ENGLISH COMPOSITION

ENG CMP 0010   COLLEGE COMPOSITION 1          3 cr.

This class teaches students how to write academic essays. They will learn how to establish a clear purpose for writing; to identify and respond appropriately to the needs of various audiences; to write in a variety of rhetorical modes; to understand and critically read a range of student, journalistic, academic and professional writing; to develop flexible strategies for generating ideas, revising, editing, and proofreading; to craft a clear and focused thesis statement and an organized structure of supporting claims; to employ evidence and offer support for claims; and to follow the rules of standard, edited American English.

Prerequisite: None.

ENG CMP 0011   COMPOSITION TUTORIAL          1 cr.

Series of tutorial sessions designed to help students with their writing at the sentence and paragraph levels. Students work one-on-one with an instructor or a consultant in the writing center, using the papers they produce in ENGCMP 0010 as materials for discussion.

Prerequisite: None.

ENG CMP 0020   COLLEGE COMPOSITION 2          3 cr.

In addition to continuing to advance the goals of College Composition 1, this class teaches students how to write an academic research paper. They will learn how to choose and focus on an appropriate research topic; to evaluate, select, and organize relevant research material from both print and electronic sources; to draft and revise an essay that draws on relevant research material in order to make an original argument; to analyze and synthesize information from sources and integrate it smoothly and coherently into their own discourse; to distinguish summary, paraphrase, and quotation from plagiarism, and thus ensure that both the wording and the sentence structure of summaries and paraphrases are essentially students’ own; and to properly use MLA documentation format for in-text and external bibliographic citations of scholarly, popular, and electronic sources.

Prerequisite: ENGCMP 0010 or placement.

ENG CMP 0030   COLLEGE COMPOSITION 3          3 cr.

This class teaches students how to write within the discipline or area of the major, so as to demonstrate sufficient subject-area knowledge of the field or discipline. Essays will reflect an awareness of disciplinary purposes, audiences, contexts, and genres of writing, as well as published research within the field or discipline. Students will also learn disciplinary conventions of documentation style. Depending on the academic program, students will take a writing-intensive or "W" course that counts as a College Composition 3 equivalent.

Prerequisites: Junior; ENGCMP 0020.
ENGCMP 0031 BUSINESS WRITING 3 cr.

This course will help students gain experience in writing work-related letters and memos, a short report, and a long report—the kinds of writing done in business fields. Students will learn how to write documents that effectively meet the needs of particular readers (such as customers, clients, co-workers, and employers). The course will also help students master the standard formats of business writing; develop a reader-friendly style; refine their editing techniques; control tone, diction, sentence structure, and paragraphing; improve their research methods; grasp the fundamentals of the modern language association’s documentation system of parenthetical in-text citations; and review the most important principles of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics as they apply to the business world.

Prerequisite: ENGCMP 0020; PLAN: Management, Management-Accounting or Management Information Systems.

ENGCMP 0032 WRITING IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES 3 cr.

This course is an introduction to writing in the social sciences, with an emphasis on using the APA style (American Psychological Association). Students will develop analytical and critical thinking skills within the context of social science disciplines, and to prepare for the capstone course in various behavioral science majors. Emphasis will be placed on the process of formulating a research question and thesis; we will also address argument, evidence, interpretation, methodology, and critique in social science research.

Prerequisite: ENGCMP 0020.

ENGCMP 0905 COLLEGIATE READING 3 cr.

Develops reading skills that will contribute to success in college and in life. Explicitly teaches vocabulary development and enrichment, various comprehension strategies, including context clues, sentence patterns, and paragraph and essay components through interesting, thought-provoking readings. Additional competencies include, but are not limited to, skills for critical reading and thinking and for finding appropriate reading rates.

Prerequisite: None.

ENGCMP 1150 GRAMMAR AND COPY-EDITING 3 cr.

After a brisk review of the fundamentals of grammar and punctuation, this course will help students learn to operate the American English language with precision, force, and elegance by accommodating themselves to the precepts that govern the prose in fastidiously edited books and magazines. Emphasis is practical rather than theoretical. The course will be especially pertinent to students preparing for careers in writing, editing, teaching, communications, and the mass media. This course may not be used as a substitute for ENGCMP 0030 (College Composition 3).

Prerequisites: Junior; ENGCMP 0020.