

Hagerstown Community College Chess Club

Syllabus, Academic Year 2014

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Mission: The Chess Club meets occasionally or weekly, as interest warrants, during the Fall and Spring semesters. Players of all skill levels are welcome to attend. There are no dues, and you do not need to bring a chess board or clock.

Goals: Increase the number of HCC students who play chess, improve players' skill level, promote leadership opportunities amongst applicable students, and support HCC's image in the chess-interested community at large.

Student Learning Outcomes: Students will enhance their cognitive abilities in areas such as forethought and planning, careful and detailed analysis and prediction of uncertain situations, and utilizing and assessing available information under time pressure. Students will practice basic intellectual skills in areas such as geometry and memorization of best practices to apply in specific chess situations. Students will further develop socially through camaraderie with other club members, practicing good sportsmanship, providing leadership as club officers, and teaching members with lesser chess abilities.

Planned Events: There are no events planned for the Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 terms.