

CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY
SPRING SEMESTER 2000

COURSE: EN 101 Introduction to Expository Writing (Section 01 and 02)
INSTRUCTOR: Linda M. Iwamoto
TEXT: Hairston, **Ruszkiewicz**, Friend. The Scott, Foresman Handbook for Writers. (Fifth Edition). Longman, 1999.

Also required: A pocket folder to be used exclusively for in and out-of-class **journal** writing.

Strongly recommended: A standard college dictionary and a 3-1/2" computer disk (IBM compatible) for computer lab and home use.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE:

Introduction to Expository **Writing** is a course in the theory and practice of non-fiction writing. **The goal of the course** is **to help** you develop, improve, and gain confidence in your ability to write clearly and effectively. The course also **aims to increase** **YOU** **awareness** of writing as a means of increasing your personal, academic and professional development. This is a course not just in **"learning to write,"** but also **"writing to learn"** - about yourself, others, and the world beyond your **experience**.

GENERAL CONTENT OF THE COURSE.

During the semester you will complete 5 papers (400-600 words each), using the basic types of expository or informational writing (e.g. description, narration, comparison and contrast, cause and effect, and definition). The emphasis of this course will be on generating ideas, writing (both personal and audience-directed), peer evaluation and revising of student writing, and analysis of professional writing. An awareness of audience will be the basis for a review of editing skills, including Standard English usage, vocabulary review, and sentence structure. The course will also include an introduction to Sullivan Library, and basics of **information** retrieval and documentation.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE COURSE.

Section 01 will meet MWF **from** 9:00 to 9:50 a.m. in **H223**, and section 02 will meet MWF from 10:00 to 10:50 a. m. in H223. This course is heavily dependent on class work and collaboration; **therefore**,

- attendance and promptness are mandatory.
- **students** are **expected** to come to class prepared with assigned work
- eating in class is not permitted, except for bottled water
- out-of-class assignments should be **computer-generated** and printed out
- in-class and journal writing should be completed **in** pen (or #2 pencil), using one side of **the** paper only.

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GRADES:

Grades **will** be **based** on class **preparation** and work that is consistently well thought-out and submitted on time. Final grades will be determined on the **following(tentative)** scale:

- 50% Written assignments
- 20% Journal **writing**
- 10% Quizzes /worksheets
- 10% Participation (attendance and deadlines)
- 10%** Final exam (scheduled for Mon. May 8 from 3-5 p.m.)

OFFICE *HOURS*:

You are encouraged to contact me outside of class by phone or e-mail.

H206A before and after class and by appointment.

735-4896 (24-hour voice mail)

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***PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THIS SYLLABUS HANDY FOR REFERENCE
THROUGHOUT THE SEMESTER.***