

# COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE:	<b>Advanced English</b>
CLASS SECTION:	<b>ELD 072-D01</b>
TERM:	Summer 2021 (May 3 – August 13)
COURSE CREDITS:	Five (5) credits
DELIVERY METHOD(S):	Online scheduled classes (in D2L Collaborate)
CLASS TIMES:	Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 8:30 – 9:20 am; 9:30 – 10:50 am

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Learn more about Camosun's [Territorial Acknowledgement](#).

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented many challenges, and Camosun College is committed to helping you safely complete your education. Following guidelines from the Provincial Health Officer, WorkSafe BC, and the B.C. Government to ensure the health and wellbeing of students and employees, Camosun College is providing you with every possible protection to keep you safe. Our measures include COVID Training for students and employees, health checks, infection control protocols including sanitization of spaces, PPE and ensuring physical distancing. For details on these precautions please follow this link: <http://camosun.ca/covid19/faq/covid-faqs-students.html>.

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## INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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NAME: **Sandra Christensen**  
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OFFICE: Ewing 316 & off-campus / virtual meetings only (D2L Collaborate or Zoom)  
HOURS: Private consultations available after class on Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays

*As your course instructor, I endeavour to provide an inclusive learning environment. However, if you experience barriers to learning in this course, do not hesitate to discuss them with me. Camosun College is committed to identifying and removing institutional and social barriers that prevent access and impede success.*

## CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

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This course, designed for non-native speakers of English, focuses on reading strategies and on the writing process. It is designed to prepare the student for further academic study. The course provides instruction and practice in the fundamentals of reading comprehension and academic writing.

**PREREQUISITE(S):** COM in ELD 062; C+ in English 11

**CO-REQUISITE(S):** COM in ELD 064; C in ELD 074

**EXCLUSION(S):**

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

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

### 1. Writing and Organization

- a. Plan, write, and revise simple paragraphs and essays using accurate vocabulary.
- b. Choose topics that go beyond personal experience and reflect general world knowledge.
- c. Write descriptive narrative, and expository prose.
- d. Present logical and unified thought in paragraphs and essays.
- e. Demonstrate an ability to link ideas.
- f. Locate, access, and select appropriate information from a variety of sources.
- g. Acknowledge sources of information.

### 2. Grammar and Mechanics:

- a. Identify and use accurate grammar and sentence structure.
- b. Use correct spelling and punctuation.

### 3. Read and Comprehend selected texts.

- a. Find and use information and ideas from a variety of texts.
- b. Identify the main points and supporting details in assigned texts.
- c. Compare and contrast specific aspects of assigned texts.
- d. Comprehend assignments and exam questions.
- e. Prepare simple summaries and paraphrases from written sources.
- f. Use beginning strategies to cope with the amount and variety of new vocabulary presented in college and university level courses.

### 4. Understand and function within the culture of a Canadian post-secondary classroom.

- a. Prepare and present an organized oral presentation relevant to purpose and audience using appropriate audiovisual supports.
- b. Demonstrate respect for learner colleagues, including those from differing cultural and linguistic backgrounds.
- c. Collaborate with others in group tasks and discussions.
- d. Abide by the concept of academic honesty.
- e. Perform basic word processing and formatting.

## REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

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- *Ten Steps to Advancing College Reading Skills, 6e*, by John Langan—with ONLINE access
- *The Giver*, a novel by Lois Lowry (any edition)
- Regular access to the internet, and a computer with video/audio capabilities
- Office 365 Pro Plus installed on computer, which includes 1 TB storage on One Drive;  
\*FREE version for students available at: <http://camosun.ca/services/its/other-services.html>

## COURSE SCHEDULE, TOPICS, AND ASSOCIATED PREPARATION / ACTIVITY / EVALUATION

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The following schedule and course components are subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

WEEK or DATE RANGE	ACTIVITY or TOPIC	TEXTBOOK
Week 1, May 3-7	Course introduction: Reading, writing, grammar, research skills; introduction to the novel	ORDER textbook
Week 2, May 10-14	Unit 1 Writing paragraphs / grammar / paraphrasing Novel study: chapters 1 & 2, activities, quiz	Introduction to the textbook
Week 3, May 17-21	Unit 1 Writing Assignment / Unit 2 Introduction Summary Assignment 1 (paraphrasing) Novel study: chapters 3-5, activities, quiz	Chapter 1 practice & test

