

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary**

Course Prefix and Number: ESL 18

Credits: 6

Course Title: English as a Second Language: Writing Workshop

Course Description (including lecture hours, lab hours, total contacts)

Provides further practice in advanced writing techniques. Provides reinforcement in writing skills, including composing, organizing, revising and editing. Lecture 6 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

To prepare students for college-level English writing proficiency.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites (*Entry-level competencies **required** for enrollment*)

Recommendation of department following satisfactory completion of ESL 13 or appropriate placement test.

Course Objectives (Each item should complete the following sentence.)

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- A. Compose writing that maintains a focus on a unifying idea.
- B. Develop and support ideas with relevant detail drawn as needed from direct experience, reading, or reflection.
- C. Show how the ideas in a piece of writing relate to each other (through paragraphing, transition, organizational patterns).
- D. Compose complete sentences, using a variety of structures.
- E. Use standard edited English consistency, identifying their most frequent problems and detecting and correcting most of these in their own writing.
- F. Use word processing to edit and revise their documents.

Major Topics to be Included

- A. Language: Practicing varied grammatical structures using standard edited English usage and syntax: developing vocabulary.
- B. Compose writing that maintains a focus on a unifying idea.
- C. Rhetoric: Developing audience awareness; evaluating cohesion and coherence.

Effective Date of Course Content Summary (Month, Date Year): 2/13/09