

Course delivery with respect to the COVID-19 pandemic

Although the intent is for this course to be delivered in-person, the changing COVID-19 landscape may necessitate some or all of the course to be delivered online, either synchronously (i.e., at the times indicated in the timetable) or asynchronously (e.g., posted on OWL for students to view at their convenience). The grading scheme will not change. Any assessments affected will be conducted online as determined by the course instructor.

Writing 1021G Section 552: Basic Academic Writing for Multilingual Students

Winter Term 2022

Wednesdays: 1:30-2:30

Fridays: 1:30-3:30

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Location: Until January 31: Online

Beginning February 1: HC-W101

Office Hours: TBA

Pre-requisites: Writing 0011F/G, or instructor's permission

Antirequisites: Writing 1020F/G

Course Description & Learning Objectives

This course is designed for first-year Huron University multilingual and exchange students who have already completed Writing 0011F or G. The course continues to develop skills of planning and composing academic research projects and seeks to build confidence in writing skills through critical thinking, understanding complex vocabulary and attending to current shifts in what is considered *academic writing*. Developing the skills to produce effective academic written discourse is the main goal of this course, while incorporating students' own sense of their multilingual authorship. Readings that explore questions of cross-cultural identity will serve as the basis for writing assignments: summaries, reviews, annotated projects and a final research essay.

Required Text

Engkent, Lucia (2016)

Skill Set: Strategies for Reading and Writing in the Canadian Classroom, Third Edition. Toronto: Pearson Longman.

Grading

Critical Response 1	5%
Critical Response 2	5%
Critical Response 3	5%
Comprehensive Quiz	5%
Personal Statement	5%
Participation	10%
Summary	10%
Critical Review	15%
Thesis Proposal	5%
Annotated Bibliography	15%
Final Research Essay	20%

Schedule

Wednesdays

January 12 Reading: None Lecture: Introduction to the Course
January 19 Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 1: pp. 16-18</i> Lecture: Understanding the Writing Process
January 26 Reading: None Lecture: Logical Fallacies Assignment Due: Critical Response #1

Fridays

January 14 Reading: None Lecture: A Brief History of Writing
January 21 Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 1: pp 18-19</i> Lecture: Understanding Writing Evaluation
January 28 Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 6 pg. 183</i> In-class Exercise: Find the Fallacies

<p>February 2</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 2 pp. 38-41</i></p> <p>Lecture: Dealing with Unfamiliar Words and Understanding Collocation</p> <p>In-class Exercises: 2.9, 2.10, 2.11 <i>Skill Set Unit 2 pp. 40-42</i></p>	<p>February 4</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 8 pp. 245-248</i></p> <p>Lecture: The Summary</p> <p>In-class Exercise: 8.4 <i>Skill Set Unit 8 pp. 248-249</i></p>
<p>February 9</p> <p>Reading: None</p> <p>Lecture: The Personal Statement</p> <p>In-class Exercise: Improving or drafting your Personal Statement</p>	<p>February 11</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 3 pp. 80-85</i></p> <p>Lecture: Writing Noun, Adjective and Adverb Clauses</p> <p>In-class Exercises: 3.13 and 3.14 pp. 82-83</p> <p>Assignment Due: Critical Response #2</p>
<p>February 16</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 4 pp. 104-107</i></p> <p>Lecture: Writing Topic Sentences</p> <p>In-class Exercise: 4.1 <i>Skill Set Unit 4 pg. 105</i></p>	<p>February 18</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 4 pp. 110-112</i></p> <p>Lecture: Making Points and Supporting Them</p> <p>In-class Exercise: 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7 <i>Skill Set Unit 4 pp. 112-114</i></p> <p>Assignment Due: Summary</p>

