



## Course Specifications

<b>Course Title:</b>	Writing 1
<b>Course Code:</b>	ENG 113-3
<b>Program:</b>	Bachelor of English
<b>Department:</b>	English
<b>College:</b>	College of Languages and Translation
<b>Institution:</b>	Najran University

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## A. Course Identification

<b>1. Credit hours:</b> 3
<b>2. Course type</b> <b>a.</b> University <input type="checkbox"/> College <input type="checkbox"/> Department <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> <b>b.</b> Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elective <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>3. Level/year at which this course is offered:</b> <b>Level I/ First Year</b>
<b>4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any):</b> None
<b>5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):</b> None

### 6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom		
2	Blended		
3	E-learning		% 100
4	Distance learning		
5	Other		

### 7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1	Lecture	45
2	Laboratory/Studio	
3	Tutorial	15
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Others (specify) – Assignment feedback &amp; Discussion Forum</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	40
	<b>Total</b>	100

## B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

### 1. Course Description

The course guides students step-by-step towards writing simple and accurate paragraphs, paying close attention to sentence structure, verb formation, punctuation and spelling. Continuous graded practice is provided through a variety of exercise types such as reading comprehension, gap filling, table completion, **correction of mistakes** and **writing sentences** and paragraphs using tabular information. All the exercises are based on realistic topics and language functions, which are motivating to students and useful in real life situations.

### 2. Course Main Objective

To improve **students'** skills of writing well-formed sentences out of a group of words, writing a grammatically correct, coherent and cohesive paragraph, use punctuation marks, transitional words and capitalization correctly, change pictorial or charts-based information into a well-written paragraph.

### 3. Course Learning Outcomes

CLOs		Aligned PLOs
1	<b>Knowledge and Understanding</b>	
K1	Recognize the basic grammatical, punctuation & syntactic rules for writing correct English.	K1
K2	Identify the elements of writing a paragraph: the topic sentence & supporting sentences and concluding sentence as well as cohesion and coherence.	K1
2	<b>Skills :</b>	
S1	Write well-formed sentences using correct vocabulary, grammar, punctuation & spelling.	S3
S2	Write grammatically correct cohesive and coherent paragraphs about different topics.	S3
3	<b>Values:</b>	
V1	Bear responsibility for self-study and self-improvement.	V1
V2	Make the right choices about the subjects related to his major.	V2
V3	Show self-confidence during the activities and tasks assigned to him.	V3

### C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1	Part 1 – unit 1 – Sentence Basics	6
2	Part 1 – unit 2 – Adding Information to Sentences	6
3	Part 1 – unit 3 – Simple and Compound Sentences	6
4	Part 2 – unit 1 – Friendly Letters and Postcards	6
5	Part 2 – unit 2 – Emails and blogs	3
6	Part 2 – unit 3 – Journals	3
∇	Part 3 – Unit 1 – Paragraph Basics and Topic Sentences	3
∧	Part 3 – Unit 2 – Supporting and Concluding Sentences	6
∩	Part 3 – Unit 3 – Listing Paragraph	3
∪	Part 3 – Unit 4 – Writing Instructions	3
<b>Total</b>		45

### D. Teaching and Assessment

#### 1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	<b>Knowledge and Understanding</b>		
1.1	Recognize the basic grammatical, punctuation & syntactic rules for writing correct English.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lecturing</li> <li>• Presentations</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Midterm exams</li> <li>• <b>Final exam</b></li> <li>• <b>Assignments &amp; Quizzes</b></li> </ul>
1.2	Identify the elements of writing a paragraph: the topic sentence & supporting sentences and concluding sentence as well as		

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	cohesion and coherence.		
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Skills</b>		
2.1	Write well-formed sentences using correct vocabulary, grammar, punctuation & spelling.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Midterm exams</li> <li>• <b>Final exam</b></li> <li>• <b>Assignments &amp; Quizzes</b></li> </ul>
2.2	Write grammatically correct cohesive and coherent paragraphs about different topics.		
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Values</b>		
3.1	Bear the responsibility for self-study and self-improvement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Observation Cards</li> </ul>
3.2	Make the right choices about the subjects related to his major.		
3.3	Show self-confidence during the activities and tasks assigned to him.		

## 2. Assessment Tasks for Students

#	Assessment task*	Week Due	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Midterm Exam 1	7	20%
2	Midterm Exam 2	11	20%
3	Final Examination	16/17	50%
4	Online participation & Quizzes	To be decided by teacher	10%

\*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

## E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

### Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice :

Teaching staff member is available 10 hours per week for student consultations (office hours, in addition to 6 hours for academic advising)

Additionally:

- 1) Students are divided according to their levels among faculty members for academic counseling and consultation.
- 2) Names of distinguished students are given to a particular faculty member for guidance and academic counseling.
- 3) Names of low-performing students are given to a particular faculty member for guidance and academic counseling.
- 4) Complaints and suggestions file is assigned to a particular committee faculty member for discussion and problem solving.
- 5) Academic Advising icon is activated online through the University gate.
- 6) Daily Follow-up is conducted to ensure the availability of teaching staff member to offer consultations and academic advice for students.
- 7) Varied social media means are used to communicate with students (What's app., e-mails, etc., in addition to creating forums for students on the blackboard system)

## F. Learning Resources and Facilities

### 1. Learning Resources

<b>Required Textbooks</b>	Blanchard, Karen (2012). <i>Writing Power 1</i> . USA: Pearson Education.
<b>Essential References Materials</b>	Kelly, Curtis and Arlen Gargagliano (2011). <i>Writing from Within 1</i> . Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
<b>Electronic Materials</b>	<a href="http://www2.actden.com/writ_den/index.htm">http://www2.actden.com/writ_den/index.htm</a> <a href="http://www.angelfire.com/wi/writingprocess/">http://www.angelfire.com/wi/writingprocess/</a> <a href="http://depts.gallaudet.edu/englishworks/">http://depts.gallaudet.edu/englishworks/</a> <a href="http://leo.stcloudstate.edu/index.html">http://leo.stcloudstate.edu/index.html</a> <a href="http://owl.english.purdue.edu/handouts/">http://owl.english.purdue.edu/handouts/</a>
<b>Other Learning Materials</b>	All learning material is uploaded on the blackboard system in the form of PowerPoint presentations, echo lectures & also electronic versions of available textbooks/references.

### 2. Facilities Required

Item	Resources
<b>Accommodation</b> (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.)	Lecture rooms that accommodate a large number of students.
<b>Technology Resources</b> (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)	Laptop or desktop computer, data show & smart board.
<b>Other Resources</b> (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list)	NA

## G. Course Quality Evaluation

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	Evaluation Methods
Effectiveness of Teaching	Students	Indirect
Evaluation of Teaching by the Program/Department Instructor	Self-evaluation report, Peer evaluation, Program Leader	Direct & Indirect

**Evaluation areas** (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

**Evaluators** (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

## H. Specification Approval Data

<b>Council / Committee</b>	Council of English Department
<b>Reference No.</b>	1
<b>Date</b>	24/12/1440