Early Start Program Workshops – 2023

- **A Fun and Engaging Exploration of Communication Processes, Thriving in a Technology Focused World, and Social Media:** In this fun and engaging workshop, students will explore fundamental communication processes, examine strategies for thriving in a technology focused world, and review the various types of social media permeating their daily lives. As a culminating experience, all students will take a deep dive into a selected social media. Students will also be introduced to cutting-edge technologies provided by Ball State to support learning. This workshop is an excellent choice for all majors.

- **Criminal Justice in Popular Culture:** In this three-day workshop, students will explore issues in criminal justice through discussion of current research in tandem with portrayals in popular culture. No technology is required, but students are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet.

- **Emerging Media Messaging and Communications:** Effective communication is key to every job, friendship and company. This engaging and interactive workshop will explore how companies use emerging media communication tools to connect with their audiences, solve problems, and grow their businesses.

- **From John Wick to the Three Musketeers: An Introduction to Stage and Screen Violence:** Come get hands-on “combat” training and learn how to safely execute violence in the arts. Through lecture/discussion, improvisation, drilling, and choreography, participants will learn techniques professional actors and stunt performers utilize. Note: participants need to be dressed to move.

- **Future Technology Innovations:** This workshop is focused around emerging trends in the technology field. This workshop will be comprised of hands-on learning activities supplemented with lecture-based content. Students should walk away from the workshop with a better understanding of the emerging trends in technology. The areas of focus include robotics, cloud computing, and cryptocurrency.

- **POWER into Math:** Worried or nervous about your Fall 2023 math class? This is the workshop for you! Designed for students taking MATH 110, 112, 113 and 114, 132, 161, or 165, students will use adaptive software to work on unfinished learning in their math skill sets. Students will retest using ALEKS PPL and may be able to enter into the next math course. Faculty will also provide general study skill techniques and strategies to help students have a great start at Ball State University!

- **Protect and Prevent:** In this workshop, you will learn how to keep yourself and others safe from sexual assault. We address common scenarios on college campuses and learn verbal and physical, violent and non-violent protection techniques. The workshop is highly interactive and allows you to practice everything you learn. All students, regardless of sex, gender, or sexual orientation are welcome to attend! The program this workshop is based on has been demonstrated to significantly reduce sexual assault risk.

- **Television News:** Get a glimpse of the business of television news from a TV news veteran. Students will have the opportunity to visit a working professional TV newsroom, create a news story, and develop a mini-newscast. This workshop will include a field trip to an Indianapolis television station.

- **The Infinite Museum: Seeing Art and Ourselves in New Ways:** Art is life! In this workshop, held entirely at BSU's David Owsley Museum of Art, students will learn a variety of new ways to bring art into their lives. How can it help us discover who we are? How can it help us connect to others? How does it connect to your major and future plans? This is an interactive, social workshop that will have us looking, playing, thinking, and seeing in new ways. We'll try a variety of off-beat approaches to thinking through art, do some creating, and make some new friends.

- **What Do You See? An Introduction to the Elements of Visual Design:** This workshop will explore the basic elements of visual design and how they can influence our thoughts and feelings toward a certain topic. Taught by a lighting design faculty member in the Department of Theatre, students will explore visual design in advertising, entertainment, and architecture.