

# Course Outline

EA/ELCC

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# **ENGL 100 A - Written Composition**

3 credits, 3 hours

This course focuses on expository writing skills. Students will develop and organize their thoughts as they study examples of good prose and practice revising their own work. By following the steps of the writing process, students will learn to write clear, well-structured, interesting essays. Course requirements include writing four essays, a summary, a report and a research paper.

# Instructor

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Office Hours

TBD

# **Hours of Instruction**

Friday 1:00 PM – 3:50 PM Synchronous Online Delivery

# Required Resources

Norton, S. & Green, B. The Bare Essentials Form B. (9th Ed.). Toronto: Thomson Canada.

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#### **Course Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student shall be able to:

- define the audience, purpose, and role of the writer in any writing task
- use prewriting techniques
- organize and develop unified paragraphs that express logical, well-supported ideas
- use smooth transitions between paragraphs
- write and revise at least one draft in various writing styles (eg. articles, narration, professional correspondence)
- develop a clear, precise, and individual voice as a writer, using appropriate diction and syntax while employing standard English grammar
- use and document reference materials
- · revise, edit, and proofread thoroughly

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#### **Evaluation**

Mastery Quizzes 25%
Short Writing Assignment: Personal Narrative 25%
Research Paper 25%
Final in Class Writing Assignment 25%

# Students will receive written instruction for all graded assignments in class.

A grade of C- is required for progression.

The minimum standard for passing this course is a grade of D (50%).

Students must achieve an average of 50% on the midterm and the final exam in order to pass the course and an overall average in the course of 50% (D).

# **Grading System**

Descriptor	Alpha Grade	4.0 Scale	Percent
	A+	4.0	> 93.9
Excellent	Α	4.0	87 – 93.9
	A-	3.7	80 - 86.9
	B+	3.3	77 – 79.9
Good	В	3.0	74 - 76.9
	B-	2.7	70 – 73.9
	C+	2.3	67 - 69.9
Satisfactory	С	2.0	64 - 66.9
Progression	C-	1.7	60 - 63.9
Poor	D+	1.3	57 - 59.9
Min Pass	D	1.0	50 - 56.9
Failure	F	0.0	< 50

Course assignments have set due dates to manage both instructor and student workloads. The department policy regarding student evaluation states that:

- Assignments are to be submitted at the beginning of the class on their respective due dates. If a student is absent from class, the assignment will be considered late.
- Individual extensions require students to contact and ask permission from the instructor prior
  to the assignment due date. In addition, a signed request for extension, including the
  extenuating circumstances, must be submitted at that time or as soon as possible.
- For assignments that are late without written permission:
  - 1% will be deducted per day (including Saturday and Sunday)
  - No assignments will be accepted after 1 week past the due date, without extenuating circumstances and approval has been given by your instructor.

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# **Proposed Schedule**

September 4 <sup>th</sup>	First Aid/CPR	
	Introductions and review of the course outline.	
September 11th	Bare Essentials: Unit 1 / Chapters 1-4	
	Bare Essentials: Unit 2 / Chapters 5-7	
September 18th	Bare Essentials: Unit 2 continued / Chapters 8-10	
September 25 <sup>th</sup>	Bare Essentials: Unit 3 / Chapters 11-13	
	Short Writing Assignment: Personal Narrative due in class.	
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Library Tour	
October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Bare Essentials: Unit 3 continued / Chapters 14-16	
	Mastery Quizzes due in class.	
October 16th	Bare Essentials: Unit 3 continued / Chapters 14-16	
October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Bare Essentials: Unit 4 / Chapters 17-21	
October 30th	Bare Essentials: Unit 5 / Chapters 22-24	
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bare Essentials: Unit 5 continued / Chapters 25-27	
	Research Paper due in class.	
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Reading Week - No Class	
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Bare Essentials: Unit 7	
	Final Review	
	Mastery Quizzes due in class	
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Final in Class Writing Assignment	

# Please Note:

Date and time allotted to each topic is subject to change.

