

## ENGLISH COMPOSITION II

Spring 2009

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Thursday 4:10-6:00 p.m. at L303 (2 credit hours)

Office hour: By appointment at FL203

### **Course Objectives**

1. Students will practice the writing process from brainstorming, to outlining, drafting, and editing/revision; therefore, “see” the development of an essay.
2. Students will be able to develop writing skills through extensive readings and writing of different rhetoric genres (i.e. process, definition, comparison/contrast, and opinion), thus also understand English text structure.
3. Students will understand the importance of an appealing title, introductory paragraph, and concluding paragraph, and practice doing so throughout the semester.
4. Students will learn and practice strategies for getting ideas, and to use checklists to revise their writing.
5. Students, as authentic readers for one another, will give constructive feedback and suggestions during the editing and revision phase.

### **Textbook**

Hogue, A., & Oshima, A. (2007). *Introduction to Academic Writing*. (3rd Edition). Pearson Education. (Available at 驚聲 Bookstore)

### **Things to Bring to Class**

- Highlighters of different colors
- Blank A4 papers

## **Syllabus**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Discussion Topic</i>	<i>Essay due</i>
02/19	Class Orientation: Overview of the class Ch. 9: Essay organization	
02/26	Ch. 9 (cont.)	
03/05	Ch. 6: Process	
03/12	Ch. 6 (cont.)	
03/19	Ch. 6 (cont.)	
03/26	Ch. 8: Definition	
04/02	<i>Spring Break (No class!)</i>	
04/09	Ch. 8 (cont.)	
04/16	Ch. 8 (cont.)	
04/23	<i>Mid-term week (No class!!!)</i>	
04/30	Ch. 7: Comparison/contrast	
05/07	Ch. 7 (cont.)	
05/14	Ch. 7 (cont.)	
05/21	Ch. 10: Opinion	
05/28	<i>Dragon Boat Festival (No Class!!!)</i>	
06/04	Ch. 10 (cont.)	
06/11	Ch. 10 (cont.)	
06/18	<i>Final exam (time TBA)</i>	

Have a great summer!!!

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\*Syllabus subject to change

## **Evaluation**

- Attendance/Participation: 30%
- Four essays: 40%
  - ✧ Process
  - ✧ Definition
  - ✧ Comparison/contrast
  - ✧ Opinion
- Peer-review: 15%
- Final exam: 15%

Note: i. This class will be conducted in English.

ii. Late, makeup, or plagiarized essays will NOT be accepted.