<p>February 23</p> <p>Reading Week—no class</p>	<p>February 25</p> <p>Reading Week –no class</p>
<p>March 2</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 5 pp. 127-132</i></p> <p>Lecture: Essay Writing Skills and the Importance of Titles</p> <p>In-class Exercise: 5.1 <i>Skill Set Unit 5 pg. 136</i></p> <p>Assignment Due: Personal Statement</p>	<p>March 4</p> <p>Reading: None</p> <p>Lecture: The Critical Review</p> <p>Assignment Due: Critical Response #3</p>
<p>March 9</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 6 pp. 157-161</i></p> <p>Lecture: Explaining, Illustrating & Narrating</p> <p>In-class Exercise 6.1 <i>Skill Set Unit 6 p. 161-162</i></p>	<p>March 11</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 6 pp. 162-181</i></p> <p>Lecture: Describing, Defining, Classifying, Writing Cause & Effect, Making Comparisons</p>
<p>March 16</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 8 pp. 236-237</i></p> <p>Lecture: The Annotated Bibliography & Referencing Sources Correctly</p>	<p>March 18</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 8 pp. 238-243</i></p> <p>Lecture: Avoiding Plagiarism, Quoting and Paraphrasing</p> <p>In-class Exercises 8.1 and 8.2 <i>Skill Set Unit 8 p. 243</i></p> <p>Assignment Due: Critical Review</p>

<p>March 23</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 7 pp. 187-197</i></p> <p>Lecture: Effective Editing & Correcting Basics</p> <p>In-class Exercises: 7.1 and 7.2 <i>Skill Set Unit 7 pp. 198-199</i></p>	<p>March 25</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 7 pp. 200-205</i></p> <p>Lecture: Correcting Grammatical Errors & Correcting Pronoun Errors</p> <p>In-class Exercise: 7.3 and 7.4 <i>Skill Set Unit 7 p. 200</i></p> <p>Assignment Due: Annotated Bibliography</p>
<p>March 30</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 7 pp. 206-210</i></p> <p>Lecture: Distinguishing Between Countable and Uncountable Nouns</p> <p>In-class Exercise: 7.7 <i>Skill Set Unit 7 p. 210</i></p>	<p>April 1</p> <p>Reading: <i>Skill Set Unit 7 p. 222</i></p> <p>Lecture: Editing to Improve Style: Correcting Sentence Structure Problems</p> <p>In-class Exercises: 7.19, 7.20 and 7.21 <i>Skill Set pp. 223-224</i></p> <p>Assignment Due: Take Home/Open Book Quiz</p>
<p>April 6</p> <p>Reading: None</p> <p>Exercise: Making a Final Essay Checklist</p> <p>Lecture: Recent Research and Practical Applications of the Writing Process</p>	<p>April 8</p> <p>Lecture: Course Review</p> <p>Assignment Due: Final Research Paper</p>

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS—IMPORTANT. PLEASE READ!

Absences and Late Work

Students are expected to attend every class. Absences in class will affect the class participation mark, and may indirectly affect assignment marks, as much of the learning for this course occurs in the classroom—virtual or in-person. Late assignments will be evaluated minus 2% per day submitted after deadlines. Such assignments will only be marked if a valid argument for the late submission is presented. Non-medical absences will result in the forfeiting or reducing of the class participation mark worth 10% of the final grade. It is clearly to the student's advantage to attend class—attendance is expected and monitored.



Appendix to Course Outlines: Academic Policies & Regulations 2021 - 2022

Mandatory Use of Masks in Classrooms

Students will be expected to wear triple layer non-medical masks at all times in the classroom as per Huron policy and public health directives. Students are now permitted to drink water in class by lifting and replacing the mask each time a drink is taken. Students will be able to eat and drink outside of the classroom during scheduled breaks.

Students unwilling to wear a mask as stipulated by Huron policy and public health directives will be referred to the Dean's Office, and such actions will be considered a violation of the Huron Student Code of Conduct.

Pandemic Contingency

In the event of a COVID-19 resurgence during the course that necessitates the course delivery moving away from face-to-face interaction, all remaining course content will be delivered entirely online, typically using a combination of synchronous instruction (i.e., at the times indicated in the timetable) and asynchronous material (e.g., posted on OWL for students to view at their convenience). Any remaining

assessments will also be conducted online at the discretion of the course instructor. In the unlikely event that changes to the grading scheme are necessary, these changes will be clearly communicated as soon as possible.

