

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

## **Intensive English Program**

Course Objectives, Student Learning Outcomes, and Promotion Requirements

#### Interpretation of Achievement Scale - Advanced Writing Level 7

The goals of Advanced Writing Level 7 are for students to execute 5-paragraph academic essays as well as develop basic understanding of citation styles (i.e., MLA) and research writing (i.e., extracting information from controlled academic sources and avoiding plagiarism).

#### **Advanced Writing Level 7 Teaching Objectives:**

- 1. Improve planning, drafting, revising, and reflecting on writing in academic contexts, incorporating paraphrases and quotes using MLA citation;
- 2. Identify and learn to produce writing that effectively uses appropriate conventions, formats, and language in different academic contexts;
- 3. Given the sources (a minimum of 2 controlled sources), analyze and extract information to support how they think, learn, and communicate points of view in an academic fashion;
- 4. Increase awareness of advanced grammatical structures in reading and writing (e.g., passive voice and active voice; gerunds and infinitives; modals for hedging purposes)
- 5. Develop writing skills using academic models for various rhetorical patterns (i.e., compare/contrast; summary/response)

#### **Course Evaluation**

Prewriting and Outlines	20%
Essays: First Drafts	30%
Essays: Second Drafts	25%
2 Timed Writings (including final exam)	25%

#### **Advanced Writing Level 7 Student Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Employ strategies to develop writing processes through planning, writing, and editing multiparagraph essays.
- 2. Analyze and edit their own writing processes, with assistance, developing skills in identifying cultural conventions and grammatical and lexical choices.
- 3. Compose a five-paragraph essay in each of these rhetorical modes: compare/contrast, summary-response employing North American conventions.
- 4. Employ techniques by creating successive drafts that show global and local improvement and incorporate feedback from peers and instructor
- 5. Develop academic vocabulary for varied writing contexts.
- 6. Extract information from sources



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### **Grading Scale**

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	REPEAT	
A+ 98-100 A 95-97 A- 92-94	B+ 88-91 B 85-87 B- 82-84	C+ 78-81 C 74-77 C- 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.	

## **Advanced Writing Level 7 Requirements for Promotion**

□ Students must pass the class with a cumulative grade of C- (71%) or better.