



Course Prefix/Number/Title: **ASC 87 College Writing Prep**

Course Description: A pre-college writing course that prepares students for ENGL 110/College Composition. Provides instruction in writing error free sentences, solid paragraphs and well-organized essays.

Pre-/Co-requisites: None

Course Objectives:

1. To provide an understanding of the value for students to read college-level writings.
2. To enable students, through classroom discussion and various writing applications, to apply sound processes for producing original academic papers and organized paragraphs.
3. To acquaint students with team collaboration through peer editing processes.
4. To explore and prepare topics for ENGL 110 papers.
5. Prepare for ENGL 110 level writing.

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Lecture/Lab Schedule: M/W/F 9-9:50, Thatcher 2212

*There will be no class on days the college is closed

Textbook(s): None

Course Requirements: Computer Access-Internet Access

A 90% and above **B** 80-89% **C** 70-79% **D** 60-69% **F** Below 60%

Tentative Course Outline:

Week 1: Syllabus Review, Assessment Exercise, Personal Introduction

Week 2: Writing Process, Paragraph and Topic

Weeks 3 and 4: Writing Techniques, Unity and Cohesion

Weeks 5 and 6: Remembered Event Essay

Week 7 Essay Questions, Midterm Review

Week 8: MIDTERM, thesis statements, supporting material

Week 9: MLA Citation and Plagiarism

Weeks 10 and 11: Quoting, Paraphrasing, Summarizing

Weeks 12 and 13: Research and Writing a Profile

Weeks 14 and 15: Explaining a Concept, review for Final, Assessment Exercise

Week 16: FINALS WEEK ** FINAL TIME TBD

General Education Competency/Learning Outcome(s) OR CTE Competency/Department Learning Outcome(s):

Competency/Goal 4: Communicates effectively

Learning Outcome 1: Write effectively ·

Performance Indicator 1: Uses the stages of the writing process to develop, organize, and present ideas in writing ·

Performance Indicator 2: Recognizes the demands and possible strategies of a writing task, based on topic, purpose, context, and audience. ·

Performance Indicator 3: Demonstrates competent writing that includes a clear, original thesis or claim, appropriate evidence and support, a logical structure, and a style of language that serves the writer's purpose and audience. ·

Performance Indicator 4: Uses Edited Standard Written English in spelling, grammar, punctuation, and syntax, and presents written work in a style and format consistent with the demands of an academic setting.

Learning Outcome 2: Reads at a level that allows participation in collegiate studies and chosen careers ·

Performance Indicator 1: Understands the structure and organization of written work ·

Performance Indicator 2: Recognizes an author's thesis and forms of support ·

Performance Indicator 3: Evaluates the effectiveness and validity of an author's style, organization, support, evidence, and presentation. ·

Performance Indicator 4: Recognizes the connection style and language have to an author's topic, audience, context, and purpose ·

Performance Indicator 5: Synthesizes information and ideas from multiple sources

Learning Outcome 3: Integrates information sources effectively ·

Performance Indicator 1: Finds a variety of information resources ·

Performance Indicator 2: Evaluates the relevance and reliability of sources ·

Performance Indicator 3: Uses information resources ethically and honestly, preserving the meaning of the source and documenting the use of the source in the style appropriate for the student's discipline or field ·

Performance Indicator 4: Synthesizes information effectively in the student's own text

Learning Outcome 4: Collaborates with others ·

Performance Indicator 1: Participates in class discussions and in any group projects and activities ·

Performance Indicator 2: Participates in class discussions, peer editing, and group activities or projects, responding productively and respectfully to the work and ideas of others and considering the ideas and suggestions of others.

Learning Outcome 5: Demonstrates effective oral communication skills ·

Performance Indicator 1: Produces original content ·

Performance Indicator 2: Adapts to a variety of speaking and listening situations ·

Performance Indicator 3: Uses volume, eye contact, rate of pronunciation, articulation, and gesticulation effectively ·

Performance Indicator 4: Uses listening skills to critique, evaluate, and/or assess oral communication

Relationship to Campus Focus:

Students will read and discuss model essays and online articles related to nature, technology, and beyond while connecting technosphere and biosphere issues

Classroom Policies: Attendance is necessary for success. The syllabus is subject to change and any changes will be addressed in class. Many assignments will be explained and completed during class. If its necessary to miss a class, please let me know either before the missed class session, or immediately upon return. Cell phones are permitted, but please be respectful of others. No phones out during class lecture or discussion.

All essays must follow MLA8 guidelines.

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.

Academic Integrity:

According to the DCB Student Handbook, students are responsible for submitting their own work. Students who cooperate on oral or written examinations or work without authorization share the responsibility for violation of academic principles, and the students are subject to disciplinary action even when one of the students is not enrolled in the course where the violation occurred. The Code detailed in the Academic Honesty/Dishonesty section of the Student Handbook will serve as the guideline for cases where cheating, plagiarism or other academic improprieties have occurred.

Disabilities or Special Needs:

Students with disabilities or special needs (academic or otherwise) are encouraged to contact the instructor and Disability Support Services.

Title IX:

Dakota College at Bottineau (DCB) faculty are committed to helping create a safe learning environment for all students and for the College as a whole. Please be aware that all DCB employees (other than those designated as confidential resources such as advocates, counselors, clergy and healthcare providers) are required to report information about such discrimination and harassment to the College Title IX Coordinator. This means that if a student tells a faculty member about a situation of sexual harassment or sexual violence, or other related misconduct, the faculty member must share that information with the College's Title IX Coordinator. Students wishing to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility can find a list of resources on the DCB Title IX webpage.