Guided Self-Placement for Developmental Reading and English Courses, Fall 2023.

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Basic facts:

- 1. Our Developmental Reading and English courses separate into three tiers:
 - a. College Reading Boost
 - b. English Reading Essentials
 - c. English Writing Essentials

READ 0110 College Reading Boost

Developmental 1 cr.

Required for programs:

Accepted by Programs:

Developmental Reading and English

None

Target Audience:

Primarily intended for students who wish to brush up on reading, fluency, vocabulary, writing strategies and grammar, such as (finding main ideas, supporting details), such as those headed to ENGL 1200 Technical Writing or ENGL 1150 Composition.

Builds on Knowledge from:

Prerequisites: None, Co-requisites: ENGL 1200 Technical Writing

Some Things You Will Learn and Do:

- 1. Learn MLA format with writing responses and learn study and organizational skills.
- 2. Develop, practice, and refine reading strategies in Vocabulary in Content, Main Ideas, Supporting Details (major and minor details), Implied Main Ideas, Relationships I (list of items and time order), Relationships II (illustration, definition and example, compare and contrast, cause and effect) and Inferences.
- 3. Identifying fragments, comma splices, run-ons, pronouns, consistent tense, compound and complex sentences, subjects, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs.
- 4. Use Ace Reader to increase fluency with eye movement, reading comprehension, fluency, and reading rates.
- 5. Do independent study several hours a week practicing vocabulary by working on Vocabulary Plus Independent study, doing grammar exercises in the various

online textbooks, reading about various reading strategies, doing practice exercises, or reading a book.

Special Notes: Would you like to brush up on your reading strategies and have a refresher in writing and grammar?

READ 0150 English Reading Essentials Developmental 3 cr.

Required for Programs: Developmental Reading and English Accepted by Programs: None

Target Audience:

Primarily intended for students who want to learn specific reading strategies, increase their fluency, and vocabulary, such as (finding main ideas, supporting details, major and minor details etc.)

Builds on Knowledge From:

Prerequisite a score of 230-249 on the English and Reading assessment. Corequisite: ENGL 0150 English Writing Essentials

Some Things You Will Learn and Do:

- 1. Develop, practice, and refine reading strategies in Vocabulary in Content, Main Ideas, Supporting Details (major and minor details), Implied Main Ideas, Relationships I (list of items and time order), Relationships II (illustration, definition and example, compare and contrast, cause and effect) and Inferences.
- 2. Do online exercises in Townsend Press to practice the different reading strategies.
- 3. Use Vocabulary Plus Independent Study (VoIP) for independent study to learn and practice different vocabulary words, the use of them in context, and develop further meaning.
- 4. Utilize Ace Reader to increase fluency with eye movement, reading comprehension, fluency, and reading rates.

Special Notes: Would you like to learn in-depth reading strategies, increase your fluency, reading comprehension, and vocabulary? This three-credit course is an option. Please speak to your instructor if you are interested.

ENGL 0150 English Writing Essentials

Developmental 3 cr.

Required for Programs: Accepted by Programs

Developmental Reading and English None

Target Audience:

Primarily intended for students who want basic writing course that introduces students to the primary principles of college composition and professional writing skills. The courses' primary skill areas include organizational development, refined grammar and punctuation execution, proper paragraph development, short essay construction, proofreading skills, audience recognition, and rules for formatting.

Builds on Knowledge From:

Prerequisite: READ 0110: College Reading Boost Corequisites: READ 0150: English Reading Essentials

Some Things You Will Learn and Do:

- 1. Learn how to set-up papers using MLA format, do prewriting packets, rough drafts, and
 - final drafts. The students will write a five-paragraph essay, a Narration essay, an Effects essay, and MLA in-text documentation with a Works Cited Response essay.
- 2. Understand the format of drafting, revising, polishing, and proofreading papers. Have personal conferences discussing the prewriting packets and rough drafts and use of the Writing Center.
- 3. Use Purdue OWL MLA for the basic format for writing papers, MLA in-text documentation, and Works Cited page, and plagiarism. Learn about how to set up paragraphs with topic sentences, the body of a paragraph, transitions, and conclusion.
- 4. Do weekly Townsend Press exercises online to practice grammar.
- 5. Learn how to identify and fix fragments, run-ons, comma splices, topic sentences, general versus specific details, compound and complex sentences, adjectives, adverbs, sentence structure, commas, irregular verbs, semicolons, subjects, verbs, prepositions, pronouns, direct and indirect objects.

- 6. Understand how to write dialogue, have an introduction, rising action, climax, and conclusion.
- 7. Do online Townsend Press exercises and homework from the textbook.

Special Notes: Would you like to learn how to set-up papers correctly, get prepared to enter into Composition or Technical Writing, and increase your understanding of grammar and writing? Please speak to your advisor if you are interested in taking this three-credit class.

ENGL 1150 College Composition I or ENGL 1200 Technical Writing

College Ready

Target Audience:

Intended for students who are ready for ENGL 1150 College Composition I or ENGL 1200 Technical Writing (if required by your program) and any course with the prerequisite of College Level Reading/Writing.

Some Things You Will Learn and Do:

- 1. ENGL 1150 College Composition is a course that emphasizes the process of writing expository and persuasive essays using effective writing skills and a variety of research techniques. Also included in the course content are critical reading and logical reasoning.
- 2. ENGL 1200 Technical Writing is a course that is designed to enhance students' abilities to write technical documents. The content covered will include proposals, research reports, technical manuals, feasibility studies, and process reports.