

Syllabus

Schedule

Course Description

English 106 - Basic Writing

Outcomes

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

1. Think, speak, and write critically about meaningful topics that affect your life.
2. Discover truth, beauty, and enjoyment through writing.
3. Share your thoughts and writings with fellow classmates, thus creating a real sense of audience (and community) while developing interpersonal skills.
4. Analyze examples of effective and ineffective writing in order to emulate what words are effective and avoid what doesn't work.
5. Understand how audience and purpose guide style, content, and organization in writing.
6. Generate a thesis and organize relevant support using rhetorical strategies appropriate for the context.
7. Use principles of freewriting, drafting, revision, and editing to achieve polished prose.
8. Identify and correct common sentence level errors.

Description

This course emphasizes basic writing conventions: effective sentences, paragraphs, and short essays. Recommended for individuals with ACT English score of 17 or below.

Learning Model Architecture

English 106 integrates the BYU-Idaho Learning Model in a weekly cycle. Students are to prepare prior to the new weekly lesson. Students teach one another through various activities throughout the week, and ponder & prove what they have learned.

Prerequisites

None

Required Materials

Rules of Thumb 7th Ed. Silverman

Grading Policies

Grading Breakdown:

Tutoring Attendance: 25 points

Attendance/Participation: 25 points

Short Writing Assignment: 5 x 10 points = 50 points

Three Essays: 3 x 100 = 300 points

Pre/Progress Tests: 10 points each

Final Test: 100 points

Grading Scale:

A= 94-100%

A- = 90-93

B+= 87-89
B= 83-86
B-= 80-82
C+= 77-79
C= 73-76
C-= 70-72
D+= 67-69
D=63-66
D-= 60-62
F= 0-59

Late Work:

Assignments are due in class the day indicated on the syllabus. Late work will be reduced a full letter grade.

Plagiarism:

Plagiarism or other forms of cheating will not be tolerated. From BYU's Academic Honesty policy statement: "*Intentional Plagiarism*" is the deliberate act of representing the words, ideas, or data of another as one's own without providing proper attribution to the author through quotation, reference, or footnote." To avoid unintentional plagiarism consult with me on the text in question.

University Policies

Student Honor

Student Honor is following the path of discipleship and learning to be more like Christ--learning to think, to feel, and to act more as He does. *Living a life of honor:*

- Begins as we learn and live the baseline standards of the Honor Code, understand their purposes, and are true to the promises we have made.
- Continues as we heed the promptings of the Spirit to raise our personal bar of righteousness and foster a spirit of integrity, sacrifice, consecration, love, service and willing obedience as students and throughout our lives.
- Prepares our hearts for devoted discipleship in the family, church, work, and community.

[Honor Code](#) | [Academic Honesty](#) | [Dress and Grooming Standards](#)

Students with Disabilities

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