WEEK or DATE RANGE	ACTIVITY or TOPIC	TEXTBOOK
Week 4, May 24-28	Unit 2 Writing essay outlines / grammar / summarizing Novel study: chapters 6-9, activities, quiz	Chapter 2 practice & test
Week 5, May 31-Jun 4	Unit 2 Writing essays / grammar / summarizing Grammar Assignment 1 Novel study: chapters 10-12, activities, quiz	Chapter 3 practice & test
Week 6, June 7-11	Unit 2 Writing Assignment / Unit 3 Introduction Summary Assignment 2 Novel study: chapters 13-16, activities, quiz	Chapter 4 practice & test
Week 7, June 14-18	Unit 3 Writing essays / grammar Introduction to research skills Novel study: midterm break (review)	MIDTERM
Week 8, June 21-25	Unit 3 Writing essays / grammar Unit 3 Assignments Novel study: chapters 17-19, activities, quiz	Chapter 5 practice & test
Week 9, June 28-July 2	Unit 4 Introduction / grammar Library research skills workshop (TBD) Novel study: chapters 20-23, activities, quiz	Chapter 6 practice & test
Week 10, July 5-9	Unit 4 Writing / grammar / research skills Novel study: review & discussion	Chapter 7 practice & test
Week 11, July 12-16	Unit 4 Writing / grammar / research skills Summary Assignment 3 Novel study: final exam	Chapter 8 practice & test
Week 12, July 19-23	Unit 4 Writing and research assignment Grammar Assignment 2	Chapter 9 practice & test
Week 13, July 26-30	Unit 4 Writing and research assignment Novel study: group presentations	Chapter 10 practice & test
Week 14, Aug 2-6	Unit 4 Final research essay & presentations due	FINAL
Week 15, Aug 9-13	Final grades, consultation with instructor, next steps	

Students registered with the Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL) who complete quizzes, tests, and exams with academic accommodations have booking procedures and deadlines with CAL where advanced notice is required. Deadlines can be reviewed on the [CAL exams page](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html). <http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html>

## COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

### Time Commitment:

On average, it will take **20-30 hours per week** to complete all course work, including class time, independent learning, studying, testing, assignments, and meetings with support staff (i.e. Writing Center).

### Assignments:

As per health guidelines during the pandemic, you will participate in scheduled (online) class times from home. Self-guided reading tests will be done online through the publisher's website (instructions to be provided). Assignments for writing, novel study, grammar, and summarizing need to be uploaded directly into the Assignments folder in D2L (Camosun's online learning management system). It is your responsibility to complete all assignments by the assigned due dates. If for some valid reason you have difficulty meeting the deadlines, you must discuss this with your instructor before the due date.

### Computer experience required for this course:

In this course, we make extensive use of Camosun’s learning management system (D2L). The following is a list of skills that you should be comfortable with to be successful in this course:

- Using online video conferencing software to meet with your instructor
- Emails (communicating with your instructor about your progress)
- D2L (accessing assignments, uploading files, receiving and responding to feedback)
- Internet/WWW (navigating the internet and understanding how it works)
- Word-processing (typing, cutting, copying and pasting)
- Working with files (opening, saving and “saving as”)

### EVALUATION OF LEARNING

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Note: You need at least 60% in BOTH reading AND writing to PASS the course.

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHTING
Reading (textbook) – chapter tests	20%
Novel: discussions, activities, group project & final test	15%
Summarizing & library research assignments	15%
Grammar Assignments 1 & 2	10%
Writing Assignment 1 (paragraph)	5%
Writing Assignment 2 (Five paragraph essay)	10%
Writing Assignment 3 (Cause/ effect essay)	10%
Writing Assignment 4 (Argumentative research essay)	15%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

If you have a concern about a grade you have received for an evaluation, please come and see me as soon as possible. Refer to the [Grade Review and Appeals](http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf) policy for more information.  
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### SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

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Additional resources and support will be available online, as listed below. Directly related to this course, you will be encouraged to make use of the English Help Center—accessed through the Writing Center link—and the Library.

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

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Enrolment at Camosun assumes that the student will become a responsible member of the College community. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, assist in the preservation of College property, and assume responsibility for their education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

## SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

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Camosun College offers a number of services to help you succeed in and out of the classroom. For a detailed overview of the supports and services visit <http://camosun.ca/students/>.

