

COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE: ELD 010 - English Basics 1

CLASS SECTION: BX01

TERM: Fall 2023

COURSE CREDITS: N/A

DELIVERY METHOD(S): In-person

Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lək̓ʷəŋən and WSÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here.

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The COVID-19 pandemic has presented many challenges, and Camosun College is committed to helping you safely complete your education. Following guidelines from the Provincial Health Officer, WorkSafe BC, and the B.C. Government to ensure the health and wellbeing of students and employees, Camosun College is providing you with every possible protection to keep you safe. Our measures include COVID Training for students and employees, health checks, infection control protocols including sanitization of spaces, PPE and ensuring physical distancing. For details on these precautions please follow this link: <http://camosun.ca/covid19/faq/covid-faqs-students.html>. However, if you're at all uncomfortable being on campus, please share your concerns with your Instructor. If needed, alternatives will be discussed.

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

NAME: Ann Brix

EMAIL: brix@camosun.ca

OFFICE: CBA 135

HOURS: 12:30 – 1:00 (M, T, W, Th) or by appointment

As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Term Dates: Tuesday, September 5, 2023 – Friday, December 15, 2023

Day	Time	Place
Monday	8:30–12:20	CBA 126
Tuesday	8:30–12:20	CBA 126
Wednesday	8:30–12:20	CBA 126
Thursday	8:30–12:20	CBA 159 (Lab)

Your instructor will assign **four** hours of independent learning (asynchronous hours) each week. You must do the assigned tasks within each week. You can do this work when it is convenient for you, but you must complete the assigned work according to your instructor's instructions.

Course hours per week: 20 hours: 16 hours direct instruction (synchronous teaching) and 4 hours of independent learning (asynchronous learning). Your instructor will monitor your independent learning.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

- (a) American Headway Starter
- (b) American Headway Starter Workbook
- (c) Oxford Picture Dictionary (Third Canadian Edition) (*optional*)
- (d) A headset with a microphone
- (e) A binder with loose-leaf paper

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

In this integrated skills course, non-native English speakers are introduced to basic listening, speaking, reading and writing skills using limited vocabulary in familiar, non-demanding, well-supported contexts. Students can expect to progress from Canadian Language Benchmark 1 to 2. By the end of this course, students will be working at Canadian Language Benchmark 2.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

Listening

- Respond to a very small number of common key words and simple phrases and questions in very short, slow, strongly supported communication in non-demanding contexts.
 1. Understand greetings, introductions, good-byes, and courtesy phrases.
 2. Understand requests for repetition and clarification.
 3. Understand very short, simple instructions.
 4. Understand expressions to attract attention and ask for help.
 5. Understand obvious factual details in conversations and stories about highly familiar, concrete topics.

Speaking

- Orally communicate very basic information using a very small number of common, familiar words, phrases and sentences, usually in response to simple questions related to immediate needs in strongly supported, non-demanding contexts.
 1. Use and respond to greetings, introductions, good-byes, and courtesy phrases.
 2. Express problems with understanding and ask for repetition and clarification.
 3. Give brief, simple, common instructions.
 4. Make and respond to simple requests.
 5. Give and ask for basic personal information including likes, dislikes, ability, and inability.
 6. Talk about familiar situations.
 7. Describe very basic feelings, needs, wants, and plans.

Reading

- Recognize letters and numbers.
- Decode a small number of common words and phrases.
- Interpret the meaning of a small number of words, phrases and simple sentences in very short, simple, visually-supported texts in very clear, non-demanding contexts.
 1. Understand simple standard messages in very short emails and cards.
 2. Understand very short, simple, one-step instructions.
 3. Get information from very short, simple formatted texts (such as forms, maps, schedules, signs, labels, or receipts).
 4. Understand obvious factual details in very simple, short texts about highly familiar, concrete topics.

Writing

- Reproduce very short pieces of information.
 - Write basic information using a small number of familiar words and simple phrases and sentences related to immediate needs and very familiar experiences in non-demanding contexts.
1. Write simple standard messages in very short emails and cards and address envelopes.
 2. Copy short pieces of information from simple lists, identification documents, appointment cards, dictionaries, or very short passages.
 3. Complete very short, simple forms with basic personal identification information.
 4. Write simple sentences to complete short, guided texts or answer simple questions to describe familiar situations.

