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Course Number: ENG 100 H5F

Course Title: Effective Writing

Course Description: This course will provide you the opportunity to learn, practice, and refine some of the basic skills you will require to write effectively at university. You will learn how to develop claims and structure ideas in different styles of essay writing, including expository, analytical, and argumentative. You will develop strategies for reading essay and assignment questions, brainstorming topics and planning your essays. You will learn how to read critically and closely, and how to integrate your reading into your writing. You will consider what it means to use sources ethically and you will develop strategies for avoiding plagiarism. You will learn how to edit your own work for consistency and correctness of style, grammar and idiom.

Required Reading:

Jack Finnbogason and Al Valleau, *A Canadian Writer's Guide, Fourth Edition*. Nelson Education, 2011. (ISBN 0-17-0650032-4)

First Three Texts/Authors to be Studied: Jack Finnbogason and Al Valleau, *A Canadian Writer's Guide, Fourth Edition*. Nelson Education, 2011. (ISBN 0-17-0650032-4)

Method of Instruction: Lecture and peer-group work.

Method of Evaluation: Participation, in-class exercises, four short essays and a final exam.