

Syllabus

English K 094: Reading, Discussing, and Writing

**Three Rivers Community College
Thames Campus
Norwich, Connecticut 06360**

Wed. / Fri., 6:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

4 Semester Hours

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Course Description

This is a fundamental course in understanding the ideas of others as well as expressing one's own. This course provides instruction in reading, discussion, and writing skills, which develop thinking and ideas. Through participating in the three processes, students will come to understand how one supports the other, and how clear and directed thinking depends on them.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of English 094, students will be able to:

- Synthesize the process of reading, discussing, and writing to articulate their ideas clearly
- Demonstrate proficiency in literal reading comprehension skills and a growing ability to use inferential skills
- Employ an increases reading and speaking vocabulary
- Write responses effectively both in paragraph and short essay format and based on ideas garnered from reading and speaking vocabulary
- Employ strategies for effectively editing
- Summarize readings typically assigned in college level classes
- Participate actively and effectively in group discussions

Textbooks and Other Materials

A Community of Readers: A Thematic Approach to Reading, 4th Ed, Alexander and Lombardi

A dictionary/thesaurus

A three ring binder, appropriate paper, an index dividers

A Writer's Reference, Hacker (optional)

Grading

Final grades will be a letter grade, **A-F**.

Students must earn a "C" or better to pass this course.

Grade is based on:

Reading all assigned work and coming to class prepared

Quizzes and Reading Responses

Learning new vocabulary and using it in appropriate context

Demonstrated ability to summarize material

Mastery Tests

Mid term exam

Final exam

Writing assignments

Attendance

Late work will receive a grade penalty

Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend all classes.

It is the student's responsibility to find out and complete the assignments for any missed class. It would be helpful to exchange a phone number with another student in the class.

Quizzes and tests cannot be made up without prior arrangement with the instructor.

Work is due on the dates stated in the course outline.

Cell Phone

The use of cell phones is not allowed within the classroom.