



**School of Access
Department of English**

**English 094-001: Provincial English Composition
Winter 2016**

This course provides practice and instruction in the study of literature including short stories, drama, poetry and the novel. English 094 (or ELD 094) combined with English 092 (or ELD 092) is equivalent to Provincial English 12.

Instructor Information

Instructor: Sarah French, MA, M.Ed.

Class Dates: 29 February 2016 – 16 April 2016

Class Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10-11:20 a.m.

Class Location: Fisher 212

Office location: Paul 331 with availability as follows:

- In office on Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00-9:45 and 11:30-12:45
- By appointment in person or via Skype/FaceTime
- By e-mail anytime at FrenchS@camosun.bc.ca
- By phone at 370-3356

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will have demonstrated proficiency in the following areas:

1. Critical and Creative Thinking. Students will

- a) Identify tone, including irony and understatement, in poetry, fiction, and drama
- b) Identify the connections between genre, theme, and style in literary works

2. Reading. Students will

- a) Respond to themes and ideas of literary works
- b) Connect the concerns and themes of a literary work to larger contexts, such as style, literary influences, and personal and historical background
- c) Use literary terms associated with different genres

3. Written Communication. Students will

- a) Plan and write paragraphs and essays

- b) Integrate quotations from literary works into a literary analysis and document them according to MLA conventions
- c) Edit written work for content, structure, grammar, punctuation, and usage
- d) Choose words appropriate to style and audience
- e) Use transitions to connect main and supporting points
- f) Vary sentences
- g) Connect literary devices and techniques to themes

4. Speaking and Listening Skills. Students will

- a) Speak, adjusting for audience, purpose, and situation, to inform, persuade, and interact in formal and informal situations
- b) Give and respond to feedback during oral presentations
- c) Collaborate and consult with others in completing communications tasks
- d) Explain the value and limitations of collaborative work

Required Textbook, Resources, and Supplies

Please have the following with you in every class:

- 1. *Literature: Reading, Reacting, Writing* by Kirszner, Mandell and Fertile (available in the bookstore)
- 2. *On Writing: A Memoir of the Craft* by Stephen King (available in the bookstore)

You will also need access to a computer since all out-of-class assignments must be typed (double-spaced, standard font, 12 point type, one inch margins, MLA-style documentation). Please plan to keep a back up of your submitted work.

Paper and pen will also be needed in every class for writing activities (in addition to a computer if you prefer to type).

Assignments and Evaluation

Your final grade will be calculated from the following areas:

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| 1. Homework and classroom participation | 40% |
| 2. Assignments | 50% |
| • Author exposé (5%) | |
| • Essay based on short story unit (10%) | |
| • Lyric/poetry analysis and presentation (15%) | |
| • Essay based on novel unit (10%) | |
| • Essay based on the drama unit (10%) | |
| 3. In-class quiz x 2 | 10% |

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Total 100%

Responsibilities

My responsibilities are to have prepared relevant and meaningful content that fulfills Camosun College's learning outcomes for this course, be available to answer your questions or offer further guidance, and provide detailed and timely feedback that justifies your scores and allows you to grow as an effective communicator.

Your responsibilities are to be on time and in full attendance for all classes, be prepared to participate in learning activities, meet due dates, and be aware of and adhere to Camosun College's policies and procedures (i.e. computer usage, copyright, plagiarism policies).

Your presence and preparation are required to succeed in this this course:

- Assigned homework is always due at the start of the next class. You will not get credit for homework due in the class that you missed unless you have a signed medical excuse or have talked with me ahead of time about an absence. It is your responsibility to catch up on any missed work.
- Unexcused late assignments (not homework, but typed and submitted assignments) will be accepted but at a 20% penalty per day (not class).

Be sure to ask for help when needed. I have office hours, and I'm more than happy to meet outside of those via Skype/FaceTime or respond to questions over e-mail.

Grading System

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a D grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

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 Administrative Office, Registrar's Office, 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: <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

Academic Conduct Policy

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Related is the topic of **plagiarism**. Plagiarism is presenting the words or ideas of others as your own. Plagiarism is a serious academic offence – a form of cheating. All sources of ideas and information not primarily your own must be appropriately documented according to MLA guidelines. A first offense will result in a required rewrite and 20% deduction. A second offense will result in a grade of 0 with no rewrite. Anything beyond that will mean failing the course (regardless of current grade) and referral to school Dean. Please see Student Conduct Policy and check out this interactive video: <http://camosun.ca/services/library/plagiarism/>