Course Description: This course focuses on the writing process. Course topics include inventing, drafting, revising, and editing multi-paragraph papers. Other course topics include building reading skills, using resources, developing thinking skills, and improving attitudes toward writing. A learning lab is available to provide additional assistance.

Course Pre-requisites: by test

Student Learning Outcomes: Upon successful completion of this course, students will:
1. Compose a variety of texts that demonstrate clear focus, the logical development of ideas, and the use of appropriate language that advances the writer’s purpose.
2. Determine and use effective approaches and rhetorical strategies for given writing situations.
3. Generate ideas and gather information relevant to the topic and purpose, incorporating the ideas and words of other writers in student writing using established strategies.
4. Evaluate relevance and quality of ideas and information to formulate and develop a claim.
5. Develop and use effective revision strategies to strengthen the writer’s ability to compose college-level writing assignments.
6. Edit writing to conform to the conventions of standard English.

Course Outline: This will be handed out separately and is subject to change.

Evaluation Procedures: This class is pass/fail based on attendance and participation.

Instructor Attendance Policy: Students are expected to attend all classes. Students have the responsibility to attend class and to consult with the instructor when an absence occurs. If for some reason you must leave
class early, you should inform the instructor prior to the start of class of your reason for leaving early.
Punctual attendance at every class is a necessity. If you arrive late, leave early, or leave class for more than
5 minutes, you will be marked absent. If it is absolutely necessary to miss class, it is your responsibility to find
out what you missed and come to the next class **fully prepared, with all assignments complete.** If
homework has been assigned and you haven’t done it, you may not be permitted to attend class. Because of
the strict policy on late/make-up work, absence will almost certainly affect your grade.

_Students must begin attendance in all classes of enrollment. No exceptions. Financial Aid will not be
granted to students who have been certified as not attending, by the certification date. For this lecture
course, your physical participation in class, on or before the certification date will allow you to receive credit
for FA purposes. For certification dates, check with the division or FAO for further information. Students,
who are not certified as beginning class, are responsible for any payments due as a result of non-
certification, to include the dropping of courses._

**College Sponsored Events:** The instructor must be informed ahead of time if you need to miss class for
**participation** in a college-sponsored event. Attendance at that event does NOT excuse you from
responsibility for work done and/or homework assigned.

**Electronic Devices:** If any electronic device interferes with your complete attention to this class, you will be
dismissed from this class. Set phones to SILENT during class time. If you are off-task on the computers, you
will be dismissed from class.

**The withdraw date for this class is Thursday, April 16.**

**Academic Dishonesty:** Students that caught plagiarizing an assignment will be subject to an “F” in the
course and possible expulsion from the college.

_Academic honesty is expected, and integrity is valued in the Dallas County Community Colleges. Scholastic
dishonesty is a violation of the Code of Student Conduct. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited
to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. As a college student, you are considered a responsible
adult. Your enrollment indicates acceptance of the DCCCD Code of Student Conduct published in the
DCCCD Catalog. More information is available at https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/ss/code.cfm._

**Institution Policies:** Please visit
complete list of institutional policies (Stop Before You Drop; Withdrawal Policy; Repeating a Course; Financial
Aid; Academic Dishonesty; Americans with Disabilities Act Statement; Religious Holidays; and Campus
Emergency Operation Plan and Contingency Plan.).

**Course Calendar**

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