# Reedley College Proposed Course Modification 

## Course \# / Title

## English 262, Reading Improvement

## CHECK OFF SHEET

PRELIMINARY STEPS. Do before completing Course Modification Form.

## (EACH BOX SHOULD BE CHECKED AS COMPLETED BEFORE SUBMISSION.)

1. Communicate with the Curriculum Chair regarding intent to modify an existing course outline (recommended, not required).2. List term for implementation of modifications:

X Fall $2010 \quad \square$ Spring $\qquad$ Summer3. Check one:

Do not complete Fresno City College course alignment page if:
No similar course or program at FCC.
X Course currently in common with FCC course or accepted in lieu of and changes will not affect status.

Complete Fresno City College course alignment page if:
Course currently in common with FCC course or accepted in lieu of. Changes may affect status. Consult
$\qquad$ with counterparts at FCC and complete alignment page
Course not in common or accepted in lieu of but may be with proposed changes consult with FCC
$\qquad$ counterparts
4. Changes sought in the following:

| CSU General Education Code | Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Transfer Baccalaureate List | Yes ___ | No |

If yes to either, schedule an appointment with the Articulation Officer
5. Changes sought in number of repeats for credit:
$\qquad$ Yes No

If yes, secure a Course Repetition form from the Curriculum Office. PROPOSED COURSE MODIFICATION FORM
$\square$ Appropriate sections of Course Outline of Record completed.
FINAL steps (Do after completing Course Outline of Record)1. Signature Form. Secure signatures of the Department Chair and the Associate Dean before submitting the completed course proposal to the Curriculum Office.
2. Program Description. Course modification will change an existing program which is or will be described in the college catalogue.
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If yes, complete Program Description Form before submitting modification.3. Final Check. All items above have been completed and checked off before modification is submitted.

## Reedley College <br> PROPOSED COURSE MODIFICATION

All changes and modifications in the official course outline must come to the Curriculum Committee. Though minor changes may seem obvious, even these need to come to committee for information and to update the official curriculum. Changes in programs or in several department offerings should be submitted together if possible so that the whole picture is clear.

OUTLINE. Please fill in current existing course number, title, and units for course to be modified.

| Department | Reading and Languages | Course No. English 262 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
|  | Reading Improvement | Units 4.0 |

Effective Date Fall 2010
A. PROPOSED CHANGES.
(Indicate below all proposed changes to be made in the course outline.)
I. Cover Page


1. Course ID
2. Course Title
3. Units
4. Lecture/Lab Hours
5. Grading Basis

X 6. Entrance Skills: Basic Skills Prerequisites/Advisories
X 7. Subject Prerequisites/Corequisites/Advisories
Other pages
$\qquad$ II. Course Outcomes
III. Course Objectives
IV. Course Content Outline
V. Approved Readings
8. Classification (Degree applicable, Non-degree applicable, or Pre-collegiate Basic skills)
9. General Education Pattern, Graduation Requirement, and Major Category
10. General Education Pattern/Baccalaureate (CSU)
11. Repeatability
12. Catalog Description
$\qquad$
___ VI. Methods of Grading
VII. Levels of Educational Materials

Additional Pages (optional depending on course)
Request for Repeatability/Limitation on Enrollment

## B. DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES AND MODIFICATIONS.

| ITEM NO. | CHANGED FROM | CHANGED TO | REASON |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 6 | English 260 or placement by <br> college assessment process |  | a. CB 21 coding rubrics place English 260 and <br> ESL 266R at the same level. <br> b. Content review by discipline faculty <br> determines that ESL 266R outcomes prepare <br> students for success in English 262. <br> c. The proposed prerequisites mirror those <br> approved for English 252 in fall 2009 and thus <br> provide similar pathways from ESL to <br> developmental reading and developmental <br> composition, |
| 7 |  | English 260 or ESL 266R or <br> placement by college assessment <br> process |  |
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## (Additional sheets may be attached if necessary.)

C. EXPLANATIONS. If course modification results in changes in the program which will require use of the program description form, please give rationale.

Please attach the complete outline before modifications to this form. If only the first page of the outline is being modified, also attach the new first page. If other pages of the outline are being modified, please attach the complete new outline.

# Reedley College SIGNATURE FORM 

## Submission/ Recommendation/Action

Course Department and Number: English 262
Course Title: Reading Improvement
Effective Date:
Fall 2010

1. Submitted By: R. Delgado, N. Maryanow, M. van Wyhe_Date: April 15, 2010
2. Reviewed by Department: $\frac{\text { M. van Wyhe }}{\text { Department Chair's Signature }}$

Date:
April 15, 2010 Attach department recommendation. (optional)
3. Received/Reviewed by Dean of Instruction: $\qquad$ Date:
Dean's Signature
4. Approved by Curriculum Committee on: $\qquad$

Curriculum Committee Chair
Date

Vice President of Instruction
Date
5. Reviewed by Articulation Officer: $\qquad$

CSU GE Code submitted for articulation: $\qquad$

## CREDIT COURSE OUTLINE

## I. COVER PAGE

(1)

Course ID: ENGL 262
(2)

Course Title: Reading Improvement
(3)

Units: 4.0

(8)Classification:

Degree applicable:
hort-term course: hour(s) per week outside work.
(6)Basic Skills Prerequisites:

(12)Catalog Description:

A variety of group and individual skill development activities in phonetic and structural analysis, basic contextual vocabulary, and literal and basic comprehension skills to foster independent reading proficiency. Successful completion of this course will prepare students for English 126. Recommended to be taken concurrently with English 252 or English 125.

