



# CAMOSUN COLLEGE

School of Access  
Community Learning Partnerships Department  
ENGL 033: Fundamental English  
COURSE OUTLINE

## Instructor Information

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## 1. Intended Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to

- demonstrate skills and strategies that promote learning: working independently and collaboratively, managing in-class time, accessing the Help Centre, using the library, and taking tests.
- read from a variety of materials: auto/ biographies, newspaper and magazine articles, and works of literature: short story, play, poem, and novel.
- read for comprehension (literal and inferential understanding) and enjoyment; summarize, interpret, evaluate, skim and scan reading material; retrieve information for personal, study and research purposes.
- demonstrate reading comprehension to the grade 10 level.
- use various skills and strategies to build vocabulary and will be able to understand vocabulary in context to approximately the grade 10 level.
- collect and organize ideas using pre-writing strategies to write descriptive, narrative, and expository paragraphs, a business letter, and multi-paragraph compositions.
- demonstrate correct usage of basic grammar and punctuation.

## 3. Required & Recommended Materials

- Student or instructor selected reading materials and works of literature
- *Breakthroughs in Critical Reading &/or Structured Reading*, Parts 1-3
- *Essential Reading Skills, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*
- Resources to develop specific reading skills (from the Help Centre)
- *Thinking and Writing: A Guide to Paragraphs and Essays* by Ray Bigauskas
- A dictionary and a thesaurus

## 4. Course Content

A focus on reading, discussion and writing develops students' vocabulary and comprehension, and promotes the enjoyment of reading.

## 5. Basis of Student Assessment

Students will build a portfolio of their work to be used as an evaluative tool in the assessment of their progress in the course.

Portfolio Activity	#	Description
Write about yourself	1	You might choose to share information about yourself that will prove helpful in your new learning.
Reading log	10 entries	Record daily reading selections with comments.
Newspaper & Magazine Articles	2 - 6	Read & respond in writing to newspaper & magazine articles.
Literature	2 - 4	Read & share your written responses to works of literature.
Auto/Biographies	1 - 2	Read & respond in writing &/or discussion to

		autobiographies and biographies.
Paragraphs	4	Write different styles of paragraphs: descriptive, narrative & expository.
Letter	1	Write a business letter.
Specific reading skill development	As needed	Work with <i>Essential Reading Skills</i> . Discuss this assignment with your instructor.
Standardized test(s)	1 or more	A grade level of 10.0 in vocabulary and comprehension is desired.

## 6. Competency-based Grading System

COM The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

DST The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, 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.

Students with a record of poor attendance, OR poor progress may be restricted from re-registering in Community Learning Partnerships Department courses.

## 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

### LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Registrar's Office or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

### STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

[www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-5.html](http://www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-5.html)

### STUDENT GRADING POLICY

A new student grading policy is in effect for students in the School of Access. This information is available in the College Calendar, Registrar's Office or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/Education-Academic/E-1-Programming-&-Instruction/E-1.5.pdf>

### ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY

There is an Academic Progress Policy designed to enhance a learner's likelihood of success. Students should become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

<http://camosun.bc.ca/policies/Education-Academic/E-1-Programming-&-Instruction/E-1.1.pdf>