

Hagerstown Community College
OFFICIAL COURSE SYLLABUS DOCUMENT

COURSE: ESL-099, ESL Writing Essentials, 3 credits

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is designed for students whose native language is not English. Instruction includes integration of reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Emphasis is on developing reading comprehension suitable for American college freshman-level courses. Instruction focuses on developing reading strategies to enhance comprehension, recall, analysis of texts and academic vocabulary. Writing instruction emphasizes paragraphs and short essays that are unified, coherent, and fully developed. Students placed into this course are required to utilize online learning tools and/or skills lab for additional instruction, homework, and skill- building exercises and may be required to meet with instructors or tutors outside of normally scheduled class times. Prerequisite: Successful completion of ENG/ESL-098 and/or appropriate score on placement test and/or writing sample. Semesters offered: Fall, Spring, Summer 3 Credits.

TEXTBOOK: This is a workbook and cannot be returned for resale.

- Boardman, Cynthia A. and Jia Frydenberg. Writing to Communicate 2: Paragraphs and Essays. 3rd ed. White Plains: Pearson Education, 2008. Print.
- Required Reading: fiction novel as assigned by instructor
- Software (packaged with textbook): My Writing Lab Stand Alone Student Access Card (12- month access)

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Increase reading fluency and comprehension
- Demonstrate awareness of process writing and develop academic writing ability
- Improve and advance sentence-level skills
- Employ critical thinking skills to thoroughly develop and support ideas

CREDIT HOUR REQUIREMENT: 120 hours

ReadingPlus: 30 hours

MyWritingLab: 30 hours

Writing Assignments: 18 hours

Lecture/Instructor Assignments: 37.5 hours

Final Assessments: 4.5 hours