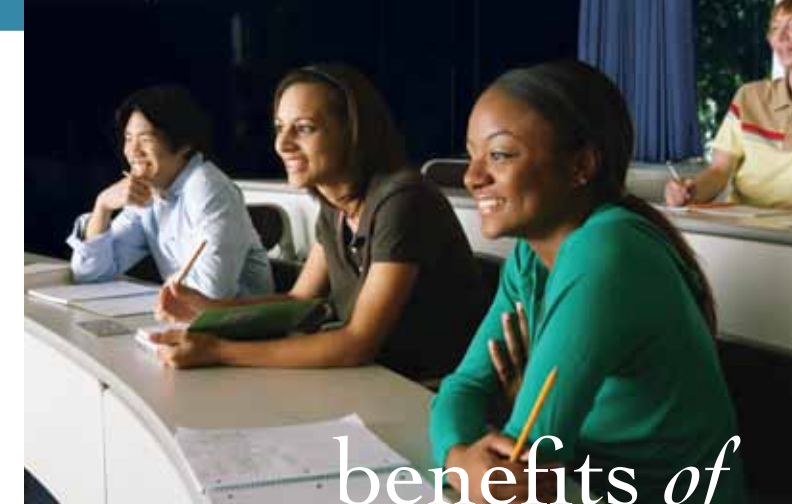
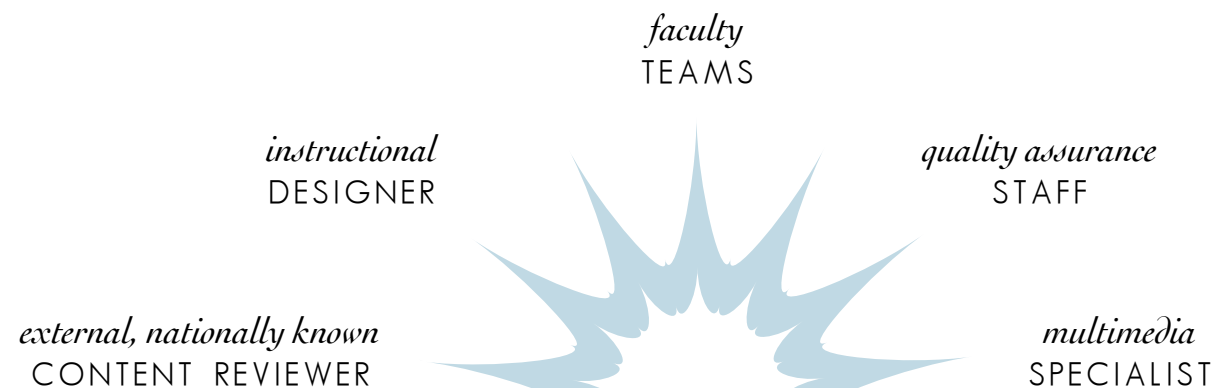
All SIRIUS Academics courses are developed as complete course materials packages. Courses, although complete, are fully customizable for faculty personalization. Included in each course are

- Original course content written by faculty members expert in the subject area
- Customizable course syllabus
- Relevant and topical discussion questions
- Interactive learning activities
- Assessments

faculty *development*

At the core of our mission is a commitment to faculty. The Online Professor Certificate training program is provided online at no cost to institutions participating in the SIRIUS Educational Consortium and is hosted and taught by Florida State College faculty. Program modules focus on interactive learning strategies, applications and use of multimedia in courses, mentoring, and LMS training. An official certificate is provided to all who complete the program.

content *and* pedagogical DEVELOPMENT



benefits *of* INTERACTIVE LEARNING

Students taking SIRIUS Academics courses at a variety of institutions have indicated that they enjoyed taking a SIRIUS course and, as a result, would like to learn more about the subject matter. In addition, students find SIRIUS courses to be accessible, engaging, relevant, and affordable. Designed to increase student success and retention, SIRIUS Academics courses will help your students attain their degree goals while lowering the cost of their education.

"I have used the SIRIUS Academics Introductory Sociology course materials and have integrated them into all of my introductory courses. My students have commented very positively about the courses as well. I encourage professors to make use of the SIRIUS Academics course materials. You won't be disappointed."

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