

# COURSE SYLLABUS



COURSE TITLE: **Grammar for Composition**

CLASS SECTION: **ELD 078 X01**

TERM: **Winter 2022**

COURSE CREDITS: 2

DELIVERY METHOD(S): on campus: **FISHER Building Room 216**

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## INSTRUCTOR DETAILS

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NAME: **Patrick Maguire**

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OFFICE: **Ewing 208**

HOURS: **Monday/Wednesday 1:30 – 2:30 or 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

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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.

- PRE/CO-REQUISITE(S):
- COM in ELD 062
  - COM in ELD 064

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES / OBJECTIVES

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At successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the form and function of English grammatical structures as follows:
- Use self-monitoring to identify and correct errors in the revision process.
- Demonstrate accurate use of grammatical rules with minimal assistance from texts or teachers.

## REQUIRED MATERIALS & RECOMMENDED PREPARATION / INFORMATION

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### Prints provided

## 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.

### Tentative Winter 2022 Schedule

| WEEK    | ACTIVITY or TOPIC  | OTHER NOTES             |
|---------|--|-------------------------|
| Week 1  | <i>Course Introduction / Word Analysis / Intro to AWL</i>              | Jan 20                  |
| Week 2  | <i>AWL 1 / Word Formation / Words in Context</i>                       | Jan 25, 27              |
| Week 3  | <i>AWL 1 / Word Formation / Words in Context</i>                       | Feb 1, Feb 3            |
| Week 4  | <b>AWL 1 Quiz</b> // <i>AWL 2 / Word Formation / Words in Context/</i> | Feb 8, 10               |
| Week 5  | <i>AWL 2 / Word Formation / Words in Context</i>                       | Feb 15, 17              |
| Week 6: |  | Reading Week – no class |
| Week 7  | <b>AWL 2 Quiz</b> // <i>AWL 3 / Word Formation / Words in Context/</i> | Mar 1, Mar 3            |
| Week 8  | <i>AWL 3 / Word Formation / Words in Context/</i>                      | Mar 8, 10               |
| *Week 9 | <b>AWL 3 Quiz</b> // <i>AWL 4 / Word Formation / Words in Context/</i> | Mar 15, 17              |
| Week 10 | <i>AWL 4 / Word Formation / Words in Context/</i>                      | Mar 22, 24              |
| Week 11 | <i>AWL 4 / Word Formation / Words in Context//</i> <b>Final Quiz</b>   | Mar 29, 31              |

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>

## EVALUATION OF LEARNING

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| DESCRIPTION | WEIGHTING |
|-------------|-----------|
| Quizzes:    | 50 %      |

| DESCRIPTION                              | WEIGHTING |
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| Homework, In-class Tasks, Participation: | 50 %      |
| TOTAL                                    | 100%      |

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.  
<http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.14.pdf>

## COURSE GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS

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### ***How to Benefit from ELD 078***

There are several approaches to learning vocabulary. This course will focus on academic vocabulary and how to build vocabulary (and accuracy in writing) through word forms. We will focus on the most common words in academic English, identified in the Academic Word List. We will aim to study approximately 240 words, but considered as word families, that increases to over 1000 words. This vocabulary is essential in order to understand academic texts and to write at a college level.

Experience has shown us that your success in this course depends primarily on the effort you make. If you study to prepare for the classes, attend all or most of the classes, actively participate in class, and review words after class, it is very likely that you will do well in this course. Moreover, you will not only gain a lot of personal satisfaction and enjoyment from your accomplishment, but also develop much greater confidence in your ability to read and write academic English.

## SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

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1. To successfully fulfill the requirements of the course and receive a passing grade (60%), all tests and assignments must be completed.
2. Attendance is vitally important for successful completion of this course. If you cannot attend a class because of illness or for some other valid reason, please contact the teacher or have another student relay the message. Note: Do not plan on taking a vacation during the semester! Exams missed as a result of a vacation cannot be made up.
3. All assignments must be completed entirely by the student(s). Work that is copied or pasted in from another source, done in whole or in part by another person, or fixed and edited by another person is plagiarism – the theft of another person’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
4. As a courtesy to everyone in the class, all cell phones must be TURNED OFF while the class is in session.
5. Students may not use recording devices in the classroom without the prior permission of the instructor. However, the instructor’s permission is not required when the use of a recording device

is sanctioned by the College’s Resource Centre for Students with Disabilities in order to accommodate a student’s disability and when the instructor has been provided with an instructor notification letter which specifies the use of a recording device. Recordings made in the classroom are for the student’s personal use only, and distribution of recorded material is prohibited.

6. No electronic devices (electronic dictionaries, cell phones, etc.) can be used during tests and most in-class assignments (at the discretion of the instructor).

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## 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.

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## 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>                                 |

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| Support Service | Website   |
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| Writing Centre  | <a href="http://camosun.ca/writing-centre">http://camosun.ca/writing-centre</a> |

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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.

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## 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](#) (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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course and the space offered to the next waitlisted student. For more information, please see the “Attendance” section under “Registration Policies and Procedures” (<http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/procedures.html>) and the Grading Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.5.pdf>.

### 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.