

English Composition I

ENC 1101

Section P1231

Room 461

Fall Semester, 2024

Mondays and Wednesdays

9:30 am to 10:45 am

Final

TBA

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Office hours: As posted or by appointment

Location: 467A

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Credit/Contact hours: 3 credit hours, 3 contact hours

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Final Exam Date/Time: TBA

Required Text: Composition I: An Introduction to Academic Writing and Thinking (pdf)

This electronic textbook comes in a pdf printable and linkable format free of charge for PSC students.

Other Required Materials:

A PSC compatible version of Microsoft Word. This is not optional.

A PSC Compatible Computer. If you don't have one, there are hundreds on campus that you may use. **A cellphone is NOT a computer. Chromebook and Macs may have compatibility issues; if so, please work those issues out. Please remember that your instructors are not responsible for any computer issues you may have. Resolving your technology issues is your responsibility.** That said, PSC does have some resources to help with your technology issues. You may find help at our help desk at **(850) 471-4534.**

Canvas: You will submit the majority of your work in Canvas, and between class meetings, we will communicate using the Canvas discussion forum and our Canvas messaging system. We will spend a significant portion of the first week or so ensuring you can get online. If you have difficulties with Canvas, you can access help by clicking on the help button to the left of your Canvas screen or by calling Canvas support services at **(855) 534-1843.**

Course Description and Learning Outcomes: Please refer to the district syllabus for this course. **Essentially, if you succeed in this class, you will be able to communicate strong thinking in relatively error-free prose at a professional/academic level.** The degree of that ability will be reflected in your grade. One note to always keep in mind is that Comp I is not for Comp I. The skills you learn in here must be used beyond this class.

Grades will be calculated as follows:

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| Essays (5) | 40 % |
| Quizzes (Including Participation Quizzes) (5-10) | 10% |
| Discussion Posts (5-10) | 10% |
| Summaries (1-3) | 10% |
| Response Paragraphs (1-3) | 10% |
| Final | 20% |

Grade Scale

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| 90-100 | A |
| 88-89 | B+ |
| 80-87 | B |
| 78-79 | C+ |
| 70-77 | C |
| 68-69 | D+ |
| 60-67 | D |
| Below 60 | F |

1. This class will be conducted under the regulations defined in the Pensacola State College Code of Student Conduct in the College Catalog.
2. **Attendance: Regular, punctual attendance is required, per the Pensacola State College Catalog. Tardies (and/or leaving class early or often for any reason) will be converted to absences. If a student misses four or more days during the semester prior to the last day to withdraw, that student may be withdrawn from the class. If excessive absences occur after the last day to withdraw, the student may receive an early F after the 70% point of the semester. Students have until the 70% point in the semester to withdraw themselves. Please note that this is not an online class, so simply submitting assignments online does not count towards attendance. Attendance means being IN class on time.**
3. Cell phones should be used for educational purposes only. You may record lectures and so on, but if the instructor feels that your cellphone use is not in keeping with the educational design of the class, the cellphone should be kept out of sight. If cellphone usage becomes disruptive, the instructor will take action in accordance with PSC's Code of Student Conduct.
4. Your computer system must be compatible with PSC's system, so if you are using Apple products or Chromebook or your cellphone to write your papers, it is very likely that your system will not work with Canvas, and you will run into problems. Please diagnose and fix those problems immediately. Those problems are yours, so you must fix them. PSC has a help desk, and there is a help button in Canvas. If technical issues create problems for you, those problems are up to you to resolve, and they may not be used as excuses for not completing your work on time.
5. **Student HelpDesk for tech support: (850) 471-4534.**
6. **Canvas (eLearning) Support Hotline: (855) 534-1843.**
7. I will take no late work that is due to a technical issue on your part. Again, make sure your technology works. This is not optional.
8. Class disruptions, including but not limited to persistent talking while the instructor or another student is speaking, could result in your being

asked to leave the class. Rude behavior in discussion forums will similarly be considered a class disruption for which you may be removed from the section or even suspended from the school. The instructor will determine what constitutes rude behavior in discussion forums. Suffice it to say discussion forums are not social media posts. Your professional and academic communications must be clear, accurate, precise, deep, broad, relevant, and fair. These are [the universal intellectual standards](#), and we will study them and abide by them all semester.

9. College policy disallows visitors in the labs or classrooms, so no guests, kids, and so on.
10. If you are asked to leave class for violating class policies, you will be counted absent from class and you may not be allowed to make up work from that day. Before returning to class, you must meet with the instructor.
11. **I will not accept any late work. All work must be turned in when it is due without any excuses.**

Important Dates

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| Classes Begin | August 19 th |
| Schedule Adjustment Ends | August 23 rd |
| Last Day to Withdraw | November 5 th |
| Last Day of Term | December 13 th |
| Labor Day | September 2 nd |
| Veterans' Day | November 11 th |
| Fall Break | November 27 th to December 1 st |
| Winter Break | December 19 th to January 1 st |

Extra Help

1. Instructor during office hours or by appointment
2. The Writing Lab offers free tutoring in writing and grammar to all Pensacola State College students on a walk-in basis.
Pensacola Campus: Bldg. 4, Rm. 448 Milton Campus: Rm. 4401
Warrington Campus: Rm. 3142B South Santa Rosa Center: Rm. 5130A
Virtual Writing Lab:
<https://pensacolastate.instructure.com/courses/1325752>
3. The Student Support Services Lab is located on the Pensacola Campus, Building 6, Room 620. It provides free tutoring to students who apply to the program and meet eligibility requirements. (850-484-2028)

4. The Student Resource Center for ADA Services office is located on the Pensacola Campus. Building 6, Room 603. It assists students who have any type of special situation that impacts their learning. (850-484-1637)
5. Library home page: <http://library.pensacolastate.edu/>
6. **Student HelpDesk for tech support: (850) 471-4534**
7. **Canvas (eLearning) Support Hotline: (855) 534-1843**

Cheating, AI, and Plagiarism Policy: Plagiarism is the use of anyone else's ideas or words without giving proper credit. Cheating includes, among other things, copying someone else's work, turning in work done by someone else, or turning in work that has been submitted in another class by you or anyone else. It also includes work done by Artificial Intelligence (AI) or any sort of chat bot. This includes the use of Grammarly or other generative AI functions. If I believe that your work was created in part or in whole by any sort of AI, I may ask you to recreate your work spontaneously so that you can demonstrate that the work was indeed your own. Failure to spontaneously recreate the work I ask you to recreate will result in my assuming cheating and/or plagiarism on your part.

The consequences of either plagiarism or cheating are an automatic zero (0) on the work in question and possible failure of the course and/or discipline by the college. Please refer to the College Catalog for the college policy regarding cheating and plagiarism.

Maximum Attempts: Any student still on the official class roll after the drop period will be counted as having attempted the course whether or not he or she finishes the class. The third attempt to take a college course will cost three (3) times the cost of the first two (2) attempts.

Student Perception Surveys – EvaluationKit: During the term, you will receive a notification in PirateMail with a link to EvaluationKit, the online evaluation system used by Pensacola State College. Please take advantage of this opportunity to provide anonymous feedback to your instructors about their courses. Your opinions are valuable, and your evaluations enable instructors to assess their teaching style and help them decide what changes to consider in curriculum, textbooks, or assignments.

Note: I reserve the right to amend or revise aspects of the course syllabus and class schedule and assignments either as the result of unforeseen circumstances (hurricanes, floods, tornadoes, pandemics, ice storms, etc.), or if I feel these changes are in the best interest of the class. Any changes made to the syllabus will be announced and explained.