Syllabus ETWR 1302

Course Syllabus

Department: Occupational Safety & Health Technology
Course Title: ETWR 1302: Introduction to Technical Writing
Section Name: Web. 2
Start Date: January 17, 2012
End Date: March 9, 2012
Modality: Online
Credits: Three

Instructor Information
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Course Objectives: This course is designed to serve as a comprehensive review of the principles used in writing the English language.

Prerequisites/Corequisites: None.

Scans: 2, 6, 9

Required Readings/Materials:

Web Access:

Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments):

Assignment 1: Due January 19, 2012
Assignment 2: Due January 23, 2012
Assignment 3: Due January 25, 2012
Assignment 4: Due January 27, 2012
Assignment 5: Due January 31, 2012
Assignment 6: Due February 2, 2012
Assignment 7: Due February 7, 2012
Assignment 8: Due February 9, 2012
Assignment 9: Due February 14, 2012
Assignment 10: Due February 16, 2012
Assignment 11: Due February 21, 2012
Assignment 12: Due February 23, 2012
Assignment 13: Due February 28, 2012
Assignment 14: Due March 1, 2012
Assignment 15: Due March 6, 2012
Assignment 16: Due March 8, 2012

Grading Policy
All assignments are due on the due date unless specific permission has been given to turn in a late assignment. This permission can only be granted BEFORE the due date. Late assignments will be graded down one (1) point per day until received by me.
The two intermediate exams will each count 10 percent of your grade.
The final exam will count 10 percent of your grade.
Completion of the assignments and discussions (if any) will count 70 percent of your grade. No assignment is complete until you are satisfied with your grade or the end of the semester arrives. You may resubmit any homework assignment or exam if you are dissatisfied with the outcome. The purpose of this class is for you to become a proficient writer. Practice, practice, and more practice is what it takes to write proficiently.

Special Needs
Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432-335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

Learning Resource Center (Library)
The Library, known as the Learning Resources Center, provides research assistance via the LRC's catalog (print books, videos, e-books) and databases (journal and magazine articles). Research guides covering specific subject areas, tutorials, and the "Ask a Librarian" service provide additional help.

Student E-mail
Please access your Odessa College Student E-mail, by following the link to either set up or update your account: http://www.odessa.edu/gmail/. All assignments or correspondence will be submitted using your Odessa College email.

Technical Support
For Blackboard username and password help and for help accessing your online course availability abd student email account contact the Student Success Center at 432-335-6878 or online at https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm.

Important School Policies
For information regarding student support services, academic dishonesty, disciplinary actions, special accommodations, or student's and instructors' right to academic freedom can be found in the Odessa College Student Handbook.