Dakota College at Bottineau Course Syllabus

Course Prefix/Number/Title:
ASC 88: Composition I: Writing Lab
1 Credit

Course Description:
Composition 110: writing lab is a companion course to Composition I that provides additional time and help for students in drafting and revising skills.

Pre-requisite:
Placement in Composition 110 with a score of 14 or above on the ACT.

Course Objectives:
To improve skills in structuring paragraphs and essays
To use writing and revising strategies to produce short essays.
To edit all final drafts, eliminating all grammatical and typing errors.

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Office Hours:
Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00 to 11:00
Monday-Friday: 9:00 to 10:00

Lecture/Lab Schedule:
Thursday: 1:00 to 1:50

Textbooks:

Course Requirements:
Students will work in class to improve drafting revising and grammar skills.
Grading will be based on in class activities, worksheet scores, written work, and the pretest-posttest scores.
General Education Goals/Objectives:

**Goal 4: Demonstrates effective communication**
- Objective 1: Expresses ideas through effective writing
- Objective 4: Works collaboratively with others

Relationship to Campus Theme:
Students will expand their communication skills which is an essential element of their human nature.

Classroom Policies: Grading

- Weekly check list
- Written assignments
- Worksheet scores
- Pretest/posttest improvement

Academic Integrity:
All assignments, tests, and quizzes will meet the standards of accepted Academic Integrity.

Disabilities and Special Needs:
Students with disabilities or special needs must inform the instructor of those needs as soon as possible.

Student Email Policy
Dakota College at Bottineau is increasingly dependent upon email as an official form of communication. A student’s campus-assigned email address will be the only one recognized by the campus for official mailings. The liability for missing or not acting upon important information conveyed via campus email rests with the student.

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Syllabus:

August 28
Introduce Class
Basic sentence Structure Worksheet

September 4
Revise Persuasive Paragraphs
Sentence boundary worksheet

September 11
Revise Descriptive paragraphs
Pronoun case worksheet
September 18
Develop thesis statement for the first paper
Verbs: Tense and mood
Verbs: Active and passive voice

September 25
Revise first paper
Grammatical Sentences: Verbs Adjective and Adverbs

October 2
Revise first paper

October 9
Thesis statement for the second paper
Review for the midterm

October 16
Revise Classification Paragraph
Worksheet Commas: restrictive vs. Non-restrictive

October 23
Revise second paper

October 30
Revise second paper

November 6
Brainstorm topics for the final paper
Effective sentences worksheet

November 13
Thesis statement for the third paper

November 20
Draft third paper
Worksheet: Diction

December 4
Revise final paper
Review for Final

December 11
Review for Final