

Northwest Arkansas Community College
(Communication and Arts Division)

Discipline Code

ENGA

Course Number

0091

Course Title

Academic Literacy Writing/Reading Lab

Catalog Description

The study and practice of sentence structure conventions, critical thinking skills, writing as a recursive process, Standard American English grammar, source citation, and document formatting. Students will learn to express ideas and opinions in clear, organized paragraphs and/or essays. (This course supports student success in English Composition I.)

Prerequisites

Placement score on English or Reading ACT 1-18 or equivalent

Credit Hours

1 credit hour

Contact Hours

15 contact hours

Load Hours

2 load hours

Semester Offered

Fall, Spring, and On Demand

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

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

- Apply grammar conventions to proofreading techniques.
- Apply Standard American English conventions in writing assignments.

- Apply techniques for writing structured and unified paragraphs.
- Apply techniques for writing focused and identifiable thesis statements.
- Integrate and cite relevant sources.
- Compose focused, varied, and coherent sentences.

General Education Outcomes Supported

- Students develop higher order thinking skills.
- Students gain greater awareness of cultural perspectives.
- Students can write a clear, coherent, well-organized documents, which are substantially free of errors.
- Students can read selections at the college level.
- Students develop effective oral communication skills.
- Students demonstrate information literacy.

Standard Practices

Topics List

- Paragraph and essay organization, structure, development, formatting
- Sentence structure, grammar, mechanics
- Citation conventions
- Research incorporation
- Success in college

Learning Activities

- Reading/writing activities
- Quizzes
- Writing consultations

Assessments

- Quizzes
- Writing assignments
- Exams

Grading guidelines

- Regularly updated Canvas gradebook
- Rubrics & timely, substantive written (with optional audio/video) feedback

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