COURSE SYLLABUS

CAMOSUN
COLLEGE

COURSE TITLE: ENGL 033 – Fundamental English 6

CLASS SECTION: S28

TERM: 2021F

COURSE CREDITS: Non-credit

DELIVERY METHOD(S): Blended

Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lək̓ʷəŋən and W̱SÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here.
Learn more about Camosun's Territorial Acknowledgement.

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INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

NAME: Jennifer Bennett

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OFFICE: E203

HOURS: By appointment

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

Students will use the basic rules of writing sentences and paragraphs. Students will develop reading comprehension and vocabulary and foster interest in reading. Students will accomplish life-long learning strategies and gain an understanding of Indigenous ways of knowing and world views. Students will practice learning skills for oral communication, critical thinking, social responsibilities, personal and cultural identity, and time and work management.

PREREQUISITE(S):   ENGL 025 or assessment

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

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

Reading

Learning Outcome *Students will be able to …*	Skills *By achieving this broader outcome, students will demonstrate that they can also …*
1. read and discuss: non-fiction, 7+ paragraph texts (e.g. articles, chapters, webpages, transcripts)	➤ separate relevant from non-relevant details ➤ identify purpose, logic, validity

	including abstract, conceptual or specialised vocabulary	➢ identify point of view, plot, main events, indirect characterization
2.	read and discuss: 7+ paragraph short stories; poems; songs (e.g. those including figurative language and implicit meaning)	➢ use form and structure to inform understanding (e.g. rhymes, stanzas, haikus, limericks) ➢ identify themes in poems, songs, fictional stories

Writing

	Learning Outcome *Students will be able to …*		Skills *By achieving this broader outcome, students will demonstrate that they can also …*
1.	write 8-10 sentence paragraphs using abstract and academic forms (i.e. persuasive argument, formal summary, cause and effect, compare or contrast, advantages or disadvantages)	➢	differentiate between subject and object pronouns
2.	compose self-reflective writings that describe learning experiences	➢	respond to self-identified learning experiences, concerns, and/or successes by using critical and future-oriented thinking ➢ write concise, purposeful explanations ➢ choose appropriate written register (i.e. colloquial or formal writing)

This course meets the required learning outcomes for Fundamental English as outlined in the BC ABE Articulation Handbook.

REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

1. BC Reads: Adult Literacy Fundamental English – Course Pack 6
2. BC Reads: Adult Literacy Fundamental English – Reader 6
3. 504 Absolutely Essential Words by Murray Bromberg, Julius Liebb, & Arthur Traiger

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

This class is expected to be a combination of online, blended and in-person instruction.

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 noticed is required. Deadlines scan be reviewed on the CAL exams page. http://camosun.ca/services/accessible-learning/exams.html

EVALUATION OF LEARNING

This course focuses on developing critical thinking skills to assess a range of readings. Students write and edit expository paragraphs using a variety of punctuation and grammatical structures. Students explore lifelong learning practices: goal setting, problem solving and internet searching. Students will build a portfolio of their work to be used as an evaluative tool in the assessment of their progress in the course.

Portfolio Activity	#	Description
Reading Comprehension	9	Unit responses
Vocabulary	34	Unit exercises

Non-Fiction Discussion	2	Read and respond in writing to newspaper & magazine articles.
Storyboard	1	Optional
Grammar	15	Unit assignments and as needed
Paragraphs	8	Opinion, descriptive, narrative, process, advantages/disadvantages, persuasive
Letter	1	Write a cover letter
Standardized test(s)	1 or more	Achieve a grade level of 10.0 in vocabulary and comprehension.

This course uses the Competency Based Grading System on students' successful completion of the course learning outcomes.

COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECATIONS

This is a self-paced course. Students have the flexibility to follow an individually-adaptable timeline to complete the learning outcomes and assignments. The course is a combination of 6 online, blended and/or in-person hours per week with an expectation of studying another 4 hours per week. Students have a responsibility to work hard, attend class and/or meetings, and ask for support when needed.

SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Community Learning Partnerships (CLP), a department of the School of Access, brings education to community-based sites to make it easier for students to begin or return to learning in a less intimidating place than on the college campus. Students can build or refresh their skills to meet admission requirements and be successful in other college programs. Students learn in a comfortable environment with other adults who share similar backgrounds and get help from friendly and compassionate Camosun instructors and staff. Community Learning Partnerships department: http://camosun.ca/learn/school/access/community-partnerships/index.html.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

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

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	http://camosun.ca/advising
Accessible Learning	http://camosun.ca/accessible-learning
Counselling	http://camosun.ca/counselling
Career Services	http://camosun.ca/coop

Support Service	Website
Financial Aid and Awards	http://camosun.ca/financialaid
Help Centres (Math/English/Science)	http://camosun.ca/help-centres
Indigenous Student Support	http://camosun.ca/indigenous
International Student Support	http://camosun.ca/international/
Learning Skills	http://camosun.ca/learningskills
Library	http://camosun.ca/services/library/
Office of Student Support	http://camosun.ca/oss
Ombudsperson	http://camosun.ca/ombuds
Registration	http://camosun.ca/registration
Technology Support	http://camosun.ca/its
Writing Centre	http://camosun.ca/writing-centre

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

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 (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. To contact the Office of Student Support: 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.