

## On-Campus Course Syllabus ENG 101.L1 ENGLISH COMPOSITION I Fall 2019

#### **Class Information**

Day and Time: Tuesday-Thursday 9:25 a.m.-10:40 a.m.

**Room Number:** E-211

#### **Contact Information**

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## **Course Description and Prerequisites**

A comprehensive review of English and an introduction to the fundamentals of composition. (Prerequisite: ENG 090 or required minimum ACT or SAT score.)

## **Course Objectives**

- 1) Demonstrate knowledge of individual and collaborative writing processes by
  - a) producing prewriting samples that reflect various invention strategies as specified by the instructor, including but not limited to clustering, free writing, listing, questioning, and/or scratch outlining;
  - b) demonstrating mastery of the writing process, including steps such as topic selection, topic narrowing, thesis generation, topic subdivision, outlining, and drafting;
  - c) producing writings, passages, or other texts that show improvement in focus, content, organization, and surface features from the assignment to final product.
- 2) Develop ideas with appropriate support and attribution by
  - a) differentiating between broad, general topics and narrow, focused topics;
  - b) compiling sufficient information for the essay;
  - c) demonstrating understanding of essay structure and organization;
  - d) developing an essay with adequate, appropriate paragraph development to support a central idea, controlling generalization, claim, or thesis;
  - e) using appropriate attribution format when integrating supporting information.
- 3) Write in a style appropriate to audience and purpose by
  - a) identifying purpose and rhetorical occasion;
  - b) demonstrating audience sensitivity in regard to scope, content, language level, tone, and word choice;
  - c) including a definitive statement, located in an appropriate place in the essay, which focuses the reader on the writer's purpose;

- d) writing coherent essays using appropriate rhetorical strategies, such as description, narration, example, process, comparison and contrast, definition, classification, cause and effect, and argumentation.
- 4) Read, reflect, and respond critically to a variety of texts by
  - a) identifying the stated or implied purpose in professional/academic writing samples and in peers' writing; identifying mechanical, grammatical, and spelling errors in instructor-generated materials, peer-produced texts, and other texts;
  - b) analyzing content and rhetorical strategies in professional/academic writing samples and in peers' writing.
- 5) Use Edited American English in academic essays by
  - a) using appropriate diction, including precise word choice and varied vocabulary;
  - b) demonstrating proper grammatical constructions, including standard usage and varied sentence structure;
  - c) using accurate mechanics and punctuation;
  - d) demonstrating standard spelling;
  - e) preparing a final copy following format guidelines

## **Required Textbooks**

Timmerman, John H. and D.R. Hettinga. *In the World: Reading and Writing as a Christian*. 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. Baker Books, 2004. ISBN 9780801027536

Criswell College Style Guide (available online)

Turabian, Kate L. *A Manual for Writers*. 9<sup>th</sup> edition. University of Chicago Press, 2007. ISBN: 9780226430607 Hudson, Robert. *The Christian Writer's Manual of Style*. Zondervan, 2019. ISBN 9780310861362

## **Recommended Reading**

Vyhmeister, Nancy and Terry Dwain Robertson. *Quality Research Papers*. 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. Zondervan, 2017. ISBN 9780310514022

Solganick, Harvey. *Creating Christian Constructive Critical Consciousness*. Lifeway Word search Academic Press, 2018. London Press, 2017 < <a href="https://www.franklinpublishing.net/londonpress.html">https://www.franklinpublishing.net/londonpress.html</a> .

< <a href="http://wordsearchacademic.com/">http://wordsearchacademic.com/</a>> (available online Canvas file)

Beitler, James E. Seasoned Speech: Rhetoric in the Life of the Church. Grand Rapids: InterVarsity Press, 2019. ISBN: 9780830852444

## **Course Requirements and Assignments**

4 Reading Evaluation Essays = 30%

1 Critical Thinking Essay (Argumentation)=20%

10 Grammar, Mechanics, Format for Research Reviews=10%

1 Research Paper Proposal Plan Essay =10%

1 8-12 page of text Research Paper= 20%

1 Attendance/Participation = 10%

Note: 10 % per class absence will be deducted from the attendance/participation grade as well as 10% per assignment late or make-up work per class. No work will be accepted as make-up or late work after the last class date. I evaluate on the point system (0—25 points) using the following rubric:

Content 25%
Development 25%
Organization, Logic, Critical Thinking 25%
Grammar, Mechanics, Format 25%

## **Course/Classroom Policies and Information**

To successfully complete this course, the student will

- 1. Participate actively in class activities, discussions, and workshops.
- 2. Be present to attain workshop/planning/deconstructing activities.
- 3. Attend class with required text, all necessary supplies, and completed assignments.
- 4. Adhere to assignments' due dates and times.
- 5. Understand that no late work is accepted, unless approved by the instructor.
- 6. Study and refer to all notes and work completed for the course.

