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PHILOSOPHY/GOALS

This course, designed for Office Administration students, provides an intensive review of basic grammar and sentence structure concepts as well as promoting reading, writing, and vocabulary skills development. Pretests will determine students' proficiency levels in the above skills. ENG 132-3 is the prerequisite for ENG 138-3 and Machine Transcription (MTC 200).

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

Students' skills in reading comprehension, writing, vocabulary development, and grammar will be assessed by comprehensive testing during and at the end of the semester.

Letter grades will be assigned in accordance with department guidelines.

The following grade symbols will be used in recording final grades:

- "A+" - Consistently Outstanding
- "A" - Outstanding
- "B" - Above Average
- "C" - Average
- "R" - Repeat (The student has not achieved the required objectives and must repeat the course).

Note: Students may be assigned an "R" grade early in the course for unsatisfactory attendance or performance.

GRADING

Work will be graded as follows:

1. Grammar - 50%
2. Writing - 15%
3. Vocabulary/Related Activities - 15%
4. Reading - 10%
5. Attendance and Participation - 10%

TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES


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4. *Roget's Thesaurus*.

Students may be required to purchase two overhead transparencies and a black or blue non-permanent (water soluble) transparency pen (available in the Campus Shop).

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

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

1. Write clear, concise, grammatically-correct sentences in a variety of standard sentence patterns.

2. Analyze sentences to identify problems and correct them.

3. Demonstrate acquisition of vocabulary development techniques (dictionary use, context, personal glossary, etc.).

4. Read at a level consistent with post-secondary work.

**COURSE TOPICS**

The following topics will be taught:

1. Parts of Speech
   - **a) Nouns** - Types and Number
   - **b) Pronouns** - Types, Case
   - **c) Verbs** - Tenses
     - Number and Person
     - Progressive Forms
     - Transitive, Intransitive, Linking
     - Irregular Verbs
   - **d) Adjectives** - Types
     - Comparison
     - In a Series
   - **e) Adverbs** - Types
     - Comparison
   - **f) Phrases** - Prepositional
     - Participial
     - Infinitive
     - Gerundial

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2. Sentence Sense
   a) Purpose - four kinds of sentences
   b) Recognizing Subjects, Verbs
   c) Recognizing Objects and Complements
   d) Structure (analyzing and writing sentences)
      (i) Simple
      (ii) Compound -- Run-on
      (iii) Complex -- Fragments
      (iv) Compound/Complex

3. Punctuation - Punctuation will be taught in conjunction with other topics. Emphasis will be on use of commas and apostrophes.

4. Reading Comprehension - If pretests indicate a need, students may be assigned reading activities in the Learning Assistance Centre, to be completed in unscheduled time.

5. Vocabulary and Word Study - Exercises in vocabulary development, spelling etc. will be assigned on an ongoing basis.

Note: Topics may not be presented in the order shown. To meet course objectives, students should expect to match each scheduled class hour with at least one hour of independent study.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

A variety of methods that may include individual and small group work, and assignments will be used to respond to student needs.

TIME FRAME

ENG 132-3 involves three periods per week for sixteen weeks.