Basic Course Information

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Class Dates:	Aug 14-Dec 8, 2017	Office Hours:	MW 9-10 AM; T 5-6 PM; R 10-11 AM
Class Days:	MW	Office Phone #:	760-355-6553
Class Times:	10:20 AM-12:25 PM	Emergency Contact:	760-355-6224
Units:	4.0		

Course Description

The standard course in freshman English. The course seeks to improve the student's ability to understand serious and complex prose and to improve the student's ability to write an exposition that is thoughtful and clear, including the production of a well-documented research paper. (CSU, UC)

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

- 1. Demonstrate mastery of research strategies, including appropriate use and correct documentation of research materials (ILO1, ILO4, ILO5)
- 2. Analyze an argumentative text for claim, support, and fallacies (ILO1, ILO2)
- 3. Develop an essay of multiple pages that effectively presents and strongly supports a thesis statement. (ILO1, ILO2)
- 4. Demonstrate command of rules regarding plagiarism and academic ethics. (ILO3)

Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Read, analyze, and interpret a variety of written texts, including one single-author text.
- 2. Identify evidence, tone, purpose, and audience, and fallacies in a variety of written works.
- 3. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the writing process, from development and drafting to revising and editing.
- 4. Demonstrate a command of varying writing patterns, such as comparison and contrast, definition, and argumentation.
- 5. Demonstrate an understanding of connotative and figurative language while writing for an academic audience.
- 6. Adapt writing strategies to the requirements of the writing situation (e.g., to essay exam or other timed writing, research writing, reflective writing)
- 7. Examine and analyze their own writing and that of other students with a view towards improving the effectiveness of the written work.
- 8. Develop text analysis and interpretation supported by citations, synthesized with the study and

- application of documentation styles and library skills (including electronic databases) to produce a research paper.
- 9. Demonstrate an understanding of the writing process by writing at least four essays using a variety of rhetorical modes, along with one research paper, composing a total of at least 6,000 words of formal writing. Expository and argumentative papers constitute the bulk of student writing.
- 10. Participate in a number of activities and areas of study as deemed appropriate by the instructor.

Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

- Gawande, Atul. The Checklist Manifesto: How to Get Things Right. Picador, 2009.
- Ford, Martin. *Rise of the Robots: Technology and the Threat of a Jobless Future.* Basic Books, 2015.
- Crowther, Kathryn; Curtright, Lauren; et al. <u>Successful College Composition</u>. English Open Textbooks, 2016. [Note: a copy of this textbook is available as a PDF for free at the above link. It is also available in print form in the bookstore for about \$20.]

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

- 1. Attend every class session. Any student who misses the first class will be dropped. Students may be dropped at instructor discretion if they miss more than a week of class hours continuously. Please make arrangements with the instructor or a fellow student to keep up with all assignments in case you cannot attend a class session for any reason.
- 2. Generally, no late work will be accepted. However, if you have an emergency or some other situation arises that prevents you from turning the work in on time AND you contact me in advance, I *may* allow for a deadline extension (on a case-by-case basis).
- 3. You are responsible for keeping track of your class grade average and the drop deadline.
- 4. <u>Out of Class Assignments</u>: The Department of Education policy states that one (1) credit hour is the amount of student work that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of class time <u>and</u> two (2) hours of out-of-class time per week over the span of a semester.

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Graded Assignments	% of Total Grade
In-Class/Homework	5
Reading Quizzes	10
Essay #1	10
Essay #2	15
Essay #3	20
Essay #4	25
Final Exam	10
TOTAL	100

- **In-Class/Homework**: There will be writing and group activities during most classes. Any work done in class cannot be made up.
- **Reading Quizzes**: There will be frequent *and unannounced* quizzes on the reading assignments throughout the semester. These will be given at the start of class, and they cannot be made up.

- **Essay #1**: This is an in-class essay on a topic I will hand out at the start of that day's class. The research for this essay will be minimal (but there will still be some research).
- **Essays #2:** This essay will be at least 1,000 words in length (appx 4 pages), will require some research that will be documented according to the 8th Edition of the MLA Handbook.
- **Essays #3 & #4:** These essays will be connected by topic but be different in focus and execution. Essay #3 will be a research paper focusing primarily on reporting information on an arguable topic; Essay #4 will be a persuasive essay. Both papers need to be at least 1,500 words in length (appx. 6 pages), will require significant research that will be documented according to the 8th Edition of the MLA Handbook.
- **Final Exam**: The final will consist of an essay focusing on a topic that will be announced later. Research will be required for this exam.