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# Performance Requirements

#### Student Responsibilities

It is your responsibility as a student to contact the Office of the Registrar to complete the forms for Withdrawal or Change of Registration, and any other forms. Please refer to the list of important dates as noted in the Academic Schedule in the Keyano College credit calendar. The Keyano College credit calendar also has information about Student Rights and Code of Conduct. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies.

#### **Student Attendance**

Class attendance is useful for two reasons. First, class attendance maximizes a student's learning experience. Second, attending class is a good way to keep informed of matters relating to the administration of the course (e.g., the timing of assignments and exams). Ultimately, you are responsible for your own learning and performance in this course.

It is the responsibility of each student to be prepared for all classes. Students who miss classes are responsible for the material covered in those classes and for ensuring that they are prepared for the next class, including the completion of any assignments and notes that may be due.

#### **Academic Misconduct**

Students are considered to be responsible adults and should adhere to principles of intellectual integrity. Intellectual dishonesty may take many forms, such as:

- Plagiarism or the submission of another person's work as one's own;
- The use of unauthorized aids in assignments or examinations (cheating);
- · Collusion or the unauthorized collaboration with others in preparing work;
- The deliberate misrepresentation of qualifications;
- The willful distortion of results or data;
- Substitution in an examination by another person;
- · Handing in the same unchanged work as submitted for another assignment; and
- · Breach of confidentiality.

The consequences for academic misconduct range from a verbal reprimand to expulsion from the College. More specific descriptions and details are found in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct section of the Keyano College credit calendar. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies.

In order to ensure your understanding of the concept of plagiarism, <u>you must successfully complete</u> the online tutorial found on ilearn.keyano.ca. Then print the certificate, sign it, and show it to each of <u>your instructors</u>. Your course work may not be graded until you show this signed certificate.

#### **Specialized Supports**

The Student Services department is committed to Keyano students and their academic success. There are a variety of student supports available at Keyano College. Due to the continuing situation with the Covid-19 pandemic, the offered support services will be implemented differently this semester by being provided mostly virtually. In-person service can be requested as needed. All Alberta Health Services guidelines will be followed for in-person appointments—wear a mask, maintain two meters of physical distance, use hand sanitizer, and stay home if you are unwell.

All student services are available during Keyano business hours: Monday to Friday, 8h30-16h30. The Library has evening and weekend hours. Please check <u>keyano.ca/library</u> for current hours.

Accessibility Services: provides accommodations for students with disabilities. Students with documented disabilities, or who suspect a disability, can meet with a Learning Strategist to discuss

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their current learning barriers and possible accommodations. Students who have accessed accommodations in the past are encouraged to contact us to request them for the semester. Please note that requesting accommodations is a process and requires time to arrange. Contact us as soon as you know you may require accommodations. For accessibility services supports and to book a virtual appointment, please contact <a href="mailto:accessibility.services@keyano.ca">accessibility.services@keyano.ca</a>.

Accessibility Services also provides individual and group learning strategy instruction for all students, as well as technology training and supports to enhance learning. Meet with a Learning Strategist to learn studying and test-taking strategies for online classes. Schedule an appointment with the Assistive Technology Specialist to explore technology tools for learning. Book an appointment today by emailing accessibility.services@keyano.ca

Academic Success Coaching: offers you support and access to resources for your academic success to help you to find the Keys to your Success. The Academic Success Coach will work with you to develop an academic success plan, develop your study and time management skills, and connect you with the right resources here at Keyano. <a href="mailto:Academic.success@keyano.ca">Academic.success@keyano.ca</a> is the best way to access resources during virtual service delivery.

**Wellness Services:** offers a caring, inclusive, and respectful environment where students can access free group and individual support to meet academic and life challenges. Mental Health Coordinators offer a safe and confidential environment to seek help with personal concerns. All individual appointments will continue virtually.

