

Odessa College
Humanities Division
Department of English and Foreign Languages

ENGL 1301.WB7 – Composition and Rhetoric Online
Instructor – Ms. Christy Henegar

Class Meeting: Web-based course

Course Hours: 3 credit hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 0370 passed with a “C” or better or a satisfactory placement score.

Catalog Description: Consists of the essentials of correctness and effectiveness in writing skills. Emphasizes reading and writing expository prose along with some research techniques. Requires expository essays and collateral readings. (Scans 1, 2, and 9). Lab fee required for English 1301 (Word Processing).

Textbooks: No Textbook is required for this course.

Learning Outcomes: After successful completion of this course the student should be able to:

1. Construct clear, interesting, rhetorically effective, and grammatically correct sentences, and demonstrate correct standard English usage and mechanics.
2. Focus and organize ideas as part of the complete writing process.
3. Write essays of 5-7 paragraphs, demonstrating basic roles of introduction, body, and conclusion.
4. Construct an effective thesis sentence that controls the essay.
5. Develop effective paragraphs, including introductions and conclusions, with variety of support and development.
6. Develop essays in a variety of rhetorical modes that best present a subject to a particular audience and achieve a particular purpose.
7. Read and think critically about assigned readings as well as the students’ own papers.
8. Submit word processed organized assignments in the correct, required format.

Method of Evaluation: See Instructor Information Sheet for specific details concerning the method of evaluation.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Course participation | 5% |
| Essays three to five assigned essays 3-4 pp each and other assignments | 50% |
| I-Search paper | 25% |
| Final exam / essay | <u>20%</u> |
| | 100% |

Attendance Policy: Regular attendance through participation and timely submission of your assignments as posted in the Content section of Blackboard is expected. It is **YOUR** responsibility to get the assignments and or information that you missed from class either by accessing Blackboard or taking initiative to contact me.

Plagiarism: Please refer to the Instructor Information Sheet concerning this policy.

Student Assistance and Academic Support: Odessa College offers free tutoring services through the Student Learning Center which is located on the 1st floor of the LRC. Online instruction is also available. It is each student's responsibility to seek assistance if needed. You may call (432) 335-6878 or drop by. Be sure to take your book, notes and the assignment if seeking help from the tutors so that the complete information is available.

ADA Policy: Odessa College complies with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title 2 of the American with Disabilities Act of 1990. I must have official documentation from Odessa College concerning your disability and the needed accommodations. To obtain this documentation, and to seek further services available through Odessa College, please contact

Course Competencies:

1. At least four to five major essays throughout the entire semester as assigned.
2. Readings throughout the semester of various types of essays in text and/or provided materials.
3. One writing project in a research format which may involve an oral presentation of a summary of the material presented.
4. Grammar work which may include assignments given through the class or may be focused on the individual performance of students on their essays. Those needing additional assistance should seek tutoring services through the college.
5. A 2 ½ hour final examination which contains both objective material and an essay. The Final Exam will carry more weight than any single normal, daily grade but not more than 20% of the course grade.
6. All writing assignments must be computer generated and submitted via the methods instructed for the online course; hand written work will not be accepted.

Course Outline:

The Assignment Due Date document provided in the Information section will show you the lessons and when they are due (normally two per week). Be sure to login and follow any announced updates in the Blackboard section of the course to stay on track. Be sure to contact the instructor concerning any questions, changes or discrepancies. As the instructor, I reserve the right to adjust this schedule as needed during the progression of the course this semester. IF changes to the schedule are made, an announcement will be posted.