Attendance

- A student who fails to attend the first meeting of a class or does not complete the first mandatory activity of an online class will be dropped by the instructor as of the first official meeting of that class. Should readmission be desired, the student's status will be the same as that of any other student who desires to add a class. It is the student's responsibility to drop or officially withdraw from the class. See General Catalog for details.
- Regular attendance in all classes is expected of all students. A student whose continuous, unexcused absences exceed the number of hours the class is scheduled to meet per week may be dropped. For online courses, students who fail to complete required activities for two consecutive weeks may be considered to have excessive absences and may be dropped.
- Absences attributed to the representation of the college at officially approved events (conferences, contests, and field trips) will be counted as 'excused' absences.

Classroom Etiquette

- Electronic Devices: Cell phones and electronic devices must be turned off and put away during class, unless otherwise directed by the instructor.
- Food and Drink are prohibited in all classrooms. Water bottles with lids/caps are the only exception. Additional restrictions will apply in labs. Please comply as directed by the instructor.
- Disruptive Students: Students who disrupt or interfere with a class may be sent out of the room and told to meet with the Campus Disciplinary Officer before returning to continue with coursework. Disciplinary procedures will be followed as outlined in the General Catalog.
- Children in the classroom: Due to college rules and state laws, no one who is not enrolled in the class may attend, including children.

Online Netiquette

- What is netiquette? Netiquette is internet manners, online etiquette, and digital etiquette all rolled into one word. Basically, netiquette is a set of rules for behaving properly online.
- Students are to comply with the following rules of netiquette: (1) identify yourself, (2) include a subject line, (3) avoid sarcasm, (4) respect others' opinions and privacy, (5) acknowledge and return messages promptly, (6) copy with caution, (7) do not spam or junk mail, (8) be concise, (9) use

appropriate language, (10) use appropriate emoticons (emotional icons) to help convey meaning, and (11) use appropriate intensifiers to help convey meaning [do not use ALL CAPS or multiple exclamation marks (!!!!)].

Academic Honesty

Academic honesty in the advancement of knowledge requires that all students and instructors respect the integrity of one another's work and recognize the important of acknowledging and safeguarding intellectual property.

There are many different forms of academic dishonesty. The following kinds of honesty violations and their definitions are not meant to be exhaustive. Rather, they are intended to serve as examples of unacceptable academic conduct.

- Plagiarism is taking and presenting as one's own the writings or ideas of others, without citing the source. You should understand the concept of plagiarism and keep it in mind when taking exams and preparing written materials. If you do not understand how to "cite a source" correctly, you must ask for help.
- Cheating is defined as fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment, or using or attempting to use materials, or assisting others in using materials that are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of the academic assignment in question.

Anyone caught cheating or plagiarizing will receive a zero (0) on the exam or assignment, and the instructor may report the incident to the Campus Disciplinary Officer, who may place related documentation in a file. Repeated acts of cheating may result in an F in the course and/or disciplinary action. Please refer to the General Catalog for more information on academic dishonesty or other misconduct. Acts of cheating include, but are not limited to, the following: (a) plagiarism; (b) copying or attempting to copy from others during an examination or on an assignment; (c) communicating test information with another person during an examination; (d) allowing others to do an assignment or portion of an assignment; (e) using a commercial term paper service.

Additional Student Services

Imperial Valley College offers various services in support of student success. The following are some of the services available for students. Please speak to your instructor about additional services which may be available.

- CANVAS LMS. Canvas is Imperial Valley College's main Learning Management System. To log onto Canvas, use this link: Canvas Student Login. The Canvas Student Guides Site provides a variety of support available to students 24 hours per day. Additionally, a 24/7 Canvas Support Hotline is available for students to use: 877-893-9853.
- Learning Services. There are several learning labs on campus to assist students through the use of computers and tutors. Please consult your Campus Map for the Math Lab; Reading, Writing & Language Labs; and the Study Skills Center.
- Library Services. There is more to our library than just books. You have access to tutors in the Study Skills Center, study rooms for small groups, and online access to a wealth of resources.

Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS)

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSP&S) office as soon as possible. The DSP&S office is located in Building 2100, telephone 760-355-6313. Please contact them if you feel you need to be evaluated for educational accommodations.

Student Counseling and Health Services

Students have counseling and health services available, provided by the pre-paid Student Health Fee.

- Student Health Center. A Student Health Nurse is available on campus. In addition, Pioneers
 Memorial Healthcare District provide basic health services for students, such as first aid and care
 for minor illnesses. Contact the IVC Student Health Center at 760-355-6128 in Room 1536 for
 more information.
- Mental Health Counseling Services. Short-term individual, couples, family and group counseling services are available for currently enrolled students. Services are provided in a confidential, supportive, and culturally sensitive environment. Please contact the IVC Mental Health Counseling Services at 760-355-6310 or in the building 1536 for appointments or more information..