## **Course Policy on Electronic Devices**

Use of all cellular and other distracting electronic devices during class is discouraged unless for classroom business. The professor reserves the right to dismiss students for the remainder of the class session if a phone or other device is used. No credit will be given for attendance if a student is removed consequently for violating this policy.

#### **Class Attendance**

Students are responsible for enrolling in courses for which they anticipate being able to attend every class session on the day and time appearing on course schedules, and then making every effort to do so. When unavoidable situations result in absence or tardiness, students are responsible for acquiring any information missed. Professors are not obliged to allow students to make up missed work. Per their independent discretion, individual professors may determine how attendance affects students' ability to meet course learning objectives and whether attendance affects course grades.

## **Grading Scale**

Α	93-100	4.0 grade points per semester hour
A-	90-92	3.7 grade points per semester hour
B+	87-89	3.3 grade points per semester hour
В	83-86	3.0 grade points per semester hour
B-	80-82	2.7 grade points per semester hour
C+	77-79	2.3 grade points per semester hour
С	73-76	2.0 grade points per semester hour
C-	70-72	1.7 grade points per semester hour
D+	67-69	1.3 grade points per semester hour
D	63-66	1.0 grade point per semester hour
D-	60-62	0.7 grade points per semester hour
F	0-59	0.0 grade points per semester hour

#### **Incomplete Grades**

Students requesting a grade of Incomplete (I) must understand that incomplete grades may be given only upon approval of the faculty member involved. An "I" may be assigned only when a student is currently passing a course and in situations involving extended illness, serious injury, death in the family, or employment or government reassignment, not student neglect.

Students are responsible for contacting their professors prior to the end of the semester, plus filing the appropriate completed and approved academic request form with the Registrar's Office. The "I" must be removed (by completing the remaining course requirements) no later than 60 calendar days after the grade was assigned, or the "I" will become an "F."

#### **Academic Honesty**

Absolute truth is an essential belief and basis of behavior for those who believe in a God who cannot lie and forbids falsehood. Academic honesty is the application of the principle of truth in the classroom setting. Academic honesty includes the basic premise that all work submitted by students must be their own and any ideas derived or copied from elsewhere must be carefully documented.

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to:

- cheating of any kind,
- submitting, without proper approval, work originally prepared by the student for another course,
- plagiarism, which is the submitting of work prepared by someone else as if it were his own, and
- failing to credit sources properly in written work.

## **Institutional Email Policy**

All official college email communications to students enrolled in this course will be sent exclusively to students' institutional email accounts. Students are expected to check their student email accounts regularly and to respond in an appropriate and timely manner to all communications from faculty and administrative departments.

Students are permitted to setup automatic forwarding of emails from their student email accounts to one or more personal email accounts. The student is responsible to setup and maintain email forwarding without assistance from college staff. If a student chooses to use this forwarding option, he/she will continue to be responsible for responding appropriately to all communications from faculty and administrative departments of the college. Criswell College bears no responsibility for the use of emails that have been forwarded from student email accounts to other email accounts.

#### **Disabilities**

Criswell College recognizes and supports the standards set forth in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and similar state laws, which are designed to eliminate discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities. Criswell College is committed to making reasonable accommodations for qualifying students, faculty, and employees with disabilities as required by applicable laws. For more information, please contact the Student Services Office.

## **Intellectual Property Rights**

Unless otherwise specifically instructed in writing by the professor, students must neither materially nor digitally reproduce materials from any course offered by Criswell College for or with the significant possibility of distribution.

