

## **NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

### **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** Elementary Writing and Reading Skills Development **Course #:** ASD\* 092

**Course Description:** A developmental course exclusively for Deaf and Hard of Hearing students focusing on improving reading comprehension skills, building a strong vocabulary, improving grammatical and mechanical writing skills, and writing unified, cohesive, clearly-expressed paragraphs. Instruction will employ TESOL techniques in an approach that integrates reading and writing. Does not fulfill degree credit requirements. 6 semester hours.

**Pre-requisite/Co-requisite:** Completion of ASD 087 with a grade of C or better, or Accuplacer Test scores of less than or equal to 50 on either the CA03 (Reading Comprehension) or CA 04 (Sentence Skills) subtests

**Goals:** The ultimate goal of this course is to prepare the student for success in ASD 093 (Intermediate Writing and Reading Skills Development) by developing a strong recall vocabulary, reading comprehension skills, and competencies in writing paragraphs in a variety of rhetorical modes.

**Outcomes:** At the conclusion of the course the student will demonstrate competency in

- 1) finding main ideas in paragraphs and short selections.
- 2) identifying topics, main ideas, supporting details, and patterns of organization
- 3) distinguishing between major and minor details.
- 4) drawing basic inferences from texts
- 5) recall of vocabulary using contextual clues
- 6) writing clear, grammatically correct sentences and the ability to create sentences which reflect compound and complex thought patterns
- 7) the use of mapping, outlining, brainstorming and free-writing as prewriting strategies
- 8) composition of unified, coherent paragraphs which contain topic sentences, appropriate supporting details, and a concluding sentence
- 9) writing basic-level compositions exhibiting a variety of rhetorical modes, situations and contexts

## College Policies

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanctions ranging from failure of the assignment (receiving a zero), failing the course, being removed/expelled from the program and/or the College. Please refer to your “Student Handbook” under “Policy on Student Rights,” the Section entitled “Student Discipline,” or the College catalog for additional information.

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):** The College will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities. Students should notify Dr. Christine Woodcock, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6318 and her email is [cwoodcock@nwcc.edu](mailto:cwoodcock@nwcc.edu).

**School Cancellations:** If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations and posted on the College’s website at [www.nwcc.edu](http://www.nwcc.edu). Students may also call the College directly at **(860) 738-6464** to hear a recorded message concerning any inclement weather closings. Students are urged to exercise their own judgment if road conditions in their localities are hazardous.

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**Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team:** NCCC is committed to creating a community that is safe and supportive of people of all gender and sexual identities. This pertains to the entire campus community, whether on ground or virtual, students, faculty, or staff.

Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim’s needs. SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

The NCCC team members are:

Ruth Gonzalez, Ph.D.	860-738-6315	Green Woods Hall Room 207
Susan Berg	860-738-6342	Green Woods Hall Room 223
Kathleen Chapman	860-738-6344	Green Woods Hall Room 110
Michael Emanuel	860-738-6389	Founders Hall Annex Room 308
Seth Kershner	860-738-6481	Library
Jane O’Grady	860-738-6393	Founders Hall Annex Room 212
Robin Orloski	860-738-6416	Business Office Room 201
Patricia Bouffard, Ex-Officio	860-738-6319	Founders Hall Room 103
Savannah Schmitt		Student Representative

At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.