Veteran's Center

The mission of the IVC Military and Veteran Success Center is to provide a holistic approach to serving military/veteran students on three key areas: 1) Academics, 2) Health and Wellness, and 3) Camaraderie; to serve as a central hub that connects military/veteran students, as well as their families, to campus and community resources. Their goal is to ensure a seamless transition from military to civilian life. The Center is located in Building 600 (Office 624), telephone 760-355-6141.

Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS)

The Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS) offers services such as priority registration, personal/academic counseling, tutoring, book vouchers, and community referrals to qualifying low-income students. EOPS is composed of a group of professionals ready to assist you with the resolution of both academic and personal issues. Our staff is set up to understand the problems of our culturally diverse population and strives to meet student needs that are as diverse as our student population.

Also under the umbrella of EOPS our CARE (Cooperative Agency Resources for Education) Program for single parents is specifically designed to provide support services and assist with the resolution of issues that are particular to this population. Students that are single parents receiving TANF/Cash Aid assistance may qualify for our CARE program, for additional information on CARE please contact Lourdes Mercado, 760-355-6448, lourdes.mercado@imperial.edu.

EOPS provides additional support and services that may identify with one of the following experiences:

- Current and former foster youth students that were in the foster care system at any point in their lives
- Students experiencing homelessness
- Formerly incarcerated students

To apply for EOPS and for additional information on EOPS services, please contact Alexis Ayala, 760-355-5713, alexis.ayala@imperial.edu.

Student Equity Program

- The Student Equity Program strives to improve Imperial Valley College's success outcomes, particularly for students who have been historically underrepresented and underserved. The college identifies strategies to monitor and address equity issues, making efforts to mitigate any disproportionate impact on student success and achievement. Our institutional data provides insight surrounding student populations who historically, are not fully represented. Student Equity addresses disparities and/or disproportionate impact in student success across disaggregated student equity groups including gender, ethnicity, disability status, financial need, Veterans, foster youth, homelessness, and formerly incarcerated students. The Student Equity Program provides direct supportive services to empower students experiencing insecurities related to food, housing, transportation, textbooks, and shower access. We recognize that students who struggle meeting their basic needs are also at an academic and economic disadvantage, creating barriers to academic success and wellness. We strive to remove barriers that affect IVC students' access to education, degree and certificate completion, successful completion of developmental math and English courses, and the ability to transfer to a university. Contact: 760.355.5736 or 760.355.5733 Building 100.
- The Student Equity Program also houses IVC's Homeless Liaison, who provides direct services, campus, and community referrals to students experiencing homelessness as defined by the McKinney-Vento Act. Contact: 760.355.5736 Building 100.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

Students have the right to experience a positive learning environment and to due process of law. For more information regarding student rights and responsibilities, please refer to the IVC General Catalog.

Information Literacy

Imperial Valley College is dedicated to helping students skillfully discover, evaluate, and use information from all sources. The IVC Library Department provides numerous Information Literacy Tutorials to assist students in this endeavor.

Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar

Dates	Readings/Activities	Major Assignments
August 14	Class Introduction	
August 16	Dweck, <u>"Brainology"</u> and <u>"You Can Grow Your</u> <u>Intelligence"</u> ; Crowther & Curtright, 6-43	
August 21	Dweck, <u>"Brainology"</u> and "You Can Grow Your Intelligence"; Crowther & Curtright, 44-87	
August 23	Writing	Essay #1 (In-Class)
August 28	Gawande, 1-31; Crowther & Curtright, 100-105	
August 30	Gawande, 32-47	
September 6	Gawande, 48-71	
September 11	Gawande, 72-85	
September 13	Gawande, 86-113	
September 18	Gawande 114-135	
September 20	Gawande, 136-157	
September 25	Gawande, 158-end	
September 27	Essay #2 Workshop	Essay #2 Due
October 2	Ford, ix-27; Crowther & Curtright, 134-140	
October 4	Ford, 29-61	
October 9	Ford, 63-81; Crowther & Curtright, 134-165	
October 11	Ford, 83-128	
October 16	Ford, 129-144; Crowther & Curtright, 166-171	
October 18	Ford, 145-174	
October 23	Ford, 175-191; Crowther & Curtright, 172-178	
October 25	Ford, 193-228;	
October 30	Ford, 229-248; Crowther & Curtright, 179-194	
November 1	Ford, 249-end	
November 6	Essay #3 Workshop	Essay #3 Due

November 8	Argumentation; Crowther & Curtright, 122-133			
November 13	Argumentation			
November 15	Argumentation			
November 20-26: Thanksgiving Week—No Class				
November 27	Essay #4 Workshop			
November 29	Essay #4 Workshop	Essay #4 Due		
December 4		Final Exam		
December 6		Final Exam		