ENGLISH 109AS
Introduction to Essay Writing 1

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Required Texts:
Winterowd, Hawk, Winterowd, The Literature of Fact.

Course Description:
1. All students in Engl 109AS must be writing at a university level. Essay writing 109 is not a course in remedial writing or in English as a second language.

2. The purpose of 109 is to instruct students in the principles of good writing and to acquaint them with the requirements of the university essay. We will, therefore, examine the fundamentals of grammar, style, structure, and rhetoric under eight basic headings: (1) Sentence; (2) Punctuation; (3) Writing Process; (4) Essay; (5) Paragraph; (6) Revision; (7) Argumentation; (8) Diction.

3. All students must attend their tutorials. The tutorial leaders mark the assignments of all students registered in their sections.

4. Essays must be submitted on the due date. If assignments are late, five marks a day will be subtracted for a maximum of two days. No assignment will be accepted after two days without a medical certificate or other appropriate documentation.

Schedule:
Jan. 3: Introduction
3: Sentence: Chap. 6-9, 3 WHCE
10: Sentence: Chap. 1, 2
22: Punctuation: Chap. 10-15
24: " "
29: Sentence: Chap. 4, 5
31: " " (first essay due)

Feb. 5: Writing Process: Chap. 10-21
7: " "
12: " "
14: Grammar Test
26: Essay
28: " "
**Assignments:**

**A. Essays:**

1. **Personal Narrative:** 750 words (three typed pages); worth 10%; due Jan. 31.
2. **Informative or Expository:** 1000 words (four typed pages); worth 15%; due Mar. 5.
3. **Persuasive or Argumentative:** 1500 words (six typed pages); worth 25%; due Apr. 3.

**B. Tutorials:** 10% (determined by attendance and participation).

**C. Examinations:**

1. **Grammar test:** fifty minutes; worth 10%; Feb. 14.
2. **Final:** three hours (50% grammar, 50% essay); worth 30%.