## **Resources and Support**

<u>Canvas and SONIS</u>: Criswell College uses Canvas as its web-based learning tool and SONIS for student data. Students needing assistance with Canvas should contact the Canvas Help Support line at (844) 358-6140. Tech support is available at this number, twenty-four hours a day. Students needing help with SONIS should contact the Campus Software Manager at <a href="mailto:studentscale.google.g

<u>Student Services:</u> The Student Services Office exists to foster and encourage success in all areas of life—physical, intellectual, spiritual, social, and emotional. Students are encouraged to reach out for assistance by contacting the office at 214.818.1332 or <u>studentservices@criswell.edu</u>. Pastoral and certified counseling services are also available to Criswell students. Appointments are scheduled through the Dean of Students, at <u>deanofstudents@criswell.edu</u>.

<u>Wallace Library</u>: Students can access academic resources and obtain research assistance by visiting the Wallace Library, which is located on campus. For more information, go to the library website, or email the Wallace Library at <u>library@criswell.edu</u>.

<u>Writing Center</u>: Students are encouraged to consult with writing tutors to improve and enhance their skills and confidence by practicing techniques of clear and effective writing. To consult with a tutor, students can visit the Writing Center located on the first floor near the Computer Lab, or they can schedule an appointment by emailing <u>writingcenter@criswell.edu</u> or calling 214.818.1373.

# Course Outline/Calendar Course Outline/Calendar

(Dates/assignments subject to change)

Week/Day	Topic/Activity	Assignment/s	Due
Week 1: Aug.20-22	<ul> <li>Syllabus</li> <li>Finding a Voice Workshop</li> <li>"Fathers" (272)/"Hail Mary" (277)</li> <li>Essay of Narration</li> <li>Share first drafts of Finding a Voice Workshop</li> <li>Writing in Detail Workshop</li> <li>Finish revising narratives for detail, showing rather than telling in at least one paragraph</li> <li>Be ready to share revisions next class</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Read pp. 9-87.</li> <li>□ Read "Epistle of Paul" (387)</li> <li>□ Be ready to discuss narrative/voice in "Epistle of Paul"</li> <li>□ Brainstorm narrative topics, thesis, outlining</li> </ul>	

Topic/Activity		Assigni	ment/s	Due
		٥	(347) Continue solidifying argument	
	- Sample formatted argument		Read "Moral Magic"	
Sept.17-19	- Criswell College Manual of Style		organization	
Week 5	- Plagiarism and Academic Honesty		pathos, logos, ethos,	
	- Share argument idea		counter arguments,	
	- Read/annotate "In Defense of Pain" (212)		considering claim,	
	- Arguments 2		Potter" (324),	
	Final Draft Narrative Due		Read "Why Read Harry	,
	- Persuasion/Discuss "The Age of Reason" (94)			
	- Organization			
	- Pathos/logos		caase, cricet.	
	- Counter arguments		cause/effect.	u33
Sept.10-12	- Claim		(212). Be ready to disc	
Week 4	<ul><li>Argument: Discuss "Costly Grace" (241)</li><li>Deconstruct</li></ul>		or two topics Read "In Defense of Pa	nin"
	- Developing Paragraphs Argument: Discuss "Costly Grace" (241)		ideas; narrow to top or	
	- Arguments 1		•	20
	- Discuss voice/narrative in "A Place to Stand"(129)		narrative Brainstorm argument	
	- Workshop Draft 2		Complete final draft of	
	Workshop Droft 2		Reason" (94)	:
			Read "The Age of	
			(241)	
,	- Workshop Draft 1		Read "Costly Grace"	
Sept.3-5	- Discuss narrative in "The Empty Manager" (254)		narrative/voice.	
Week 3:	- Tone		(129). Be ready to disc	uss
	- Transition			
	- Effective Writing Style		narrative	
	- Grammar Workshop: Pronouns/Antecedents		Complete second draft	of
Week 2: Aug.27-29			to discuss narrative/vo	
			Manger" (254) Be read	ly
	- Workshop intro paragraph		Read "The Empty	
	- Workshop planning narrative essays		Manual of Style (online	e)
	- Discuss voice in "Epistle of Paul" (387)		according to Criswell	
	rather than telling		of narrative, typed	
	- Share revisions of revising narratives for detail, showing		Complete full first draf	t

