SOPHIA Learning

ENG1001: English Composition I

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course helps the students to learn the core skills of English Composition and how to apply those skills to become effective writers. Students will gain proficiency with all of the steps in the writing process while creating and revising original narrative, comparison/contrast, informative, and argumentative compositions. Students in this course will learn how to analyze the rhetorical situation of a text or their own compositions. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to create a well-structured draft and employ strategies for meaningful revision to produce a clear and cohesive composition.

Course Effective Dates: June 2018 - February 2021

Prerequisite(s): Lower-division baccalaureate/associate degree course – no prerequisites

Length of course: This is a self-paced course. Students have 60 days with an additional 30 day extension (if needed) to complete the course.

ACE CREDIT® Recommendation: 3 semester hours in English Composition.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Describe English Composition
- 2. Write effective sentences and paragraphs
- 3. Employ proper usage of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics in writing
- 4. Articulate the writing process
- 5. Apply writing and revising techniques to narrative, comparison/contrast, informative, and argumentative essays

OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- Modes of writing
- Purpose, audience, and tone
- Writing effective sentences
- Paragraph development and organization
- Grammar
- The writing process
- Essay structure & style
- Narrative writing- elements, language, and techniques
- Punctuation and mechanics
- Drafting and the rhetorical situation
- Thesis statements
- Writing comparison/contrast essays
- Writing in the informative mode
- Revising, editing, and proofreading
- Research basics
- Writing an argumentative essay

GRADING

This is a pass/fail course. Students are required to complete all 15 formative assessments, 5 summative assessments, and 5 writing assignments with an overall course average of 70% or better.