**English 125-73571**

**TWTH 9:00-11:10am, SOC 35**

**Summer 2016**

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**Course Description**

This course will help you develop your reading and writing skills and prepare you for the kinds of writing you will do in future academic courses. You will learn how to read material and understand its purpose and how it functions. You will also learn how to respond to reading material in your writing by using the techniques of accomplished writers. You will learn how to formulate a thesis, provide examples and supporting research, organize your ideas, and review and revise your writing and the writing of others so that it is both clear and persuasive.

**Required Textbook:** *The Least You Should Know about English: Writing Skills Form A* (12th edition) by Paige Wilson and Teresa Ferster Glazier.

**Assignments and Late Work Policy:** We will have a total of six major assignments. In addition to the major assignments, there will be three quizzes and several smaller assignments that will be worth points. Of the first four major assignments, I will accept them late but no later than a week after the due date; furthermore, your grade will be dropped 5% every day the assignment is late. The last two assignments, however, have to be turned in during the final class day, no exceptions. Of the smaller assignments, I will not collect them late. In the event of plagiarism (see Schedule of Courses for more information), the students will fail the assignment or the class depending on the nature and severity of the offense.

**Attendance Policy:** If you miss more than 3 class days during the first five weeks, you may be dropped from the course. Smaller assignments will be collected at the beginning of class or after the break and if you’re not present, you will not receive credit for them.

**Tentative Schedule of Major Assignments:**

Essay 1—Due Thursday, June 2nd

Essay 2—Due Thursday, June 9th

Essay 3—Due Wednesday, June 22nd

Essay 4—Due Wednesday, June 6th

Essay 5 and In-class Exam—Due Thursday, July 28th

**Grading:** Your final grade will be determined by the number of points you have accumulated by the end of the semester. The grading scale will be as follows: A 90-100%, B 80-89%, C 70-79%, D 60-69%, F 59% and below.

**Last Day to Drop with a W: June 24th.**

**Final Exam: July 28th, at 9:00am.**

**Please Note:** Instructor reserves the right to make changes in this syllabus as deemed necessary or appropriate.