

Three Rivers Community College
Fall 2016
ESOL 063 Writing with Oral Practice and Grammar 3
CRN# 31847
SYLLABUS

Instructor: Vicky Holdridge DiFilippo

Course: ESOL 063 Writing with Oral Practice and Grammar 3

Meeting Times: Monday & Wednesday 10:30 AM – 12:10 PM

Classroom: D128

Office Location & Hours: Room C236: Mondays and Wednesdays 1:30-3:00, and by appointment

Contact Information: (860) 215-9466; vdifilippo@trcc.commnet.edu

Required Textbooks:

Heyer, Sandra. *Beyond True Stories*. Pearson Education, Inc. 2003

Azar, Betty. *Fundamentals of English Grammar (Textbook) & (Workbook)*. 4th ed. New York: Pearson, 2011

Course Description:

ESOL 063 prepares non-native English speakers for the demands of English 096 and other college-level courses. This is an integrated writing, reading, speaking, and listening course which includes advanced grammar work. Students will refine paragraph writing skills and focus on multi-paragraph compositions. Reading assignments stress critical thinking. Students will improve speaking and listening skills through group work, class discussions, and presentations. This course does not satisfy an English requirement or an elective in any degree program, nor do its credits count toward graduation.

Course Outcomes:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

Writing

- Use writing strategies including editing and revising.
- Draft multi-paragraph compositions in various patterns of organization.
- Participate effectively in peer-feedback sessions.

Reading

- Increase reading comprehension, academic vocabulary, and understanding of idiomatic expressions using non-fiction work, selections from textbooks, and authentic articles.
- Apply information from reading material to group discussions and writing.

Speaking and Listening

- Take useful notes which capture the information of lectures
- Participate in level-appropriate conversation in one-on-one and small group, and large group settings.
- Demonstrate effective public speaking strategies.

Grammar

- Demonstrate reasonable control of advanced grammatical structures in practical and academic contexts.

Attendance:

- Students are expected to attend all classes.
- Class begins and ends on time; please avoid being late or leaving early.
- It is the students' responsibility to find out what they missed if they must be absent.
- Late homework will not be accepted.
- Final Exams cannot be made up after the last day of classes.

Additional Class Expectations:

- We will speak only English in class.
- We will work together and support all classmates.
- We will participate enthusiastically in classroom activities.
- We will put away cell phones and other electronic equipment.

Weather Cancellations:

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Grading:

Students must earn a “C” or more to advance to English 096.

Grading will be determined as follows:

Group Project	10%
Writing Test	10%
Grammar and Idiom Test	15%
Reading Test	15%
Speaking Test	15%
Listening Test	15%
Final Exam	20%

College Withdrawal Policy:

A student who finds it necessary to discontinue a course once class has met must provide notice to the Registrar. Simply, fill out the withdrawal form and give it to the Registrar’s office. Withdrawal forms are available at the Registrar’s office and at the office at the sub-base. Non-punitive “W” grades are assigned to withdrawal requests. An Instructor’s signature is required after the deadline has passed. No withdrawals are permitted after the last class preceding the final exam. Students who do not obtain an official withdrawal, but simply stop attending class receive an “F” grade for the course.

UF (unearned F) Grade:

This notation is awarded to students who were enrolled in a course, did not officially withdraw, but who failed to participate in course activities through the end of the term. It is used when, in the judgment of the instructor, completed assignments and/or course activities were insufficient to make normal evaluation of academic performance possible. Students who receive this notation will have reported on their behalf a “last date of participation” by the assigning faculty member. When saved on the grade roster, this notation will immediately convert to a regular grade of F on the student’s transcript. It will be punitive and count in the GPA. The UF notation is used for internal reporting and will not appear on the student’s transcript.

Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is the unacknowledged use of another person's words or ideas in your writing. If you use any ideas, thoughts, writing, quotes, or even paraphrase some other writer's thinking, you must acknowledge that person. Whether conscious or unconscious, plagiarism is a serious academic offence. Consequences for plagiarism can range from failing the assignment to failing the course.

Disabilities:

If you have a disability that may affect your progress in this course, please meet with a Disability Service Provider (DSP) as soon as possible. Please note that accommodations cannot be provided until you provide written authorization from a DSP.

College Disabilities Service Provider	
Matt Liscum, Counselor (860) 215-9265 Room A113	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learning Disabilities• ADD/ADHD• Autism Spectrum• Mental Health Disabilities
Elizabeth Willcox, Advisor (860) 215-9289 Room A113	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical Disabilities• Mobility Disabilities• Sensory Disability