COURSE SYLLABUS





Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lak^wəŋən and WSÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here. Learn more about Camosun's Territorial Acknowledgement.

For COVID-19 information please visit https://legacy.camosun.ca/covid19/index.html.

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

NAME:	Karen Lightbody	
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HOURS:	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.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

Students in this course will be provided practice and instruction in critical reading and be able to demonstrate creative and critical thinking. Students will practice and receive instruction in the planning, writing, and revising of paragraphs and essays, so as to prepare them for college writing. Students will also learn to gather, evaluate, synthesize, and organize information into a research paper as well as deliver a research-based oral presentation. This course prepares students for post-secondary academic English courses.

Note: English 092 combined with English 094 is equivalent to Provincial English 12.

PREREQUISITE(S): One of: C in English 11, C in ENGL 070

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course a student will be able to:

- A. Critical and Creative Thinking
 - evaluate argument for validity, reliability, currency, and objectivity
 - recognize elements of clear communication
 - demonstrate organizational thought processes to solve problems
 - demonstrate an awareness of how communication formats influence language choices and usage
 - record, organize and store information read, heard or viewed
 - support a position by citing specific details from what has been read, heard or viewed

- explore diverse perspectives to develop or modify one's point of view
- assess one's own knowledge and use of language
- assess information for completeness, accuracy, currency, relevance, balance or perspectives and bias
- analyze different presentations of the same information to reconsider positions
- assess ways in which language reflects and influences values and behaviour
- B. Reading and Reference
 - evaluate the effectiveness of one's own and others' written material using criteria that include the following: plain language; coherence and organization; consistency in the application of usage conventions; relevance to argument of supporting evidence and examples; appropriateness to intended purpose and audience; attention to detail
 - summarize, make inferences, draw conclusions and critically evaluate
 - paraphrase main ideas in written material
 - distinguish between implicit and explicit messages
 - apply prior knowledge and experience to assist understanding of new material
 - use a variety of strategies and sources to gather and evaluate information, including print sources, library resources and the Internet
 - interpret details and draw conclusions from information presented in a variety of print and graphic formats, including electronic formats
- C. Written Communication
 - plan and write a variety of types of paragraphs and essays
 - edit own work fully for coherence and accuracy
 - monitor spelling, grammar, mechanics and syntax using appropriate techniques and resources as required, including electronic technology
 - write effectively, adjusting for audience, purpose and situation to inform, persuade, and interact in formal and informal situations
 - organize information and ideas to clarify thinking and achieve desired effect
 - understand and avoid plagiarism
 - produce writing on demand (e.g. essays, exams)
 - gather, evaluate, synthesize, and organize information into a research paper of approximately 1500 words using an appropriate documentation style (e.g. APA, MLA or Chicago)
- D. Speaking and Listening Skills
 - interact effectively in formal or informal situations
 - adjust speaking style to suit audience, purpose and situation
 - give and respond to feedback during oral presentations
 - use effective presentation aids to enhance communications
 - deliver a research-based oral presentation to inform or persuade and respond effectively to feedback
 - demonstrate a critical understanding of arguments

This course meets the required learning outcomes for Provincial English as outlined in the BC ABE Articulation Handbook.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

1. The Canadian Writer's World: Paragraphs and Essays (3rd Ed.) by Gaetz, Phadke, Sandberg, and Sauer

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

This class is expected to be a combination of online, blended and in-person instruction. In person drop in class: Wednesday or Thursday 12:30-3:30pm; in person office appointment: Wednesday 9:00-12:00pm or by video chat/phone appointment arranged with instructor. Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced noticed is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the <u>CAL exams page</u>. <u>http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html</u> Students will be assigned a variety of work to help them achieve the learning outcomes for the course. Grades will be assigned according to this chart.

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
Paragraphs (2 - illustration and argument)	10%
Reading assignments (3)	
Grammar quiz	10%
Summary assignments (2)	10%
Essay (compare/contrast, cause/effect or argument)	20%
Research-Essay including proposal (2.5%), bibliography (2.5%) and oral presentation (5%)	25%
In-class final essay	20%
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 policy for more information.	100%

http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECATIONS

This is a self-paced course. Students have the flexibility to follow an individually-adaptable timeline to complete the learning outcomes and assignments. The course is a combination of 3 online, blended and/or inperson hours per week with an expectation of studying another 2 hours per week. Students have a responsibility to work hard, attend class and/or meetings, and ask for support when needed.

SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Community Learning Partnerships (CLP), a department of the School of Access, brings education to community-based sites to make it easier for students to begin or return to learning in a less intimidating place than on the college campus. Students can build or refresh their skills to meet admission requirements and be successful in other college programs. Students learn in a comfortable environment with other adults who share similar backgrounds and get help from friendly and compassionate Camosun instructors and staff. Community Learning Partnerships department: <u>http://camosun.ca/learn/school/access/community-partnerships/index.html</u>.

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.

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 <u>http://camosun.ca/students/</u>.

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.

COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

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

Academic Progress

Please visit <u>http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf</u> 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 <u>http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.2.pdf</u> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <u>http://camosun.ca/learn/fees/#deadlines</u>.

Grading Policy

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

Grade Review and Appeals

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

Mandatory Attendance for First Class Meeting of Each Course

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

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: <u>oss@camosun.ca</u> 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.