ENG 1001G-038: Composition and Language

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ENGLISH 1001.038
COMPOSITION and LANGUAGE
FALL 2009
MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY (MWF) 1:00-1:50
COLEMAN HALL 3140/3210

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COURSE OBJECTIVES
* Develop analytical and critical thinking skills
* Develop expression and thought in our writing
* Learn about and gain understanding of academic writing and life
* Build vocabulary

Beginning composition is, in many ways, the MOST important class you can take at the university. The class is designed to aid you throughout your entire collegiate career and into your careers as professionals. Therefore, treat it as such.

ATTENDANCE POLICY
You can miss FIVE classes without penalty. Also, an absence is an absence. I will not judge between excused or unexcused absences, so you do not need to tell me why you missed class. If you miss more than FIVE classes you will receive a penalty per absence: SIXTH -25, Seventh -50, Eighth -100 and so on...

ASSIGNMENTS
1) 12-14 page paper in FOUR increments
2) 5 1-page Writing Assignments
3) In-class Activities
4) Participation

*ALL sections of the paper must be turned in to pass
**Based on attendance, participation in assignment and questions

100-90% A, 89-80% B, 79-70% C, 69 or lower =NC

You should also know that if you ever need help with your writing or with college life there are a variety of options available to you. 1) Me. You can come by my office, email or call me. 2) The Writing Center. Located very near our classroom, the Writing Center offers 1-on-1 sessions to help your writing. 3) The Student Success Center. College can be tough. If you are struggling academically or personally call the Center at 217.581.6696. Finally if you have a documented disability and wish to receive accommodations, please contact the Office of Disability Services at 581.6583 and then also talk to me.
PLAGIARISM
“Any teacher who discovers an act of plagiarism—‘the appropriation or imitation of the language, ideas, and / or thoughts of another author, and representation of them as one’s original work’ has the right and the responsibility to impose upon the guilty student an appropriate penalty, up to and including the immediate assignment grade of “F” and a grade of “F” for the course, and to report the incident to Student Affairs.” A very serious offense, it can, and has resulted in expulsion from the university. This class is about learning the necessary skills for all classes to come, don’t cheat yourself.

THE CALENDAR

August
24 Intros, Diagnostic Essay
26 Intros, Syllabus, Scavenger Hunt
28 Critical Thinking, Group Activities
31 Learning Styles, Paraphrase, Synthesis

September
2 Analysis vs. Summary
4 Purpose/Audience

7 Labor Day, no classes
9 Thesis Statements
11 Thesis Statements
14 Introductions
16 Specific vs. General
18 Final Checklist, proofreading
*Part I Due by 4:30*
21-25 Conferences in CH 3762
28 Argumentation, Logic, Reasoning
30 “Bloom on Trial”

October
2 Home Work 1 Due
5 Sentence Variation, Line-Editing
7 Active vs. Passive voice, Line-Editing
9 Fall Break, no classes
12 Topic Sentences
14 Transitional Phrases
16 Home Work 2 Due
*Part II Dues by 4:30*
19 Group Activities
21 Essay Examples
23 Integrating Quotes, MLA
26 Research I
28 Research II
30 Home Work 3 Due

November
2 Student Examples
4 Transitional Phrases
6 Grammar Break I
9 Group Activities
11 Being Forceful, Being Correct
13 Grammar Break II, Checklist
*Part III Due by 4:30*
16 Counter Arguments
18 Student Examples
20 Home Work 4 Due
23-27 Thanksgiving Break, no classes
30 Essay Examples

December
2 Home Work 5 due
4 EWP, Class Evals, Comp II preview
7-11 Conferences in CH 3762
14-18 Finals Week, no classes
*Part IV Due by Noon Thursday*