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**\* Course Title: Essay Writing**

**\* Course No.: 102116**

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**\* Course Description: The course helps students in attaining the necessary proficiency to perform academic writing at the college level. The course also offers great help in developing the skills of students to become competent, independent writers. The main focus of the course is on writing essays, structure, arrangement, techniques, and mechanics.**

**\* Objectives: 1-To teach students how to write an argument, a narrative, comparing and contrasting, and a process description.**

**2-To provide students with mechanics of grammar needed for essay writing.**

**3-To enable students work on developing updated topics needed for the writing process.**

**\* General Outcome: The target of this course is to get students write independently and provide them with the tools to produce well-written, thoughtful, and tightly organized academic writing.**

Week	Dates	Ch. & PP.	Remarks
First	18-22/10/2015	Beginning the essay process	
Second	25-29/10/2015	Mechanics of grammar	
Third	1-5/11/2015	Summary writing	
Fourth	8-12/11/2015	Planning for writing	
Fifth	15-19/11/2015	Practice & exercises	
Sixth	22-11 up to 6-12/2015		The first Exam
Seventh			
Eighth			
Ninth	13-17/12/2015	Classifying and comparing	
Tenth	20-24/12/2015	Cause and effect analysis	
Eleventh	27-12-2015 up to 10-1-2016		The second Exam
Twelfth			
Thirteenth			
Fourteenth	17-21/1/2016	Using argumentation- narrative writing	
Fifteenth	24-28/1/2016	Process description	
Sixteen	31-1 up to 11-2-2016		The Final Exam

**\* Assessment instruments**

1. Short reports and / or presentation, and / or short research projects.
2. First and second exams
3. Attendance and participations
4. Final exam

Grade Distribution	
Assessment instruments	Marks
First examination	25
Second Examination	25
Participation	10
Final examination	40
Total	100

**\* Textbook and Supporting Material**

**1. Teresa D. O'Donnell & Judith L. Paiva. *Independent Writing* (Boston: Heinle & Heinle Publishers, 1993).**

**2. Don Shiach, *How to write Essay* (Oxford: How to Books Ltd, 2007).**

**3. Karen Ashford, *How To Write Essay in Five Steps* (London: Scribendi Inc., 2013).**

**4. Molly McClain, *Writing Great Essays* (New York: Mc Graw-Hill,1999).**

**5. Beth Elliott& Jane Lierman, *Essay Writing Made Easy* (New York: Scholastic Inc., 2011).**

**6. Marilyn Pryle, *Teaching Students to Write Effective Essays* (New York: Scholastic Teaching Resources, 2007).**