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Course Objectives, Student Learning Outcomes, and Promotion Requirements

Interpretation of Achievement Scale – Writing Level 4

The goal of Writing Level 4 is for students to learn to write several types of paragraphs following different rhetorical patterns. By the end of Writing Level 4, students will be able to:

--Effectively use commas for transition signals and in compound and complex sentences.

--Effectively use pre-writing strategies to develop strong paragraphs.

Writing Level 2 Teaching Objectives:

- 1.1. Use appropriate transition signals.
- 1.2. Write a listing-order paragraph.
- 1.3. Write a space-order paragraph.
- 1.4. Write a time-order paragraph.
- 1.5. Write a paragraph stating reasons.
- 1.6. Write an opinion paragraph.
- 1.7. Use correct paragraph formatting such as indentation and spacing.

Course Evaluation

Paragraphs	60%
Spelling Tests/Quizzes	10%
Comprehensive Final Exam	30%

Writing Level 4 Student Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:

Students will be able to:

For Level 4

- W4.1 Use proper spelling, capitalization, and punctuation in paragraphs.
- W4.2 Effectively use prewriting activities to develop ideas for paragraphs.
- W4.3 Use adjectives and adverbs correctly in sentences and paragraphs.
- W4.4 Effectively communicate ideas by correctly producing the basic parts of a paragraph: topic sentence, supporting sentences, and a concluding sentence.
- W4.5 Create accurate outlines to organize ideas for paragraphs.
- W4.6 Correctly format hand-written paragraphs, i.e. using headers, centering titles, utilizing margins, spacing, and indenting.
- W4.7 Correctly use appropriate conjunctions and transition signals in paragraphs.
- W4.8 Effectively revise and rewrite paragraphs based on instructor feedback.
- W4.9 Correctly use prepositional phrases in sentences and paragraphs.
- W4.10 Correctly use a variety of sentence types in paragraphs including simple, compound, and complex.
- W4.11 Produce paragraphs in the following genres: time, space and listing order, reasons, and opinion, which demonstrate command of the conventions of level appropriate grammar and usage.

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Grading Scale

EXCELLENT		GOOD		AVERAGE		REPEAT		
A+ A A-	98-100 95-97 92-94	B+ B B-	88-91 85-87 82-84	C+ C C-	78-81 74-77 71-73	R	0-70	
The student demonstrates level- appropriate English ability that is almost always accurate and is characterized by a strong competence in the SLOs listed above.		The student demonstrates level- appropriate English ability that is generally accurate and is characterized by a competence in the SLOs listed above.		The student demonstrates level- appropriate English ability that is somewhat accurate and is characterized by an emerging competence in the SLOs listed above.		The student does not demonstrate level- appropriate English ability and is incompetent in the SLOs listed above.		
Writing Level 4 Requirements for Promotion								
 Students must pass the class with a cumulative grade of C- (71%) or better. 								