

Sample Syllabus

ENG 1101: College Composition I

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Course Description

College Composition I (ENG 1101) is designed to give you training and practice in developing literacy in academic English. In this course, you will read and analyze academic texts, and you will write about those texts with an analytical purpose. Multiple drafts are expected for each writing assignment.

Course Objectives

1. Students will learn that writing is a process that requires planning, drafting, revising, peer reviewing, and editing.
2. Students will be competent in reading and analyzing college-level texts.
3. Students will be competent in structuring essays appropriate for college courses, using standard English conventions.

2 Required Textbooks

Kennedy, X. J., Dorothy M. Kennedy, and Jane E. Aaron.

The Bedford Reader. 10th ed. Boston: Bedford, 2009.

Hacker, Diana. *A Writer's Reference*. 7th ed. Boston: Bedford, 2011.

Grading System

Your final grade will be based on the following:

- Take-home essays, including drafts = 60%
- In-class (timed) essays = 20%
- 3** • Attendance and participation = 10%
- Final exam = 10%

Schedule of Readings and Assignments

You are required to complete the assigned readings *before* each class. Major assignments are listed in **bold**.

4 *BR* = Reading assignments from *The Bedford Reader*

AWR = Reading assignments from *A Writer's Reference*

Week	Day	Class topics	Readings/ assignments due
1	Tu	Introduction to the course/syllabus	
	Th	In-class diagnostic essay	
2	Tu	Writing description essays	<i>BR</i> : pages 137-83 5 <i>AWR</i> : C1 and C2
	Th	Essay 1 workshop (focus on global revisions)	Essay 1, draft 1 due <i>AWR</i> : C3-a and C3-b
3	Tu	Essay 1 workshop (focus on editing)	Essay 1, draft 2 due <i>AWR</i> : C3-c
	Th	Strategies for taking essay tests	Essay 1 final draft due 6

- 1** Instructors want to talk to their students. Often they list contact information and office hours on the course syllabus.
- 2** A syllabus often includes a list of materials to purchase.
- 3** Most instructors expect students to participate in class. Participation is often part of the final grade.
- 4** Abbreviations used in the schedule are explained.
- 5** Readings for each class are listed in the right-hand column.
- 6** Major deadlines are listed in bold.