



Grande Prairie Regional College

School of Business

Department: Academic Upgrading

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2006

EN 0080/90 5 (5-0-0) HS Basic English 11

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or by appointment

Prerequisite(s)/Corequisite(s):

EN0060 or appropriate English placement test score

Corequisites: LL0080/LL0090

Required Text/Resource Materials:

Building English Skills – Red Level [available in GPRC Bookstore]

EN 0080 En0090 [available in GPRC Bookstore]

Dictionary

Supplies Recommended:

Pens, pencil, loose leaf, binder (2"+), computer paper, dividers

Description:

EN 0080: This course is for students expecting to continue into courses requiring high school level competency in writing skills. The course content varies with the needs of each student (for grades 7-9 reading and writing levels).

EN 0090: This course is a continuation of EN0080 for students expecting to continue into courses requiring high school level competency in writing skills. The course content varies with the needs of each student.

Delivery Mode(s):

Students will work through a series of readings, exercises and a computer assisted learning program with help as required from the instructor.

Credit/Contact Hours:

Seventy-five hours or 5 hours per week

Objectives:

This course aims to provide each student with the skills to understand and appreciate language and to use it confidently and competently for a range of purposes. Students will explore thoughts, ideas, feelings and experiences and consider diverse opinions, while acknowledging the value of the ideas and opinions of others. Students will identify and trace the development of arguments, opinions or points of view in oral, print and/or other media. Students will summarize major ideas and supporting details, enhancing the clarity and artistry of communication by revising, and adding words and phrases that emphasize important ideas or create dominant impressions. Students will be encouraged to respect, support and collaborate with others.

Grading Criteria:

After the successful completion of all readings, exercises, assignments, midterm and final test as outlined, the student will receive a mark of **CR** or credit. Failure to complete will result in a mark of **NC** or no credit.

Instructor Policy:

All assignments and exercises for this course are to be submitted in the required format. Attendance is essential and is a critical component for success in this class. If you are experiencing difficulty in any area, please let me know so we can work something out before it is too late. Please advise me of any medical alerts that I should be aware of. It is the student's responsibility to acquire and complete any work missed due to absence.

Statement on Plagiarism:

The instructor reserves the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services.

Course Sequence of Activities for EN0080:

Module One: Writing to Communicate.

Red Book pp. 6-17: Building Your Vocabulary.

Module Two: Sentences in Writing.

Red Book pp. 69-82: Parts of a Sentence.

Module Three: Developing Good Paragraphs.

Red Book pp. 149-156: Capitalization.

PLATO: Proper nouns and capitals; Titles and Capital Letters.

Module Four: Developing Paragraphs Using Examples and Facts.

Red Book pp. 173-181: Spelling.

PLATO: Spelling Rules; More Spelling Rules.

Module Five: Developing Paragraphs Using Description.

MIDTERM EXAM: The midterm should be written by October 20th. A mark of 60% or more is required to proceed.

Red Book pp. 157-172: Punctuation.

PLATO: The Basics of Punctuation; Commas; Colons and Semicolons.

Module Six: Developing Paragraphs Using Incidents and Reasons.

Red Book pp. 83-101: Using Verbs.

Red Book pp. 102-110 Using Nouns.

Module Seven: Exposition.

FINAL EXAM: a mark of 50% or more is required to receive credit in EN0080.

Final Exams will be scheduled December 11-20.

Course Sequence of Activities for EN0090:

Red Book pp. 111-118: Using Pronouns.

PLATO: Pronoun Review:
Making Nouns & Pronouns Agree in Sentences;
Making Nouns & Pronouns Agree Review

Red Book pp. 119-124 Using Adjectives.

PLATO: Recognizing Adjectives: More about Adjectives.

Module Eight: Narration.

Red Book pp. 125-128: Using Adverbs.

Red Book pp. 129-138: Using Prepositions and Conjunctions.

Module Nine: Sentence Combining.

Red Book pp. 139-143: Compound Sentences.

PLATO: Compound Sentences: One Way to Link Ideas.

MIDTERM EXAM: a mark of 60% or more is required to proceed.

Red Book pp. 144-148: Making Subjects and Verbs Agree.

PLATO: A Subject and Its Verb Must Agree.

Module Ten: Writing to Summarize.

Module Eleven: Fiction.

Module Twelve: Writing to Compare and Contrast.

FINAL EXAM: a mark of 50% or more is required to receive credit in EN0090.

Examinations: Final Exams will be scheduled December 11-20.