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COURSE SYLLABUS COLLIN COLLEGE

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Number: ENGL 1301.WS1

Course Title: Composition I

Course Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Lab Hour: 1

Placement Assessments: Placement in ENGL 1301; College-Level Reading

Course Description: Intensive study of and practice in writing processes, from invention and researching to drafting, revising, and editing, both individually and collaboratively. Emphasis on effective rhetorical choices, including audience, purpose, arrangement, and style. Focus on writing the academic essay as a vehicle for learning, communicating, and critical analysis. Lab required.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- State-mandated Outcomes: Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of individual and collaborative writing processes. (Teamwork, Communication Skills)
2. Develop ideas with appropriate support and attribution. (Communication Skills)
3. Write in a style appropriate to audience and purpose. (Communication Skills)
4. Read, reflect, and respond critically to a variety of texts. (Critical Thinking)
5. Use Edited American English in academic essays.

- Additional Collin Outcome: Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to do the following:

1. Demonstrate personal responsibility through the ethical use of intellectual property. (Personal Responsibility)

Important College Dates:

Census Date: 9/10

Withdraw Date: 10/19

Thanksgiving Break: 11/21-11/25

Final Exams: 12/10-12/16

Grades Due in CougarWeb: 12/17, 11:00pm

If you register late for this course, you will not be able to make up any assignments.

College Repeat Policy: Beginning fall 2016, Texas residents attempting a course more than twice at Collin College are subject to regular tuition plus an additional \$50 per semester credit hour.

Plagiarism: See the current *Collin Student Handbook*. As your instructor, I am asked to report suspected cases of plagiarism, collusion, and/or any scholastic dishonesty to the Dean of Students at Collin College. I will withhold a grade until your case is reviewed. All plagiarized assignments will receive a grade of a 0, and the student can possibly fail the course.

Religious Holy Days: Refer to the *Collin Student Handbook*.

Americans with Disabilities Act: Collin College will adhere to all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to contact the ACCESS office, SCC-D140 or 972.881.5898 (V/TTD: 972.881.5950) to arrange for appropriate accommodations. See the current *Collin Student Handbook* for additional information.

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

Instructor's Name: Kelly Martin, Ph.D.

Office Number: B-105 at Spring Creek Campus (inside B-104 suite)

Office Hours: Refer to Meeting Times "section"

Phone Number: 972-516-5050 (email instead of leaving voicemail)

Email: kmartin@collin.edu [Preferred method of contact is Canvas email] Emails will USUALLY be addressed within 24 hrs. (except on weekends)

Minimum Technology Requirements: Familiarity with Microsoft Word (or equivalent program) and ability to perform basic Internet research; Internet-connected computer with appropriate hardware and software for listening to audio files and viewing online videos.

Class Etiquette & Discussion Board Participation Requirements: Refer to rubric uploaded in Canvas. Discussion posts and replies are graded.

Supplies: Textbook—refer to next page.

Attendance Policy: No late assignments are accepted. Technological difficulties are not excuses for late work, which is why you should not wait until the last minute to start and/or submit an assignment.

Meeting Times: Online **ONLY**, synchronous meetings using the online, free platform, Zoom. Contact instructor to arrange date/time for a meeting.

Method of Evaluation:

Course grades will be based on a 1,000-point scale.

1000-900 points=A

899-800 points=B

799-700=C

699-600=D

599 and below=F

Assignments & Points*:

---Lab exercises (4 x 18.5 pts. each): 74 points total

---Grammar Quizzes** (19 x 36 pts. each): 684 points total

---Discussion Assignments (11 x 22 pts. each): 242 points total

*Some assignments will be due on Saturday or Sunday, but you can always work ahead.


















**Practice Exercises are included in Canvas, and graded quizzes are untimed, BUT you will only have one try to complete a graded quiz—no makeups or redo's.

























Required Textbook:

The Little Brown Handbook (14th edition)—**HAS TO BE THIS EDITION**; you should be able to rent a digital version via the College bookstore or the publisher's site, Pearson.

****Grades for assignments not automatically graded by Canvas will be posted USUALLY within a week or less of due date.

Course Schedule (subject to change) on next page.

Date	Details	
Fri Aug 31, 2018	 E.C. Canvas Orientation Quiz	due by 11:59pm
	 E.C. Course Policies Quiz	due by 11:59pm
Tue Sep 4, 2018	 Test your Knowledge Part I	due by 11:59pm
Wed Sep 5, 2018	 E.C. Pic.	due by 12pm
	 Test your Knowledge Part II	due by 11:59pm
Thu Sep 6, 2018	 Discussion: Self Intro. & Writing Concerns	due by 11:59pm
Sat Sep 8, 2018	 Discussion: Film Scene Analysis (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Sep 12, 2018	 Quiz: Commas 1 (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Sat Sep 15, 2018	 Quiz: Commas 2 (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Sep 17, 2018	 Quiz: Commas 3 (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Thu Sep 20, 2018	 Discussion: Article Analysis (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Sep 24, 2018	 Discussion: Social Media (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Tue Sep 25, 2018	 Quiz: Semicolons (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Sep 26, 2018	 Quiz: Colons & Semicolons (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Thu Sep 27, 2018	 Discussion: (Future) Career Writing & Communication (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Sat Sep 29, 2018	 Quiz: Apostrophes in Possessives (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Tue Oct 2, 2018	 Quiz: Apostrophes, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm

Fri Oct 5, 2018	 Quiz: Fragments, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Oct 8, 2018	 Quiz: Comma Splices and Fused Sentences, editing for (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Oct 10, 2018	 Discussion: Grey Area of Language--Murder or Self Defense? (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 12, 2018	 Quiz: Quotation Marks (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Oct 15, 2018	 Quiz: Quotation Marks, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Oct 17, 2018	 Discussion: Free Speech Allowed? (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Oct 19, 2018	 Quiz: Appropriate Word Choice, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Oct 22, 2018	 Discussion: Moral Relativism (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Thu Oct 25, 2018	 Quiz: Unnecessary Words, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Oct 29, 2018	 Quiz: Words & Voice (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Oct 31, 2018	 Quiz: Precise Words (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Sat Nov 3, 2018	 Discussion: Writing-Essay Concerns (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Nov 7, 2018	 Quiz: Opening and Closing Paragraphs, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Nov 12, 2018	 Quiz: Thesis Statements (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Nov 14, 2018	 Discussion: Education/Information or Indoctrination/Persuasion?	due by 11:59pm
Mon Nov 19, 2018	 Quiz: Paragraph Flow, paragraph editing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Mon Nov 26, 2018	 Discussion: Socrates Cafe (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Wed Nov 28, 2018	 Quiz: MLA (graded & use the Handbook)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Nov 30, 2018	 Quiz: Identifying Common Knowledge (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Tue Dec 4, 2018	 Quiz: Plagiarism & Paraphrasing (graded)	due by 11:59pm
Fri Dec 7, 2018	 Lab: College Writing Center (online OR onsite)	due by 11:59pm
	 Lab: NetTutor (white left menu bar)	due by 11:59pm
Tue Dec 11, 2018	 EC Option #1 (submit)	due by 11:59pm
	 EC Option #2 (submit)	due by 11:59pm