	Meet in Computer Lab		Create or finish outline	
	- Discuss elements of argument in "Harry Potter" (324) (347)		for argument	
	- Evaluating Sources Presentation		Acquire more sources, if	
	- Visit Wallace Library for orientation to using the Library		necessary	
Week	- Search for sources; complete at least 1 Source Evaluation		Evaluate additional	
6	Form		sources, as applicable	
Sept.	- Outline Workshop: analysis of how central claim is supported,		Write introduction, claim,	
24-26	organization, development, etc.		and first body paragraph	
			with integrated sources	
			of argument	
			Read "Compassionate	
			Action" (238)	
	- Discuss claims in "Compassionate Action" (238)		Revise and complete first	
Week	- Grammar Workshop: Avoiding Shifts		full draft	
7	- Workshop intro, claim, and first two paragraphs		Read "Christian Reader"	
Oct.			(317)	
1-3			Read "Christian	
			Artist"(306)	
	- Definition/Process/Exemplification		Completely revise for	
	- Discuss "Christian Reader" and "Writer" (317) (306)		final workshop argument	
Week	- Grammar Workshop: Commas, part 1		and definition paper	
8	- Workshop first completed draft		Read "Why get Married?"	
Oct.8-	- In class writing: Definition/Process/Exemplification Paper draft		(182)	
10			Read "The Living Word"	
			(358)	
			Read "Forgotten God"	
			(145)	
	Discuss "Why get Married?" (182),		Complete revised final	
	- "The Living Word" (358), and "Forgotten God" (145)		draft, argument	
Week	- Grammar Workshop: Commas, part 2		Complete revised final	
9	- Workshop second draft		draft, definition/process/	
Oct.15-	- In class writing: Definition/Process/Exemplification Paper final		or exemplification paper	
17	draft	Ш	Read "Good and	
			Evil"(175)	
			Read "Worldviews" (120)	
	Final Draft Argument Due/Final Draft		Read/annotate "Brute	
Week	Definition/Process/Exemplification due		Neighbors" (440)	
10	- Grammar Workshop: Commas, part 3 Comparison/Contrast	ш	Read "Natural Selection"	
Oct.22-	Presentation		(417)	
24	- Organizing Comparison/Contrast information	ш	Begin thinking about	
	- Discuss "Good and Evil" (175) and "Worldviews" (120)		possible topics to	
	- Workshop: Deconstructing "Two Views"		compare/contrast	

	-	Grammar Workshop: Commas, part 4	Read "Vitalism" (109)	
Week 11 Oct.29- 31	-	Discuss "Brute Neighbors" (440) and "Natural Selection" (417)	Read "Island" (207)	
	-	Q&A	Read "The Liberal Arts"	
	-	Essay of Division and Classification	(383)	
	-	Inductive and deductive critical thinking		
	-	Wholistic versus specialized evidence		
	-	Genus/Species/differentiation in linguistics and Rhetoric		

	Topic/Activity	Assignment/s	Due
Week 12 Nov.5-7	Comparison/Contrast  Discuss "Vitalism" (109)  "Island" (207)  "The Liberal Arts" (383)	□ Prepare thesis/outline/sources □ Read "Soul"(221) □ Read "Conversion" (201)	
Week 13 Nov.12- 14	Comparison/Contrast Brainstorm and plan Essay of Division/ Classification Discuss "Soul" (221) Discuss "Conversion" (201)	☐ Prepare first draft, Division/Classification Read "Shalom" (158)	
Week 14 Nov.19- 21	- Workshop first draft division/classification Discuss "Shalom" (158)	<ul> <li>□ Revise         division/classification         to second draft</li> <li>□ Use all workshopping         to prepare final draft</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>November 25-29 Fall Break</li> <li>November 28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday*</li> </ul>		
Week 15 Dec. 3- 5	<ul> <li>Division/Classification Essay Due</li> <li>Research Paper Proposal Plan Essay</li> </ul>		
Dec.10- 12 EXAMS	8-12 page of text Research Paper due		

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Solganick, Harvey. Lessons from C. S. Lewis: Becoming an Evangelical Apologetic Disciple for Christ. Archway Publishers, Division of Simon and Schuster, 2018. <a href="https://www.archwaypublishing.com/Bookstore/BookSearchResults.aspx?Search=solganick">https://www.archwaypublishing.com/Bookstore/BookSearchResults.aspx?Search=solganick></a>

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