

School of Access Academic and Career Foundations Department

English 050-S02

Course Outline

Fall 2012

The Approved Course Description is available on the College website http://www.camosun.ca/learn/calendar/index.html

1. Instructor Information

Graham Haig Office Location: CBA146 Office Hours: T Th 12:20 – 3:20; M W 3:20 - 4:20; Fr. 1:00-3:00

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

- 1. Critical and Creative Thinking Students will be able to
 - summarize and paraphrase written and verbal resources
 - make inferences; distinguish fact from opinion
 - create, identify, and modify solutions
 - establish viable schedule of work, classes, and study time
- 2. Reading, Research, and Reference Students will be able to
 - identify bias, tone, purpose, audience, and point of view
 - identify subject/topic, main and supporting ideas, and logical structure
 - use skimming and scanning techniques
 - use context clues and word structure analysis to identify meaning
 - use dictionary, thesaurus, and other resources to build vocabulary
 - use resources: library, encyclopedia, manuals, CD-ROMS, Internet
- 3. Written Communication

Students will be able to

- brainstorm ideas; narrow the topic
- create paragraphs, essays, (research and expository), summaries, resumes, business letters
- revise and edit work to improve word choice, sentence and paragraph structure, spelling, punctuation, and grammar
- produce writing on demand: paragraphs and essays
- 4. Speaking and Listening Skills

Students will be able to

- participate in conversations and group discussions
- provide oral feedback: peer editing, group discussions
- recall and interpret information
- 3. Materials Books available to loan or for in-class use, numbers are limited
 - Bigauskas, R. Thinking and Writing: A Guide to Paragraphs and Essays
 - Langan, J & Goldstein J. English Brushup

- Troyka, L.Q., Thweatt, J.W. <u>Structured Reading</u> (6th or 7th ed.) Dictionary and Thesaurus

4. Course Content and Schedule:

Students in ENGL 050 will draft, revise, and edit their writing. Instructors will coach students to help them improve their writing.

5. Basis of Student Assessment

Category	Assignment	% of Grade	Description	
Paragraphs	2 – 4 practice @150 words plus one exit paragraph	10	Practice with a variety of writing patterns Exit paragraph is written independently	
Grammar	Written work	10	Practice based on student needs	
Expository Essays	2 @ 500 words	30	Practice with essay development	
Business Writing	2	5	Production of a letter and resume.	
Critical Reading	10 selections	10	Work from Structured Reading	
Summary Writing	1 @ 250 words	5	From selected readings	
Research Essay	1 @ 500 words	15	Incorporation of outside sources	
Exit Essay (Timed)	1 @ 500 words	15	Produce a successful essay	

Students with a record of poor attendance OR poor progress may be restricted from reregistering in Academic and Career Foundations Department courses.

6. Grading System

A+	90 – 100%	B+	77 – 79%	C+	65 – 69%
Α	85 - 89%	В	73 – 76%	С	60 – 64%
A –	80 - 84%	B-	70 – 72%	D*	50 – 59%
				F	0 – 49%

^{*}Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a 'D' grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.

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

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.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-&-instruction/e-1.1.pdf

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://camosun.ca/services/

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://camosun.bc.ca/policies/Education-Academic/E-1-Programming-&-Instruction/E-1.5.pdf

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.

http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-&-support/e-2.5.1.pdf