

## **Policy Statement**

UNIV 1115 (3 hours) Introduction to Academic Writing

Bickerstaff

Spring 2017 (UGA)

Office: 207 Milledge Hall

Office hours: TR 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. and others by appointment.

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## **Required Text**

Pearson MyFoundationsLab student access kit from the UGA bookstore.

## **Description**

Reviews essentials of clear, effective academic prose.

## **Some Important Class Requirements**

\*Reading of texts for comprehension of arguments, details, and evidence.

\*Completion of MyFoundationLab's individualized learning path.

\*Weekly meetings by appointment with the instructor in the instructor's office (207 Milledge Hall).

\*Use of UGA's ELC: Some of our class activities (such as submission of essays) will occur at <https://uga.view.usg.edu/>

## **Attendance**

If you miss more than two class meetings before midterm or more than two class meetings after midterm, your standing in this class will be jeopardized.

## **Course Grading**

Mini-essays: 10% (100 points): (4 @ 25 points each)

Grammar: 30% (300 points): Grammar Test 1 = 10% (100 points); Grammar Test 2 = 10% (100 points);  
Grammar Test 3 = 10% (100 points)

Essays: 60% (600 points): Essay 1 = 10% (100 points); Essay 2 = 10% (100 points); Essay 3 = 10% (100 points);  
Essay 4 = 30% (300 points).

Grade Scale: A = 900 to 1000 points; B = 800 to 899 points; C = 700 to 799 points; D = 600 to 699 points;  
F = fewer than 600 points. A minimum course grade of C (70% or 700 points) is required to exit this course.

No late work, quizzes, projects or exams will be accepted. No electronic submissions for projects required on paper will be accepted.

## **Academic Honesty**

As a University of Georgia student, you have agreed to abide by the University's academic honesty policy, "A Culture of Honesty," and the Student Honor Code. All academic work must meet the standards described in "A Culture of Honesty" found at: <https://ovpi.uga.edu/academic-honesty/academic-honesty-policy>. Lack of knowledge of the academic honesty policy is not a reasonable explanation for a violation. Questions related to course assignments and the academic honesty policy should be directed to the instructor.

## **Electronic Devices**

Disable and conceal all electronic devices, such as cellular telephones, laptop computers, tablets, and personal stereos **BEFORE** you enter the classroom. Use of such items in the classroom before or during class will not be allowed or tolerated. Specific rules about the use of laptop computers for research activities will be made clear in class.

## **Special Needs**

Students with special needs are invited and encouraged to discuss them with the instructor.

The course syllabus is a general plan for the course; deviations announced to the class by the instructor may be necessary. Be mindful of in-class housekeeping matters, so you can stay up-to-date.

### **Course Syllabus**

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5 Jan R: Welcome; day one matters; some grammar matters.

For next time: Be sure you have printed all of the grammar handouts from ELC.

10 Jan T: Grammar matters. Receive instructions for Mini-essay 1.

12 Jan R: 18 Aug R: Mini-essay 1 writing workshop.

17 Jan T: Mini-essay 1 is due. Receive instructions for Essay 1.

19 Jan R: Essay 1 writing workshop.

24 Jan T: Review for Grammar Test 1.

26 Jan R: Grammar Test 1.

31 Jan T: Review scored Grammar Test 1. Essay 1 writing workshop.

2 Feb R: Essay 1 is due to ELC. Some discussion of MLA matters.

7 Feb T: Viewing of *Mr. Holland's Opus*.

9 Feb R: Conclude viewing of *Mr. Holland's Opus* and film discussion. Receive instructions for Mini-essay 2.

14 Feb T: Writing workshop. Receive instructions for Essay 2.

16 Feb R: Essay 2 writing workshop. Mini-essay 2 is due.

21 Feb T: Essay 2 writing workshop.

23 Feb R: Essay 2 is due to ELC.

28 Feb T: Viewing of *Two American Families*. Conclude film viewing and film discussion.  
Receive instructions for Mini-essay 3.

2 Mar R: Library and research workshop. Mini-essay 3 is due. Receive instructions for Essay 3.

7 Mar T: No class meeting—UGA Spring Break.

9 Mar R: No class meeting—UGA Spring Break.

14 Mar T: Review for Grammar Test 2. Library and research workshop.

16 Mar R: Grammar Test 2.

21 Mar T: Review scored Grammar Test 2 and discussion of Essay 3 draft-in-process.

23 Mar R: Essay 3 writing workshop. Essay 3 is due to ELC. Receive instructions for Mini-essay 4.

28 Mar T: Writing workshop.

30 Mar R: Mini-essay 4 is due to ELC. Receive instructions for Essay 4.

4 Apr T: Essay 4 writing workshop.

6 Apr R: Review for Grammar Test 3. Mini-essay 4 is due.

11 Apr T: Grammar Test 3. Essay 4 writing workshop.

13 Apr R: Review scored Grammar Test 3.

18 Apr T: Essay 4 writing workshop.

20 Apr R: Essay 4 writing workshop.

25 Apr T: Last class meeting. Essay 4 writing workshop.

27 Apr R: READING DAY

Essay 4 is due to ELC by 11:59 p.m. on **2 May**.