

Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lkwungen and W̱SÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here.



“All that we are is story...It is what we arrive with. It is all we leave behind.”  
– Richard Wagamese, *Embers: One Ojibway's Meditations*

## School of Access: Academic and Career Foundations Department

### ENGL 050: *Intermediate English* Fall 2020 Course Outline

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

#### 1. Instructor and Course Information

**Instructor:** Mice Albano  
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**Office Hours:** by appointment

**Class Hours:** 6 hours instruction per week, plus 4 hours in the Help Centre online

**Course location and times:** September 8<sup>th</sup> to December 13<sup>th</sup>  
**Classroom:** CBA 101 and online (**Blended**)  
**Tuesday and Thursdays** 12:30 am - 3:20 pm (*classroom time to be determined*)

#### Important Note about this Course Outline:

On the following pages, the course is explained in detail. Assignments, marking, and the method of determining final grades are covered. If any part of this outline is not understood, or if you have any questions, please ask the instructor for clarification. The instructor will abide by the course outline and students are expected to read and understand its contents.

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#### 2. Course Description:

The Intermediate English course concentrates on the development of critical thinking, reading, formal writing skills, and introductory literature analysis. Students will practice organizing, writing, and revising paragraphs, essays, and business documents. Reading assignments help develop grammar, punctuation, and composition skills while improving reading, reading comprehension, vocabulary, and study skills.

### 3. Pre-requisites

English 033 or Assessment

### 4. Course Type

All our classes are **Self Paced**: Students complete the course outcomes at a pace that best suits their lifestyle. This means:

1. We will start the class with a group lesson that will help students reach the course outcomes.
2. Students are working at different parts of many different courses, all at the same time,
3. Instructors will connect with students often and see how they are doing. Also, students ask for help when they need it. Students use the Help Centre to support their learning.
4. Students have the responsibility to attend class every day, work hard, and ask for support when needed.

Instructors meet each student in the first class or two, and over time, they learn how best to support student's learning.

### 5. Intended Learning Outcomes

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

#### **Critical and Creative Thinking**

- 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

#### **Reading, Research, and Reference**

- 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

#### **Written Communication**

- brainstorm ideas; narrow the topic
- create paragraphs, essays, (research & expository), summaries, resumes, business letters
- revise and edit work to improve word choice, sentence and paragraph structure, spelling, punctuation, and grammar

#### **Speaking and Listening Skills**

- participate in conversations and group discussions
- provide oral feedback: peer editing, group discussions
- recall and interpret information

## 6. Required and Recommended Materials

- Langan, John. The Reading and Writing Connection
- Dictionary and Thesaurus
- Loose leaf paper ( a notebook is provided for Free writing exercises)
- 3 ring binder
- USB to store your writing

## 7. Basis of Student Assessment

Category	Assignment	% of Grade	Description
Paragraphs	2 - 4 practice @150 words	20	Practice with a variety of writing patterns
	plus one exit paragraph	10	Exit paragraph is written independently
Grammar	Written work/tests	10	Practice based on student needs
Business Writing	1	5	Produce a letter
Critical Reading	10 units +selections	40	Work from <i>Reading &amp; Writing Connections</i>
Summary Writing	1 @ 250 words	15	From selected readings

## 8. Grading System

A+	90 - 100%	B+	77 - 79%	C+	65 - 69%		
A	85 - 89%	B	73 - 76%	C	60 - 64%		
A-	80 - 84%	B-	70 - 72%	D*	50 - 59%	IP **	Less than 50%

*\*Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a 'D' grade cannot be used as a prerequisite. \*\* In progress*

## 9. Learning Support and Services to Promote Student Success

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ACADEMIC UPGRADING HELP CENTRE (CBA 109)</b> Coursework support, reference and support materials, printer, quiet testing and study areas</p>
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Aboriginal Services (Education, Financial & Cultural),

Academic Advising  
Assessment Testing

AudioVisual Services & Equipment  
Bookstore  
Cafeterias & Restaurants  
Camosun College Student Society  
Career Resource Centre  
Center for Accessible Learning  
Child Care  
Computer Labs  
Counselling (Career, Educational, Personal & Cultural)  
Dental Clinic  
Financial Aid & Awards  
First Nations Student Association  
Fitness & Recreation  
  
Help Centres (tutoring in English, ESL, Math)

Housing Registry Online  
Library  
Lockers  
Medical Coverage & Accident Insurance  
Nexus Student Newspaper  
Ombudsman  
Personal Safety  
Photocopying & Printshop  
Sexual Health Clinic  
Student Clubs  
Student Navigators  
Student Employment Services  
Student ID/Library Cards/U-Pass Student Bus Pass  
Wireless networking  
Women's Centres

Camosun services are here to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. Our goal is to provide you with the best learning experience possible. This information is available in the Registrar's Office or the College web site at: <http://camosun.ca/services/>

## 10. College Policies

### STUDENT CONDUCT

The purpose of this policy is to provide clear expectations of appropriate academic and non-academic student conduct and to establish processes for resolution of conduct issues or the imposition of sanctions for inappropriate conduct.

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

### STUDENT GRADING POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that grading and promotion are consistent and fair.

<http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-&-instruction/e-1.5.pdf>

### ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to enhance a learner's likelihood of success and to encourage the learner to use College resources effectively.

<http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-&-instruction/e-1.1.pdf>