

ELD 097: Self-Paced Course Spring/Summer 2018

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Classroom: Mon., Tue., Thur., Interurban Campus CBA 160 3:00 – 5:30pm

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Required text: Ten Steps to Advanced Reading 2e by John Langan Townsend Press

Course Dates: May.07.2018 - Aug.17.2018

No classes: May.21, Victoria Day; Monday, July. 2 Canada Day; Monday, Aug.6 BC Day

Course Description:

This course is designed for non-native speakers of English and provides the necessary language skills and cultural competence to prepare learners to work and/or undertake further study in Canada. Using real-world examples and sample documents, learners develop communication competencies through writing general workplace correspondence and reports, with a focus on the writing process and clear writing techniques. The vocabulary and grammar skills required to write effectively and accurately are reviewed through self-study exercises. In addition, because today's workplace is increasingly electronic, learners use computers extensively to communicate by e-mail, and conduct research. Successful completion of the course gives learners the prerequisite to enter English 151 and/or other college courses and is the equivalent to Grade 12 English.

Evaluation:

Grades:

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

Camosun grading policy is at:

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

Completion Requirements:

Students must reach an adequate level of competency (60%) in the course.

Academic Honesty:

All assignments must be written entirely by you. Plagiarism, i.e. copying the work of a classmate, Internet resources or copyrighted materials, is considered dishonest use of another's ideas.

Plagiarized work will result in a zero grade for the assignment. In extreme cases, plagiarism will result in a failing grade for the course. This policy is in accordance with the Camosun College Calendar – Student Conduct section.

Computer Experience required for this course.

This course assumes a minimum level of proficiency skills. The following is a list of skills that you should be comfortable with to be successful in this course.

- Basic keyboard and mouse proficiency
- Word-processing (typing, cutting, copying and pasting)
- Working with files (opening, saving and 'saving as")
- e-mail (sending, receiving, replying, forwarding and attaching files)
- Internet/WWW (navigating the internet and understanding how it works)

Intended Learning Outcomes

At the successful completion of this course, students will be able to do the following:

- 1. Apply the knowledge, skills, and processes needed to communicate by listening, speaking, reading, writing, and viewing.
- 2. Write paragraphs, essays, summaries, and short reports that demonstrate knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of language and how it is used.
- 3. Write using a process approach.
- 4. Prepare and present a variety of technical and professional communications and documentation that occur in the workplace.
- 5. Apply the appropriate formats associated with each writing/communication task.
- 6. Determine the most appropriate means (written, oral, and visual) to transfer information.
- 7. Write short business reports that employ basic practical technical and professional communication principles.
- 8. Write a research report using a variety of research methods to collect data.
- 9. Analyze the informational needs and backgrounds of various audiences and construct written assignments appropriate to the intended audience.
- 10. Identify writing errors using a peer editing process.
- 11. Explain the value and limitations of collaborative work.
- 12. Collaborate and consult effectively with others in completing communications tasks.
- 13. Apply etiquette conventions to technical and professional communicative situations

Business Writing Component

Assessment & Evaluation

Total	80%
Unit 4 Assignments	25%
Unit 3 Assignments	25%
Unit 2 Assignments	15%
Unit 1 Assignments	15%

Reading Component

Diagnostic Test Chapters 1 – 5	15%
Midterm Exam	35%
Diagnostic Test Chapters 6 - 10	15%
Final Reading Exam	35%
	100%

^{*}Your final reading score will comprise 20% of your final grade for ELD 097.

TOTAL 100%

Please note that self-paced courses are consistently revised. If you do not complete a course and wish to carry your assignment marks forward to a new term, you must enrol in the next consecutive term.