EVALUATION

To complete ELD 010, a student must get a mark of at least 75% (or S = Satisfactory) on the learning outcomes in each skill area. At the end of the term, the student will receive a grade based on the Competency Grading System below. This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes.

Grade	Description
COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf) policy for more information. <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf>

COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

WEEK or DATE RANGE	ACTIVITY or TOPIC	OTHER NOTES
Sept. 5 – Dec. 15, 2023	Classes: 8:30-12:20	Mon, Tue & Wed CBA 126 Thurs CBA 159
September 11	Course Add/Drop Deadline	
October 2	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (observed)	College closed
October 9	Thanksgiving Day	College closed
October 23-26	Midterm testing	See D2L for details
October 27/30	Midterm reports	See D2L for details
November 13	Remembrance Day (observed)	College closed

WEEK or DATE RANGE	ACTIVITY or TOPIC	OTHER NOTES
December 6-12	Final testing	See D2L for details
December 9	Last Day to Withdraw without Academic Penalty	
December 14-15	Final Reports	See D2L for details

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

Students are responsible for

- attending classes regularly (see “Attendance” below)
- speaking English in class
- participating in discussions and group activities
- doing assigned homework and in-class work
- contributing to a positive learning environment
- turning off cell phones
- going to the Help Centre for extra help

Attendance

Students are expected to attend class every day, participate in class discussions and group activities, complete assignments, and homework.

If you cannot come the day of a test because you are sick, you MUST phone or email the instructor before the class starts.

Makeup tests will only be considered with a valid excuse and with sufficient notification.

If a student does not attend classes and does not officially withdraw (via myCamosun or Student Services) prior to fee deadlines, he or she will be required to pay all outstanding fees, will receive no further service until the fees are paid and may receive an IP grade.

During the term, if a student misses one week of class without official documentation, s/he will meet first with the instructor to resolve the problem. If no resolution can be made, then the student will meet with the Chair of the department who may recommend the following:

- attend Help Centre
- counselling
- program changes
- withdrawal
- discussion with an academic or an International Student Advisor (where appropriate)

At the end of term, if a student has missed 50% of class after having received departmental support, a letter will be sent to the student’s local and permanent address regarding his or her absence in the course. A student with an attendance problem may not be allowed to register for the following term.

Students in any level who are receiving funding for their courses are expected to attend classes regularly. If the student is unable to attend classes, s/he is expected to contact his/her instructor(s) or an ELD instructional assistant. Official documentation is expected with an extended absence, e.g. a doctor’s note.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit <http://camosun.ca/students/>.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	http://camosun.ca/advising
Accessible Learning	http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning
Counselling	http://camosun.ca/counselling
Career Services	http://camosun.ca/coop
Financial Aid and Awards	http://camosun.ca/financialaid
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	http://camosun.ca/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	http://camosun.ca/indigenous
International Student Support	http://camosun.ca/international/
Learning Skills	http://camosun.ca/learningskills
Library	http://camosun.ca/services/library/
Office of Student Support	http://camosun.ca/oss
Ombudsperson	http://camosun.ca/ombuds
Registration	http://camosun.ca/registration
Technology Support	http://camosun.ca/its
Writing Centre	http://camosun.ca/writing-centre

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

The College is committed to providing appropriate and reasonable academic accommodations to students with disabilities (i.e. physical, depression, learning, etc). If you have a disability, the [Centre for Accessible Learning](#) (CAL) can help you document your needs, and where disability-related barriers to access in your courses exist, create an accommodation plan. By making a plan through CAL, you can ensure you have the appropriate academic accommodations you need without disclosing your diagnosis or condition to course instructors. Please visit the CAL website for contacts and to learn how to get started:

<http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/>

Academic Integrity

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.13.pdf> for policy regarding academic expectations and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

Academic Progress

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <http://camosun.ca/learn/fees/#deadlines>.

Grading Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

Mandatory Attendance for First Class Meeting of Each Course

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(<http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/procedures.html>) and the Grading Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf>.

Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal. Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.8.pdf> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun's Sexualized Violence and Misconduct Policy: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.9.pdf> and camosun.ca/sexual-violence. To contact the Office of Student Support: oss@camosun.ca or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-3703841

Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

Changes to this Syllabus: Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the changes.