



## **Lincoln University**

### **COURSE SYLLABUS**

Course Title: Written Communication II

Course Number: English 82B

Semester: Fall 2016

Class meetings: Tuesdays, 12:30-3:15

Credit: 3 Units

Lecture hours: 45

Prerequisite(s): None

Co-requisites: None

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#### **Course Description**

ENG 82B - WRITTEN COMMUNICATION II

The course includes critical reading and evaluation of selected texts and writings; composition of well-organized expository papers; a careful consideration of methods of research, organization in a clear, logical manner and other elements involved in writing research papers. (3 units)

#### **Learning Objectives**

Students will develop their writing skills for personal, academic, professional, and socio-cultural purposes, in context-centered writing. Learning objectives include enhanced ability in all phases of writing, including planning, developing, editing, and presenting. With a focus on best practices in contemporary communication methods and effective use of online and offline resources, students will gain competencies needed for success with their own composition process and results as needed in a variety of functional contexts.

## **Instructional Materials and References**

### Required Texts

VanderMey, R. (2015). *The college writer: A guide to thinking, writing, and researching* (5th ed.). Boston, Mass.: Wadsworth Cengage Learning. (TCW)  
ISBN 9780495915836

Jack, J., & Pryal, K. (2016). *How writing works: A guide to composing genres*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press. (HWW)  
ISBN 978-0199859849

### **Companion Websites**

#### [How Writing Works Site](#)

Vandermey

site:[http://college.cengage.com/english/vandermey/college\\_writer/4e/students/index.html](http://college.cengage.com/english/vandermey/college_writer/4e/students/index.html)

### **Topical Outline**

English 82B covers the aspects of composing well-organized written communications in functional contexts. The core of the course will emphasize practice in organizing ideas in a clear, logical manner and other elements involved in writing papers in various applied contexts. Topics include: writing development based on critical reading and evaluation of both student and professional writing. Review of the foundation for writing in personal, academic, and professional contexts.

### **Homework Assignments**

For each of the units (as well as additional assignments given in class), students will do the following by the date listed on the schedule below:

**Read** assigned materials with care and understanding.

**Respond** to the main points of each chapter assigned by listing three or four key questions with answers (no more than two or three sentences each).

**Reflect** on the unit in writing (a brief paragraph or two).

**Email** your unit and chapter assignments to me at [profsylvia@gmail.com](mailto:profsylvia@gmail.com), before the date on the schedule.

Unit essays will be required as per the course schedule. For midterm and final review assignments, students will present ePortfolios/PPTs adapted from the weekly assignments as individual or team projects.

## SCHEDULE

#	Date	Unit	ASSIGNMENTS For each chapter in each book: Read, Reflect, Respond and email by the date on this schedule
1	23-Aug	Unit 1 Introduction Where do you stand with regard to writing?	HWW, Chapter 1: Literacy Narrative
2	30-Aug	Introductory Profile/Literacy Narrative Essay (Assigned)	TCW, Process of Writing: C1-8 HWW, Chapter 2: Journal Entry
3	6-Sep	Unit 1 Essay -- Introductory Response Essay -- Due Presentations Peer Evaluation	HWW, Chapter 3: Response Essay
4	13-Sep	Unit 2: Language, Literature, Art, Music, Humanities Focus?	HWW, Chapter 4: Personal Essay
5	20-Sep	Humanities Focus - Arts and Literature; MLA Format	TCW, C16, Literary Analysis MLA Format HWW-Chapter 5: Profile
6	27-Sep	Unit 2 --Humanities Essay -- Due Report Writing	TCW, C23, Preparing Oral presentation HWW-Chapter 6: Informative Genres
7	4-Oct	Academic Essays Review ePortfolio/PPT Presentations	TCW, C21, Taking Essay Tests HWW-Chapter 7: Inquiries ePortfolio I/PPT Presentations
8	11-Oct	<b>Midterm Exam</b>	
9	18-Oct	Essay Unit 3 Social Sciences Focus	HWW-Chapter 8: Analyses
10	25-Oct	Reviews and Proposal Writing	HWW-Chapter 9: Reviews HWW-Chapter 13: Proposals
11	1-Nov	Argumentative Genres	HWW-Chapter 10: Argumentative Genres

12	8-Nov	APA Format - Writing for business, economics, and the web	TCW, C22, Writing for the Workplace HWW-Chapter 12: Workplace Genres
13	15-Nov	Unit 3 -- Social Sciences -- Essay Due Presentations Unit 4 Physical Sciences	HWW-Chapter 11: Academic Research Genres HWW-Chapter 14: Reports
	22-Nov	<b>Fall Recess (Nov 22-26)</b>	
14	29-Nov	Unit 4 -- Physical Sciences-- Essay Due Review Presentations Conclusion	ePortfolio/Ppt II; Review
15	6-Dec	<b>Final Exam</b>	

### Assessment and Method of Evaluation\

#### GRADING GUIDELINES

Items	Points
Unit Papers/ Exercises / Daily Assignments: Oral and Written	25
Midterm	20
ePortfolio I, II	10
Presentation of Assignments	10
Final Exam	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

100-95	A
94-90	A-
89-87	B+
86-84	B
83-80	B-
79-77	C+
76-74	C
73-70	C-
69-65	D+
64-60	D
59 or <	F

**Please Note:**

Revisions to the schedule will be announced in class as needed. Class attendance is required. Required textbooks should be obtained as soon as possible and brought to class for each session. Class participation is encouraged for enhanced learning through applied content, group interactions, and individual and small group presentations. Plagiarized content is strictly prohibited: Researched materials must be documented using a consistent style for both in-text and end-text citations of sources using the published standards of the most recent subject-appropriate style guide, such as APA (social sciences) or MLA (humanities), for example. Missed exams and assignments require certified excuses (signed documentation by an appropriate medical or other official representative). With documentation, a makeup exam may be scheduled. Electronics are not allowed during exams. Cell phones should not be active during class sessions.

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