Wellness Services welcomes students to participate in any of the virtual group sessions offered throughout the academic year addressing topics including mindfulness and test anxiety.

Individual virtual appointments can be made by emailing wellness.services@keyano.ca.

**Library Services:** provides students with research and information supports as they engage in their studies. Library staff are available to support you both virtually and in person during the fall semester. For library service supports and inquiries, please email askthelibrary@keyano.ca.

Individual support with the Information Librarian will be provided virtually. Appointments can be requested by email or by placing a <u>Book a Librarian</u> request using the online form found <u>here</u>.

Research and Subject Guides are helpful resources when conducting research or addressing your information needs. To view a subject or course specific guide, use the following <u>Subject Guides link</u>

To access additional research resources, including Citation Guides (APA, MLA, Chicago, or IEEE), go to the <u>Research Help Library page</u>.

**Skill Centre:** provides academic support services to students registered in credit programs at Keyano College in the form of tutoring, writing support groups, facilitated study groups, workshops and study space. Tutoring services are **free** to Keyano students. Tutoring is available for Math, Writing, English, and Science subject areas.

While most courses are being offered online, the Skill Center will be offering mostly virtual tutoring services and in-person sessions as requested. Please email <a href="mailto:Skill.centre@keyano.ca">Skill.centre@keyano.ca</a> to get in contact with our tutoring staff.

For the most up to date information on how to book a tutoring session, please view the <u>Keyano Skill</u> <u>Centre homepage.</u>

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# E-Learning

Technology and internet will impact your online learning experience. It's important that you are able to watch an online video and other course materials, take online quizzes, and participant in a live class with your instructor and other students.

Keyano College operates in a Windows based environment and having the correct tools for online learning is important. Here's a list of recommended system requirements for Fall 2020.

# **Internet Speed**

Minimum Internet speeds of 5 Mbps.

Recommended Internet speeds of 25 Mbps (especially if you are sharing your internet at home). Check your internet speed with Fast.com.

# System requirements:

Microsoft Windows	Apple	
Minimum Requirements:	Minimum Requirements:	
A Windows 10 <b>computer/laptop</b> · Minimum 4GB of RAM.	A Macintosh (V10.14 and above) <b>computer/laptop</b> · Minimum 4GB of RAM.	
10GB+ available hard drive storage.	· 10GB+ available hard drive storage.	
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· Microphone, webcam and speakers. A headset with a microphone is recommended.	<ul> <li>Microphone, webcam and speakers. A headset with a microphone is recommended.</li> </ul>	
System updates must be regularly installed.	System updates must be regularly installed.	
· Anti-Virus / Anti-Malware software	Anti-Virus / Anti-Malware software.	
Recommended Requirements  8GB of RAM	Recommended Requirements 8GB of RAM	
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Chromebooks are <b>not</b> recommended as they are not compatible with testing lockdown browsers.		

# Specific department requirements:

Business and OA programs require Windows 10. Other programs may utilize Windows based tools as well.

A Microsoft Surface or iPad or iPad Pro may be possible alternatives in some program areas.

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# **Computer Software**

Students will be able to get access to Microsoft Office 365 for Free using Keyano Credentials by clicking here.

# Recording of lectures and Intellectual Property

Students may only record a lecture if explicit permission is provided by the instructor or by Accessibility Services. Even if students have permission to record a lecture or lecture materials, students may not publish any of the lectures or lecture materials, this includes any recordings, slides, instructor notes, etc. on any platform. Thus no student is allowed to publish or sell instructor notes without formal written permission. It is important to recognize that the Canadian Copyright Act contains provisions for intellectual property.

# **ITS Helpdesk**

If you are having issues with your student account, you can contact the ITS Helpdesk by emailing its.helpdesk@keyano.ca or calling 780-791-4965.

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# Authorization

This course outline has been reviewed and approved by the Program Chair.

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