

Course Objectives/Course Outline
Spokane Community College

Course Title: Improvement of Writing
Prefix and Course Number: ENGL 099

Course Learning Outcomes:
By the end of this course, a student should be able to:

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Course Outline:

- I. Essay writing process
 - A. Pre-write
 1. Select and narrow a topic
 2. Develop a claim
 3. Outline/diagram the essay
 - a. Identify supporting points
 - b. Identify supporting evidence
 - B. Draft
 - C. Revise
 - D. Edit
- II. Reading Process
 - A. Preview the text
 1. Identify the topic
 2. Identify the author's thesis
 3. Establish a purpose for reading
 - B. Annotate the text
 1. Divide the text into manageable chunks
 2. Select major details
 3. Write annotations for major details
- III. Writing with Sources
 - A. Read and annotate your text
 - B. Compose the claim you wish to make about the text
 - C. Create a diagram or outline of how you will support your claim
 - D. Select quotes from your text that would help prove your supporting points
 - E. Embed relevant quotes in each body paragraph
 - F. Properly cite quotes in the essay and the text at the end of the essay
- IV. Reflective Writing
 - A. Before this course
 1. Characterize your writing ability and process prior to the course
 2. Select evidence from your early writing to support your claim
 - B. After this course
 1. Analyze your current writing ability and process now that you have completed the course
 2. Select evidence from your current writing to support your claim

C. In future courses

1. Select characteristics regarding your current writing ability and process which you can improve
2. Select areas of strength in your current writing ability and process which you can continue to build upon
3. Offer yourself advice for approaching future writing projects in future classes