

# **CAMOSUN COLLEGE** School of Access ELD Department

# ELD 075-D02 Grammar for Composition Fall 2020

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

# **Course Description:**

This course focuses on grammar for college level writing. Offered in a workshop format, it will help non-native English speakers to express analytical and critical thought in clear, grammatical sentences. Written and oral assignments will build and reinforce students' ability to write grammatical prose.

 $\Omega$  Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. It is recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.

# 1. Instructor Information

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Office Hours: On line, as arranged with instructor

# 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Demonstrate an understanding of the form and function of English grammatical structures:

- (a) Use self-monitoring to identify and correct errors in the revision process.
- (b) Demonstrate accurate use of grammatical rules with minimal assistance from texts or teachers.

# 3. Required Materials

All materials will be available on line. Access to a computer and reliable Internet service will be needed in order to access the course and take part in the synchronous sessions.

### 4. Course Content and Schedule

### How to Benefit from ELD 075

There are two steps to mastering the grammar of English or any other language. The first step is to understand the grammar and grammatical rules of the language; the second step is to apply those rules to your use of the language. Consequently, students in this course will do two things: they will study the rules of English grammar and then apply those rules to their own writing.

Experience has shown us that your success in this course depends primarily on the effort you make. If you do all the assignments, attend all or most of the classes, and actively participate in class activities, it is very likely that you will do well in this course. Moreover, you will not only gain personal satisfaction and enjoyment from your accomplishment, but also develop much greater confidence in your ability to write grammatically correct English compositions.

Attendance is vitally important for successful completion of this course. While the current situation means that this is an on-line class, we will still be meeting by video conferencing so that you can get live explanations, ask questions, and do practice exercises with your classmates. If you need to miss an on-line class, please inform the instructor beforehand.

# Fall 2020 Tentative Schedule

Week 1: Sept 16: Course Introduction, Grammar Assessment, Parts of Speech
Week 2: Sept 21-23: Parts of Speech, Verb tenses
Week 3: Sept 28-30: Verb tenses, modals, question formation
Week 4: Oct 5-7: Conditionals, active-passive voice, verb quiz
Week 5: Oct 14 (Oct. 12 = Thanksgiving): Clauses and phrases, sentence basics
Week 6: Oct 19-21: Sentence types, building sentences, sentence fragments/run-ons
Week 7: Oct 26-28: Relative clauses, subject-verb agreement, pronouns, sentence quiz
Week 8: Nov 2-4: Parallelism, word forms, gerunds and infinitives, articles
Week 9: Nov 9 (Nov. 11 = Remembrance Day): Comparatives and superlatives, modifiers
Week 10: Nov 16-18: Avoiding tense and pronoun shifts, indirect speech and quotations
Week 11: Nov 23-25: Common problems, review, and final quiz

### 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

### Evaluation –

Major: Major quizzes (week 4, week 7 & week 11): 50%Minor: Minor quizzes, homework, and in-class work: 50%

#### 6. Grading: CAMOSUN GRADING SYSTEMS <u>http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.php</u>

The standard grading system will be used for ELD 075 except in exceptional circumstances, when temporary grades may be used.

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	А		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

# A. Standard Grading System (GPA)

### B. Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy at <a href="http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/E-1.5.pdf">http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/E-1.5.pdf</a> for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete</i> : A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress</i> : A temporary grade assigned for courses that are designed to have an anticipated enrollment that extends beyond one term. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course.
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal</i> : A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

#### 7. College Supports, Services and Policies



### Immediate, Urgent, or Emergency Support

If you or someone you know requires immediate, urgent, or emergency support (e.g. illness, injury, thoughts of suicide, sexual assault, etc.), **SEEK HELP**. Resource contacts @ <a href="http://camosun.ca/about/mental-health/emergency.html">http://camosun.ca/about/mental-health/emergency.html</a> or <a href="http://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence/get-support.html#urgent">http://camosun.ca/about/mental-health/emergency.html</a> or <a href="http://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence/get-support.html#urgent">http://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence/get-support.html</a>

**College Services** 

Camosun offers a variety of health and academic support services, including counselling, dental, disability resource centre, help centre, learning skills, sexual violence support & education, library, and writing centre. For more information on each of these services, visit the **STUDENT SERVICES** link on the College website at <u>http://camosun.ca/</u>

#### **College Policies**

Camosun strives to provide clear, transparent, and easily accessible policies that exemplify the college's commitment to life-changing learning. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of College policies. Policies are available on the College website at <a href="http://camosun.ca/about/policies/">http://camosun.ca/about/policies/</a>. Education and academic policies include, but are not limited to, Academic Progress, Admission, Course Withdrawals, Standards for Awarding Credentials, Involuntary Health and Safety Leave of Absence, Prior Learning Assessment, Medical/Compassionate Withdrawal, Sexual Violence and Misconduct, Student Ancillary Fees, Student Appeals, Student Conduct, and Student Penalties and Fines.

\*\*If you have questions about anything that appears on this course plan, please ask your instructor for further information.