Student Code of Conduct

Membership in the community of Huron University College and Western University implies acceptance by every student of the principle of respect for the rights, responsibilities, dignity and well-being of others and a readiness to support an environment conducive to the intellectual and personal growth of all who study, work and live within it. Upon registration, students assume the responsibilities that such registration entails. While in the physical or online classroom, students are expected to behave in a manner that supports the learning environment of others. Please review the Student Code of Conduct at: <https://huronatwestern.ca/sites/default/files/Res%20Life/Student%20Code%20of%20Conduct%20-%20Revised%20September%202019.pdf>.

Prerequisite and Antirequisite Information

Students are responsible for ensuring that they have successfully completed all course prerequisites and that they have not completed any course antirequisites. Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. This decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

Attendance Regulations for Examinations

A student is entitled to be examined in courses in which registration is maintained, subject to the following limitations:

- 1) A student may be debarred from writing the final examination for failure to maintain satisfactory academic standing throughout the year.
- 2) Any student who, in the opinion of the instructor, is absent too frequently from class or laboratory periods in any course will be reported to the Dean of the Faculty offering the course (after due warning has been given). On the recommendation of the Department concerned, and with the permission of the Dean of that Faculty, the student will be debarred from taking the regular examination in the course. The Dean of the Faculty offering the course will communicate that decision to the Dean of the Faculty of registration.

Review the policy on Attendance Regulations for Examinations here:

https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/exam/attendance.pdf.

Statement on Academic Offences

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following website:

https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.pdf. The

appeals process is also outlined in this policy as well as more generally at the following website:

https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/appealsundergrad.pdf.

Turnitin.com

All required papers may be subject to submission for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is subject to the licensing agreement, currently between The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com (<http://www.turnitin.com>).

Statement on Use of Electronic Devices

It is not appropriate to use electronic devices (such as, but not limited to, laptops, cell phones) in the classroom for non-classroom activities. Such activity is disruptive and distracting to other students and to the instructor, and can inhibit learning. Students are expected to respect the classroom environment and to refrain from inappropriate use of technology and other electronic devices in class.

Statement on Use of Personal Response Systems (“Clickers”)

Personal Response Systems (“clickers”) may be used in some classes. If clickers are to be used in a class, it is the responsibility of the student to ensure that the device is activated and functional. Students must see their instructor if they have any concerns about whether the clicker is malfunctioning. Students must use only their own clicker. If clicker records are used to compute a portion of the course grade:

- the use of somebody else’s clicker in class constitutes a scholastic offence
- the possession of a clicker belonging to another student will be interpreted as an attempt to commit a scholastic offence.

Academic Consideration for Missed Work

Students who are seeking academic consideration for missed work during the semester may submit a self-reported absence form online provided that the absence is **48 hours or less** and the other conditions specified in the Senate policy at

https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/accommodation_illness.pdf are met.

Students whose absences are expected to last **longer than 48 hours**, or where the other conditions detailed in the policy are not met (e.g., work is worth more than 30% of the final grade, the student has already used 2 self-reported absences, the absence is during the final exam period), may receive academic consideration by submitting a Student Medical Certificate (for illness) or other appropriate documentation (for compassionate grounds). The Student Medical Certificate is available online at https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/medicalform.pdf.

All students pursuing academic consideration, regardless of type, must contact their instructors no less than 24 hours following the end of the period of absence to clarify how they will be expected to fulfill the academic responsibilities missed during their absence. **Students are reminded that they should consider carefully the implications of postponing tests or midterm exams or delaying submission of work, and are encouraged to make appropriate decisions based on their specific circumstances.**

Students who have conditions for which academic accommodation is appropriate, such as disabilities or ongoing or chronic health conditions, should work with Accessible Education Services to determine appropriate forms of accommodation. Further details concerning policies and procedures may be found at: <http://academicsupport.uwo.ca/>.

