Course Information
Division: Humanities and Social Sciences
Contact Hours 45
Total Credits 3

Prerequisite
RDG 090 and ENGL 090 or qualifying scores on accepted placement tests

Course Description
This is the core course in English composition. It covers primarily expository writing, grammar, analysis and punctuation. Emphasis is placed on structure, style and appropriate usage. This course transfers to most four-year colleges and universities as the introductory writing course. Students will produce and edit a variety of written documents.

This course is approved as a General Education competency satisfier.

General Education Goal: Communication
Competency: Write Effectively
Learning Outcome: Students will write Standard American English in a clear, correct, and organized manner for a variety of purposes and audiences.

General Education Learning Objectives
A. Write clear and concise sentences using Standard American English with appropriate syntax and mechanics.
B. Write paragraphs that demonstrate unity and coherence; paragraphs have appropriate details and examples that support a topic sentence and thesis statement.
C. Develop written compositions using organizational patterns and rhetorical modes appropriate for the desired audience and purpose.
D. Create a composition that demonstrates the process of pre-writing, revising, and editing expected in a college-level final draft.

Course Outcomes
In order to evidence success in this course, the students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate prewriting strategies by creating journals, freewriting and brainstorming exercises, outlines, and thesis sentences.

   Applies to General Education Objective

   A. Write clear and concise sentences using Standard American English with appropriate syntax and mechanics.

   B. Write paragraphs that demonstrate unity and coherence; paragraphs have appropriate details and examples that support a topic sentence and thesis statement.
2. Demonstrate the ability to write effective simple, compound, complex, and compound-complex sentences.  
   **Applies to General Education Objective**  
   A. Write clear and concise sentences using Standard American English with appropriate syntax  
      and mechanics.

3. Demonstrate the ability to write effective paragraphs.  
   **Applies to General Education Objective**  
   B. Write paragraphs that demonstrate unity and coherence; paragraphs have appropriate  
      details and examples that support a topic sentence and thesis statement.

4. Demonstrate the ability to write in some of the following standard rhetorical modes, which may include  
   narration, description, definition, example, analogy, comparison, contrast, classification, process, cause  
   and effect, analysis, and argumentation.  
   **Applies to General Education Objective**  
   B. Write paragraphs that demonstrate unity and coherence; paragraphs have appropriate  
      details and examples that support a topic sentence and thesis statement.  
   C. Develop written compositions using organizational patterns and rhetorical modes appropriate  
      for the desired audience and purpose.  
   D. Create a composition that demonstrates the process of pre-writing, revising, and editing  
      expected in a college-level final draft.