Support Service	Website
Academic Advising	<a href="http://camosun.ca/advising">http://camosun.ca/advising</a>
Accessible Learning	<a href="http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning">http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning</a>
Counselling	<a href="http://camosun.ca/counselling">http://camosun.ca/counselling</a>
Career Services	<a href="http://camosun.ca/coop">http://camosun.ca/coop</a>
Financial Aid and Awards	<a href="http://camosun.ca/financialaid">http://camosun.ca/financialaid</a>
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	<a href="http://camosun.ca/help-centres">http://camosun.ca/help-centres</a>
Indigenous Student Support	<a href="http://camosun.ca/indigenous">http://camosun.ca/indigenous</a>
International Student Support	<a href="http://camosun.ca/international/">http://camosun.ca/international/</a>
Learning Skills	<a href="http://camosun.ca/learningskills">http://camosun.ca/learningskills</a>
Library	<a href="http://camosun.ca/services/library/">http://camosun.ca/services/library/</a>
Office of Student Support	<a href="http://camosun.ca/oss">http://camosun.ca/oss</a>
Ombudsperson	<a href="http://camosun.ca/ombuds">http://camosun.ca/ombuds</a>
Registration	<a href="http://camosun.ca/registration">http://camosun.ca/registration</a>
Technology Support	<a href="http://camosun.ca/its">http://camosun.ca/its</a>
Writing Centre	<a href="http://camosun.ca/writing-centre">http://camosun.ca/writing-centre</a>

If you have a mental health concern, please contact Counselling to arrange an appointment as soon as possible. Counselling sessions are available at both campuses during business hours. If you need urgent support after-hours, please contact the Vancouver Island Crisis Line at 1-888-494-3888 or call 911.

## COLLEGE-WIDE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, REQUIREMENTS, AND STANDARDS

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### Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

The College is committed to providing appropriate and reasonable academic accommodations to students with disabilities (i.e. physical, depression, learning, etc). If you have a disability, the [Centre for Accessible Learning](http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/) (CAL) can help you document your needs, and where disability-related barriers to access in your courses exist, create an accommodation plan. By making a plan through CAL, you can ensure you have the appropriate academic accommodations you need without disclosing your diagnosis or condition to course instructors. Please visit the CAL website for contacts and to learn how to get started:

<http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/>

### Academic Integrity

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.13.pdf> for policy regarding academic expectations and details for addressing and resolving matters of academic misconduct.

### Academic Progress

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf> for further details on how Camosun College monitors students' academic progress and what steps can be taken if a student is at risk of not meeting the College's academic progress standards.

### Course Withdrawals Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.2.pdf> for further details about course withdrawals. For deadline for fees, course drop dates, and tuition refund, please visit <http://camosun.ca/learn/fees/#deadlines>.

### Grading Policy

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf> for further details about grading.

### Grade Review and Appeals

Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf> for policy relating to requests for review and appeal of grades.

### Mandatory Attendance for First Class Meeting of Each Course

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### Medical / Compassionate Withdrawals

Students who are incapacitated and unable to complete or succeed in their studies by virtue of serious and demonstrated exceptional circumstances may be eligible for a medical/compassionate withdrawal. Please visit <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.8.pdf> to learn more about the process involved in a medical/compassionate withdrawal.

### Sexual Violence and Misconduct

Camosun is committed to creating a campus culture of safety, respect, and consent. Camosun's Office of Student Support is responsible for offering support to students impacted by sexual violence. Regardless of when or where the sexual violence or misconduct occurred, students can access support at Camosun. The Office of Student Support will make sure students have a safe and private place to talk and will help them understand what supports are available and their options for next steps. The Office of Student Support respects a student's right to choose what is right for them. For more information see Camosun's Sexualized

Violence and Misconduct Policy: <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.9.pdf> and [camosun.ca/sexual-violence](http://camosun.ca/sexual-violence). To contact the Office of Student Support: [oss@camosun.ca](mailto:oss@camosun.ca) or by phone: 250-370-3046 or 250-3703841

### Student Misconduct (Non-Academic)

Camosun College is committed to building the academic competency of all students, seeks to empower students to become agents of their own learning, and promotes academic belonging for everyone. Camosun also expects that all students to conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to a positive, supportive, and safe learning environment. Please review Camosun College's Student Misconduct Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-2-student-services-and-support/e-2.5.pdf> to understand the College's expectations of academic integrity and student behavioural conduct.

**Changes to this Syllabus:** Every effort has been made to ensure that information in this syllabus is accurate at the time of publication. The College reserves the right to change courses if it becomes necessary so that course content remains relevant. In such cases, the instructor will give the students clear and timely notice of the changes.