

## Second Year Writing Course Outline

### **Course Description**

This course will take students to the next level of English writing, and build upon what they learned in the first year writing course.

Students will learn how to structure and write effective paragraphs and essays in English, and students will learn how to express themselves in English in a more idiomatic manner.

### **Learning Outcomes**

- Students will learn how to write grammatically more advanced sentences in English.
- Students will learn how to turn paragraphs into effective essays in English.
- Students will learn how to effectively edit their own writing and that of their peers.
- Students will learn how to answer short essay questions.

### **Course Content**

- Paragraph and Essay formatting
- Transitions
- Coordinating conjunctions
- Correlative conjunctions
- The four types of determiners
- Parallel structure
- Tenses and times shifts
- Noun clauses
- Adding variety to your writing
- Thesis, supporting ideas, supporting details
- Introduction and conclusion
- Preparing the outline
- Writing the rough draft
- Writing the final draft
- Narrative, comparison, cause-effect, argument, and reaction/response essays
- Short essay-type exam questions

### **Grading Criteria**

Writing assignments	40%
Peer editing	10%
In-class work and assignments	10%
Mid-term essay assignment	20%
Final exam	20%