The purpose of this creative project was to find ways for community colleges to assist its first-year students in becoming more comfortable in their college environment. Studies show that students who are socially integrated are more likely to persist than those who are not (Tinto, 1987). This information will help students understand the role of social involvement and its importance in fostering a positive college experience and ultimately helping them reach their goals. A 10-week one credit hour first-year experience (FYE) course was created which is mandatory for first-time freshman under 25 years of age who are pursuing Associates of Arts or Science degrees and is to be taken during their first semester at a community college.

The components of this creative project include an introduction to the project, a review of related literature, the methodology that was used, and the elements of the FYE course. The elements of the course include a project summary, course catalog and course description, course syllabus, lesson plans, and the website pages.