Policy on Academic Consideration for a Medical/ Non-Medical Absence

(a) Consideration on Medical Grounds for assignments worth *less than 10%* of final grade: Consult Instructor Directly and Contact Academic Advising

When seeking consideration on **medical grounds** for assignments worth *less than 10%* of the final course grade, and if the student has exceeded the maximum number of permissible Self-Reported absences, the student should contact the instructor directly. The student need only share broad outlines of the medical situation. The instructor **may** require the student to submit documentation to the academic advisors, in which case she or he will advise the student and inform the academic advisors to expect documentation. If documentation is requested, the student will need to complete and submit the [Student Medical Certificate](#). The instructor may **not** collect medical documentation. The advisors will contact the instructor when the medical documentation is received, and will outline the severity and duration of the medical challenge as expressed on the Student Medical Certificate and in any other supporting documentation. The student will be informed that the instructor has been notified of the presence of medical documentation, and will be instructed to work as quickly as possible with the instructor on an agreement for accommodation.

(b) Consideration on Non-Medical Grounds: Consult Huron Support Services/Academic Advising, or email huronsss@uwo.ca.

Students seeking academic consideration for a **non-medical** absence (e.g. varsity sports, religious, compassionate, or bereavement) will be required to provide appropriate documentation where the conditions for a Self-Reported Absence have not been met, including where the student has exceeded the maximum number of permissible Self-Reported. All consideration requests must include a completed [Consideration Request Form](#). Late penalties may apply at the discretion of the instructor.

Please review the full policy on Academic Consideration for medical and non-medical absence at: https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/accommodation_illness.pdf. Consult [Huron Academic Advising](#) at huronsss@uwo.ca for any further questions or information.

Support Services

For advice on course selections, degree requirements, and for assistance with requests for medical accommodation, students should email an Academic Advisor in Huron's Student Support Services at huronsss@uwo.ca. An outline of the range of services offered is found on the Huron website at: <https://huronatwestern.ca/student-life/student-services/>.

Department Chairs, Program Directors and Coordinators are also able to answer questions about individual programs. Contact information can be found on the Huron website at: <https://huronatwestern.ca/contact/faculty-staff-directory/>.

If you think that you are too far behind to catch up or that your workload is not manageable, you should consult your Academic Advisor. If you are considering reducing your workload by dropping one or more courses, this must be done by the appropriate deadlines. Please refer to the Advising website, <https://huronatwestern.ca/student-life/student-services/academic-advising/> or review the list of official Sessional Dates on the Academic Calendar, available here: <http://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/SessionalDates.cfm>.

You should consult with the course instructor and the Academic Advisor who can help you consider alternatives to dropping one or more courses. Note that dropping a course may affect OSAP and/or Scholarship/Bursary eligibility.

Huron Student Support Services: <https://huronatwestern.ca/student-life/student-services/>

Office of the Registrar: <https://registrar.uwo.ca/>

Student Quick Reference Guide: <https://huronatwestern.ca/student-life/student-services/#1>

Academic Support & Engagement: <http://academicsupport.uwo.ca/>

Huron University College Student Council: <https://huronatwestern.ca/student-life/beyond-classroom/hucsc/>

Western USC: <http://westernusc.ca/your-services/#studentservices>

Mental Health & Wellness Support at Huron and Western

University students may encounter setbacks from time to time that can impact academic performance. Huron offers a variety of services that are here to support your success and wellbeing. Please visit <https://huronatwestern.ca/student-life-campus/student-services/wellness-safety> for more information or contact staff directly:

Wellness Services: huronwellness@huron.uwo.ca

Community Safety Office: safety@huron.uwo.ca

Chaplaincy: gthorne@huron.uwo.ca

Additional supports for Health and Wellness may be found and accessed at Western through, <https://www.uwo.ca/health/>.