Chaminade University of Honolulu Evening Programs Course Syllabus Fall, 2001 EN 10240: Expository Writing Marie Romano (687-3420)

## **REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:**

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The Scott, Foresman Handbook for Writers (sixth edition)
The Contemporary Reader (sixth edition)

## Mtg Date MATERIALS TO BE COVERED

1. T 10/02 Course introduction and overview.

Read Chapter 1, giving special attention to chart/checklists on 5, 8, 10, 12.

In-class writing sample.

2. T 10/09 Finding and refining a topic 15-28, 628-631.

Preliminary topic for research paper.

Constructing a thesis 29-34.

In-class writing: thesis sentence.

- 3. Th 10/11 Working with paragraphs 194-210, 211-219. Managing transitions 220-228. In-class writing.
- 4. T 10/16 Organizing a writing project 35-43.
  Writing a powerful argument 153-175.
  Choosing a title 48,49.
  Assignment: argument paper.
- 5. Th 10/18 Argument paper due.
  Writing responsibly 100-107.
- 6. T 10/23 Reading and thinking critically 130-141.
  Writing a summary 684-687, 698.
  In-class writing: summary.
  Assignment: summarizing an essay.
- 7. Th 10/25 Summary paper due.
  Planning the research project 631-639.
  Finding information 640-669.
- 8. T 10/30 Evaluating and using sources 670-692. Using paraphrase 684,687-691,698.
- 9. Th 11/01 Synthesizing multi-source materials. Handouts on synthesis.

Assignment: synthesis paper on essays from The Contemporary Reader.

10. T 11/06 Taking effective notes and using MLA in documenting bibliography 132. Writing an annotated bibliography 103-107, 632-635.

Assignment: 50 note cards and 8-10 bibliography cards.

## 11. Th 11/08 Synthesis paper due.

Documenting sources and handling quotations 693-708. Work on cards.

- 12. T 11/13 Using MLA documentation 722-772. Work on cards.
- 13. Th 11/15 Outlining a paper 43-47.
  In-class writing: outline.
  Assignment: research paper outline.
- 14. T 11/20 Writing a literary analysis 176-192. Work on cards and outline.

Th 11/22 THANKSGIVING DAY HOLIDAY

- 15. T 11/27 Note cards and bibliography cards due. Writing on essay examinations 108-115.
- 16. Th 11/29 **Formal outline due.** How is writing evaluated? 83-96.
- 17. T 12/04 Writing a draft 50-59. Work on draft of research paper.
- 18. Th 12/06 Revising, editing, and proofreading 60-82. Work on research paper.
- 19. T 12/11 Completing the writing project 709-719. Work on research paper.
- 20. M 9/10 Final exam: Completed research paper due. Course evaluation.

## **NOTES:**

- 1. Students are expected to maintain the syllabus and to submit all assignments on time.
- 2. Grades will be based on the quality and completeness of written assignments. The final grade will be determined by the following: shorter papers will merit

- one-third of the final grade, all components of the research paper another third, and the research paper the final third.
- 3. Students are to submit a stamped, self-addressed envelope together with their research paper. The corrected paper will be returned to them along with their final course grade.