

Syllabus | ENGL 0300: College Composition I Supplemental Instruction

Course/Section: Class Dates: Time: Location: ENGL 0300-001 January 13 - May 3 (Spring 2025) M 2:30pm - 3:50pm Ratliff Building North (RBN) 2007

Instructor Information

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Course Overview

(Three semester credit hours): This course is designed to be a support for ENGL 1301. As supplemental instruction, the course meets once a week to provide additional support for students who are not TSI eligible. The course focuses on developing writing practices, strengthening grammar and mechanics, and providing added explanation and practice for assignments in ENGL 1301. To earn credit, this course must be completed with a "C" or better. Prerequisite: TSI Reading and Writing Assessment. Corequisite: ENGL 1301

The course grade is based on your attendance and engagement. Engagement includes the following::

- being prepared by having done whatever reading and writing are due in ENGL 1301 and whatever supplemental work is assigned
- Attending class and engaging in class discussions and workshops
- Completion of assignments and weekly in-class activities

Required Text(s) and Materials

- All course reading will be provided by the instructor and made accessible in Canvas.
- Students should bring a notebook in order to take notes in class during writing workshops. Also, please bring your laptops as there will be regular in-class writing activities.

Important Dates

First Class Day: Monday, January 13 Census Date/Last Day to Drop without Record: January 27 Mid-Term Grades Due: March 10 Last Day to Drop a Course: March 31 Last Class Day: Friday, May 2 Final Exam: N/A Final Grades due: Tuesday, May 6 by 12:00pm

Assignments Overview

Assignments	Percentage
In-Class Writing Activities	25%
Narrative Essay	15%
Persuasive Essay	15%
Analysis Essay	15%
Reflection Portfolio	15%
Conferences	10%
Writing Center Visit	5%
Total	100%

Note: Students cannot pass the course if they fail to submit any of the major writing projects.

Grading Scale

A = 90 - 100 B = 80 - 89 C = 70 -79 D = 60 - 69 F = 59 and below

Instructor's Course Policies

Class Attendance: Students are expected to be on time and engage in class discussions and activities. Any student who misses more than 3 classes without a university-approved excuse will fail the course automatically. Arriving late or leaving early 3 times will count as 1 absence. Not participating in class activities will result in an absence for the day.

Revisions: To produce effective writing often requires revising and even rewriting. As such, in this course I will ask you to revise all of your assignments after receiving my feedback. I allow students to revise and resubmit all writing assignments multiple times—with the exception of the final project—for a higher grade. The considerable feedback I provide on student work is a reflection of my commitment to your growth as a reader and writer. Please honor this commitment of my time and effort by revising your work when requested.

Late Work: Please turn in all work by the due date. Late assignments will be docked 10% for each day over the due date the assignments are late.

Canvas: All your assignments will be submitted to Canvas. If you cannot log into Canvas, contact the Office of Digital Learning via phone at **903-566-6200** or via e-mail at **canvas@uttyler.edu**. You may have difficulty viewing my feedback on your papers in Canvas if using a cell phone—you'll need to use a laptop or PC to view all my feedback in Canvas without problems.

E-mail: E-mail is my preferred method of communication. Generally, I make an effort to reply to email inquiries within 24 hours, unless you email during the weekend. Please check your email once a day, as I send out regular reminders about assignment due dates.

Electronic Devices: Feel free to bring laptops to take notes for class. However, use of cell phones is not permitted except for specific class activities where use of the Internet may be helpful for research. Otherwise, if you need to use your cell phone, please step into the hallway.

Restrooms: If you need to use the restroom, quietly let yourself out of the classroom. However, please make your best effort to use the restroom before class.

Use of Artificial Intelligence

I expect all work students submit for this course to be their own. I have carefully designed all assignments and class activities to support your learning. Doing your own work, without human or artificial intelligence assistance, is best for your efforts in mastering course learning objectives. For this course, I expressly forbid using ChatGPT or any other artificial intelligence (AI) tools for any stages of the work process, including brainstorming. Deviations from these guidelines will be considered a violation of UT Tyler's Honor Code and academic honesty values.

Note: UT Tyler is committed to exploring and using artificial intelligence (AI) tools as appropriate for the discipline and task undertaken. We encourage discussing AI tools' ethical, societal, philosophical, and disciplinary implications. All uses of AI should be acknowledged as this aligns with our commitment to honor and integrity, as noted in UT Tyler's Honor Code. Faculty and students must not use protected information, data, or copyrighted materials when using any AI tool. Additionally, users should be aware that AI tools rely on predictive models to generate content that may appear correct but is sometimes shown to be incomplete, inaccurate, taken without attribution from other sources, and/or biased. Consequently, an AI tool should not be considered a substitute for traditional approaches to research. You are ultimately responsible for the quality and content of the information you submit. Misusing AI tools that violate the guidelines specified for this course is considered a breach of academic integrity. The student will be subject to disciplinary actions as outlined in UT Tyler's Academic Integrity Policy.

UT Tyler Policies and Information

See "University Policies and Information" in the course Canvas shell.

Student Resources

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Course Calendar

Week	Topics/Activities	Assignments Due
Week 1		
Mon, 1/13	Introduction to the Course	In-Class Writing Activity 1
Week 2		
Mon, 1/22	Audience and Purpose	In-Class Writing Activity 2
Week 3		
Mon, 1/27	Literacy Narrative overview	In-Class Writing Activity 3
Week 4		
Mon, 2/3	Student-Teacher Conferences Round 1	
Week 5		
Mon, 2/10		Literacy Narrative (Due Thurs, 1/30, by midnight)
Week 6		
Mon, 2/17	Claims and Evidence	In-Class Writing Activity 4
Week 7		
Mon, 2/24	Claims and Evidence, cont'd	In-Class Writing Activity 5
Week 8		
Mon, 3/3	Integrating Evidence	In-Class Writing Activity 6
Week 9		

Note: This schedule may change with reasonable advance notice, per university policy.

Mon, 3/10	Drafting workshop	Persuasive Essay (Due Thurs, 2/27, by midnight)			
Week 1	Week 10				
Mon, 3/17	Spring Break!				
Week 1	Week 11				
Mon, 3/24	Drafting and Revision	Writing Center Visit (Due Thurs, 3/6, by midnight)			
Week 12					
Mon, 3/31	Analysis	In-Class Writing Activity 7			
Week 1	Week 13				
Mon, 4/7	Analysis, cont'd	Analysis Essay (Due Thurs, 4/10, by midnight)			
Week 14	4				
Mon, 4/14	Student-Teacher Conferences Round 2				
Week 15					
Mon, 4/21	Reflection	In-Class Writing Activity 8			
Week 16					
Mon, 4/28	No Class Final Exam Week	Reflection Essay (Due Thurs, 5/1, by midnight)			