ESL 316 Course Outline as of Fall 2016

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: ESL 316 Title: LOW-ADV ESL GRAM/WRIT

Full Title: Low-Advanced ESL Grammar/Writing

Last Reviewed: 10/5/2009

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	6.00	Lecture Scheduled	6.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	105.00
Minimum	6.00	Lab Scheduled	0	17.5	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	6.00		Contact Total	105.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 210.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 315.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Non-Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: ENGL 316

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Qualifying Test Score in English OR Completion of ESL 314 or higher (V3)

Recommended Preparation:

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Transfer Credit:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Not Certificate/Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Employ a multi-draft writing process to produce essays that contain an introduction with a thesis statement, a body that develops the thesis statement, and an appropriate conclusion.
- 2. Recognize and incorporate different approaches to writing for academic and vocational purposes.
- 3. Employ critical thinking in supporting a thesis.
- 4. Utilize basic research skills.
- 5. Complete in-class, timed essays.
- 6. Edit papers for grammatical accuracy.
- 7. Indentify specific themes/main ideas in a variety of writings.
- 8. Develop vocabulary through reading and integrate new words into their essays.
- 9. Use the computer effectively as a writing and research tool.

Topics and Scope:

- A. Composition Skills
- 1. Pre-writing
- a. Brainstorming
- b. Journal writing
- c. Clustering
- d. Outlining
- 2. The first draft
 - a. Development of a thesis statement
 - b. Clear topic sentences
 - c. A body that supports the thesis
 - d. An effective conclusion
- 3. Revision of essays for coherence, critical thinking, and development
- 4. Editing for grammatical accuracy

- 5. Narrative and expository writings, and argumentative modes
- 6. Collaborative work in peer editing, group tasks, and open-ended discussions
- 7. In-class essay writing process
- 8. Introduction to MLA form in essays

B. Grammar Skills

- 1. Recognition and correction of run-ons, fragments and comma splices
- 2. Simple, compound, and compound-complex sentences
- 3. Editing papers for grammatical problems
 - a. Subject-verb agreement
 - b. Use of verbs including perfect tenses and passive voice
 - c. Reported speech
 - d. Use of conditional forms
 - e. Punctuation: capitalization, quotation marks, commas, semicolons, and colons
 - f. Parallelism
 - g. Word forms

C. Reading Skills

- 1. Schema building through a variety of short fiction and non-fiction readings
- 2. Contextual vocabulary development through readings and use of new words in essays
- 3. Recognition of rhetorical strategies
- 4. Paraphrasing and summarizing
- 5. Critical analysis of ideas of various writers

D. Computer Skills/Information Literacy

- 1. The computer as a writing and editing tool
- 2. Use of the thesaurus, dictionary, etc.
- 3. The Internet as a research instrument
- a. As a tool to find sources of information
- b. As a source for summarizing
- c. As a source for documentation and citation
- 4. Introduction to issues of plagiarism

Assignment:

The following represent the types of assignments that may be included:

- A. In-class work
- 1. Vocabulary and grammar exercises
- 2. Pair and group activities
- 3. Presentations
- 4. Analysis of readings and a variety of themes
- 5. In-class writings on topics of current relevance
- 6. Grammar exams and quizzes
- 7. A minimum of 2 in-class essays in response to an academic reading, including the midterm and the final
- B. Computer work
- 1. Paragraph and essay writing and editing
- 2. Computerized grammar and writing exercises3. Internet activities
- C. Homework
- 1. Grammar exercises
- 2. Reading exercises

- 3. Revising and editing
- 4. At least 3-4 multi-draft essays for a total of 2,000 words (about 8 pages), using descriptive/narrative, expository, and argumentative modes
- 5. Self-reflective portfolio of semester writings

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, paragraphs, essays, and journals

Writing 40 - 50%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

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Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Objective quizzes and essay exams, midterm and final inclass essay

Exams 40 - 50%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Class attendance and participation, oral presentations, and portfolios

Other Category 10 - 20%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Composition

In Our Own Words, 3rd edition, Mlynarczyk & Haber, Cambridge, 2008

Catalyst 2 Writing From Reading, 1st edition, Jones & Brem, Heinle/Cengage, 2008

Northstar 4, 3rd edition, English & English, Pearson/Longman, 2009

Great Essays, 2nd edition, Folse, et al., Heinle/Cengage, 2004

Greater Essays, 1st edition, Folse & Pugh, Heinle/Cengage, 2007

Engaging Writing, Fitzpatrick, Pearson/Longman, 2005

Blueprints 2: Composition Skills for Academic Writing, Folse, et al., Heinle/Cengage, 2003

Writing to Communicate 2, Boardman & Fryenberg, Pearson/Longman, 2007

Grammar/Editing Supplements

More Grammar Practice 3, 1st edition, Heinle/Cengage, 2001

Better Writing Through Editing, Peterson & Hagen, McGraw-Hill, 1999

Eye on Editing, Cain, Pearson/Longman, 2003

Instructor prepared materials