

ENGL 0043: Integrated Reading and Writing

Spring 2021 | Midwestern State University | Wonjeong Kim

Section	Days	Time	Place
2R3	MWF	8:00am - 8:50am	PY205

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Office Hours: MWF 10:00 am - 12:00 pm,
TR 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, & by appointment

Texts:

- **CTW** - ENGL 0043: Langan, John. *Clear Thinking and Writing*. Townsend Press. 2019.

Required Materials:

- Note-taking materials
- D2L access
- Regular computer and internet access
- Webcam/microphone (for Zoom meetings when necessary)

Course Goals:

- Acquire vocabulary skills necessary for college-level coursework
- Identify the structural elements of written materials
- Demonstrate ability to think critically
- Write paragraphs and thesis-based essays that provide strong support and specific details
- Engage in a writing process that includes invention, drafting, and revision
- Demonstrate proficient use of Standard Written English

Course Requirements:

Writing Quizzes: *Clear Thinking and Writing* teaches point and support, argument, and relationships in writing. After practicing these ideas and skills, you will demonstrate your competence on a D2L writing quiz.

Grammar Quizzes: You will take 5 quizzes on D2L outside of class so that you can use your *Clear Thinking and Writing* textbook and class notes while you test and practice the skills.

Participation & In-class work: Participation is one of the key aspects in this course. Any work done and submitted during class will count towards your grade. Also, you are expected to behave as responsible adults in class; please keep in mind the following information regarding classroom etiquettes and in-class work:

- i. Arrive on time and do not leave early
- ii. Be prepared to verbally participate in class discussion
- iii. Raise hand before speaking
- iv. Do not chatter with your neighbor when others are talking
- v. Do not text, surf the internet, or take calls during class
- vi. Please follow the university's social distancing guidelines.

● Participation & In-class Work	10%
● 5 Grammar Quizzes (taken in D2L)	20%
● 5 Writing Quizzes (taken in D2L)	20%
● Homework (workbook)	20%
● Research Paper (*shared with 1143)	20%
● Final Exam (taken in D2L)	10%

Final Exam:

The ENGL 0043 final exam will be submitted electronically through D2L. It is scheduled for Monday, April 26 at 1:00 pm, but I will have the exam window available from Monday, April 26 at 8:00 am through 10:00 pm.

Grading Scale:

This class will not use the plus/minus grading system. In this class, the following numerical equivalents for final grades are used:

A = 100-90%	indicates excellent work
B = 89-80%	indicates good work
C = 79-70%	indicates satisfactory work
D = 69-60%	indicates passing work
F = 59-0	indicates failing work

Consequently, essays that meet the basic requirements earn a C, not an A or B. If you wish to earn A's and B's, you will have to work harder to produce better than satisfactory, or average, writing. A grade of C or better is required by the university to receive credit for this course.

Extra Credit Policy:

Course Reflection Essay ----- (up to 2%): You can submit a course reflection essay where you will write about your experience about this course. Further instructions for the Course Reflection Essay will be available in D2L.

Midterm Grades: In order to help students keep track of their progress toward course objectives, I will provide a Midterm Progress Report through each student's WebWorld account. I will submit a grade for all students, not just those in danger of failing the course. Midterm grades will not be reported on the students' transcript; nor will they be calculated in the cumulative GPA. They simply give you an idea of where you stand at the midpoint of the semester. Students earning below a C at the midway point should make an appointment with me and consider visiting the Writing Center.

Submission Format and Policy: All formal assignments are to be typed and formatted – and outside sources documented - according to MLA style. All formal papers will be uploaded into the D2L Dropbox folder.

By enrolling in this class, the student expressly grants MSU a “limited right” in all intellectual property created by the student for the purpose of this course. The “limited right” shall include but shall not be limited to the right to reproduce the student's work product in order to verify originality and authenticity, and for educational purposes.

Note: You may not submit a paper for a grade in this class that already has been (or will be) submitted for a grade in another course, unless you obtain the explicit written permission of me and the other instructor involved in advance.

Late Assignment Policy: Late assignments, defined as work not submitted by the start of class on the designated due date, will be accepted, but they will lose 10% of the final grade. Additionally, no late work will be accepted more than 48 hours after the original deadline. If you are unable to come to class on the day an assignment is due, you should still upload it into the D2L Dropbox folder on time to avoid late paper deductions.

Academic Dishonesty: Plagiarism is the use of someone else's thoughts, words, ideas, or lines of argument in your own work without appropriate documentation (a parenthetical citation at the end and a listing on the Works Cited page)–whether you use that material in a quote, paraphrase, or summary. All formal papers will run through the Turnitin for an originality report. At the very least, plagiarism will result in an F on the assignment; at worst, the consequence will be an F in the course. Offenders will be reported to the Chair of the Department of English, Humanities, and Philosophy and/or the Director of Student Conduct.

Students with Disabilities: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal antidiscrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Disability Support Services in Room 168 of the Clark Student Center, 940-397-4140

Safe Zone Statement: The professor considers this classroom to be a place where you will be treated with respect as a human being – regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, religious affiliation, sexual orientation, political beliefs, age, or ability. Additionally, diversity of thought is appreciated and encouraged, provided you can agree to disagree. It is the professor's expectation that ALL students consider the classroom a safe environment.

Contacting Your Instructor: Email is the best way to contact me. In the body of your email, indicate the course and section number you're in. Please allow at least 24 hours for a response during the week and 48 hours over the weekend.

Attendance Policy: It is important that you attend class and arrive on time, whether in person or remotely via Zoom. If you have a total of more than two weeks' worth (MWF 6 classes) of absences (excused or not) the missed instruction will make it difficult for you to excel in the class. Students who miss class will not be directly penalized, but they will miss out on opportunities for participation and explanations of assignments that could impact the final grade. If you need to miss several classes because of personal reasons, you should alert the Dean of Students office and provide them with the necessary documentation so that they can verify the situation for all of your instructors. Please see the MSU Texas Return to Campus webpage for more information should you begin to experience COVID-19 symptoms.

Writing Center: Tutoring and Academic Support Programs (TASP) provides free drop-in tutoring for MSU students. Located on the first floor of Moffett Library, TASP's Learning Center provides tutoring support in a number of core courses and subject areas. Writing tutors are available Monday through Thursday from 11:00am to 6:00pm and Sunday 2:00pm to 9:00pm. Remember that you don't need an appointment to utilize these services.

For Distance Education students, TASP has partnered with Thinkingstorm, an online tutoring company that provides you with high-quality, 24/7 tutoring support. Located at the top of your D2L course page, select the tutoring tab to book an appointment with a tutor.

Writing Proficiency Requirement: All students seeking a Bachelor's degree from Midwestern State University must satisfy a writing proficiency requirement once they have 1) completed 6 hours of Communication Core and 2) earned 60 hours. Students may meet this requirement by passing either the Writing Proficiency Exam or English 2113. If you have any questions about the exam, visit the Writing Proficiency Office website at <https://msutexas.edu/academics/wpr/> or call 397-4131.

Campus Carry Statement: Senate Bill 11 passed by the 84th Texas Legislature allows licensed handgun holders to carry concealed handguns on campus, effective August 1, 2016. Areas excluded from concealed carry are appropriately marked, in accordance with state law. For more information regarding campus carry, please refer to the University's webpage at MSU Texas's Campus Carry page.