## II. COURSE OUTCOMES:

## (Specify the learning skills the student demonstrates through completing the course and link critical thinking skills to specific course content and objectives.)

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:
A. apply a variety of vocabulary techniques for increased comprehension during reading.
B. utilize expanded vocabulary in original writing tasks.
C. apply prereading strategies and active reading strategies to increase success with and comprehension of unfamiliar texts.
D. identify the main idea or central point of texts of varying lengths from textbooks and periodicals and infer logical conclusions from what is read.
E. conduct basic research using traditional and electronic resources.
F. summarize a variety of reading tasks without plagiarizing texts.
G. utilize effective study techniques to improve comprehension and metacognition while reading for information.
H. demonstrate more confidence as a reader through successful application of learned reading strategies.

## III. COURSE OBJECTIVES:

## (Specify major objectives in terms of the observable knowledge and/or skills to be attained.)

In the process of completing this course, students will:

## Cognitive objectives:

A. use a variety of vocabulary techniques in the process of reading, including structural analysis, dictionary skills, and context clues.
B. demonstrate an increased active vocabulary by using new words in new, original context sentences.
C. apply active prereading techniques to aid concentration and comprehension.
D. use active reading strategies to aid concentration, comprehension, and retention.
E. actively apply self-check comprehension of text.
F. identify or state the topic and main idea or central point of texts of various lengths from textbooks and periodicals.
G. discern the basic cognitive structure, or pattern, of a text as a whole.
H. learn relative importance of ideas from whole to part and part to whole.
I. use transition words to distinguish importance of and relationships among ideas.
J. write summaries of fiction and nonfiction text without plagiarizing or stringing together author's phrases.
K. analyze readings to form inferences which are logically supported by what is read.
L. learn to apply effective study techniques to reading tasks.
M. respond to text orally and in writing.

N . learn to use basic research skills.

## Affective objectives:

A. develop a coping attitude toward reading in general, but especially to challenging text.
B. develop a positive attitude toward lifelong reading.

## IV. COURSE CONTENT OUTLINE:

All units are taught as an integrated part of the whole process of reading acquisition, and units are combined throughout the semester to facilitated distributed practice.
A. Context Vocabulary Skills

1. Word Attack Skills; i.e., word parts and derivational suffixes
2. Context Clues; e.g., examples, synonyms, antonyms, world knowledge
B. Dictionary Skills
3. Guide words and usage labels to find the relevant meanings of words found in text
4. Parts of speech (noun, verb, adjective, adverb) to select relevant meanings
5. Pronunciation guide
C. Prereading Strategies
6. Surveying for length
7. Skimming to predict difficulty
8. Using questions to predict the topic
9. Connecting topic to prior knowledge about it
10. Setting a purpose for reading; i.e., pleasure, understanding but not remembering, understanding and remembering
11. Predicting general content
12. Predicting author's purpose
13. Setting reading goals
D. Active Reading Strategies
14. Reading for specific information
15. Monitoring and adjusting reading speed according to purpose for reading and difficulty of text
16. Setting reading goals
17. Sustaining concentration
18. Self-monitoring comprehension
19. Checking predictions and revising as needed
20. Recognizing transition words and the relationships they signal
21. Using transition words to predict information and relationships among ideas and information
22. Using cognitive patterns to aid comprehension
23. Responding to text orally and in writing
E. Interpretive Reading Skills
24. Identifying implied main ideas
25. Identifying author's opinion or tone
26. Drawing logical conclusions from what is read
F. Effective Study Techniques
27. Filling in cognitive maps or outlines of text
28. Underlining or highlighting text
29. Restating topic and central point or main idea of text
30. Summarizing text in own words in a proportionate way
31. Responding to oral and written directions
G. Basic Research Skills
32. Being familiar with library/learning resource center contents and services
33. Predicting most fruitful sources for a research topic
34. Forming hypothesis or study questions to guide research
35. Using CD-ROM periodicals index or Internet search engine among other resources to research a current events topic
36. Summarizing text in own words in a proportionate way
37. Drawing logical conclusions from what is read
38. Responding in writing to text
H. Reading Attitudes
39. Developing a positive or coping attitude toward reading in general, but especially to difficult text.
40. Learning to select text for enjoyment
41. Developing the habit of reading for pleasure
42. Developing the habit of thinking about and responding to text.

NOTE: It is critical that students be given many varied opportunities to practice and develop the skills taught in this course. Individual, paired, and small group activities are all appropriate.

Students should be given assignments in which they summarize, respond to, and apply what they have read in writing, to total approximately 2,500 words over the semester. Students should be given the opportunity to choose what they read some of the time. Appropriate written assignments include a 400- to 500-word analyses of a fictional short story or novel (about 200 pps.), a 1,000-word vocabulary notebook consisting of 100 new words with original context sentences, a short 400- to 500word research assignment, and many other shorter written assignments.

## V. APPROPRIATE READINGS

## Reading assignments may include but are not limited to the following:

A. Sample Text Title:

1. Ten Steps to Building College Reading Skills, by John Langan. Fourth Edition. Townsend Press, Inc., 2005.
B. Other Readings:

|  | Global or international materials or concepts are appropriately included in this course |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | Multicultural materials and concepts are appropriately included in this course. |

If either line is checked, write a paragraph indicating specifically how global/international and/or multicultural materials and concepts relate to content outline and/or readings.

## VI. METHODS TO MEASURE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND DETERMINE GRADES:

Students in this course will be graded in at least one of the following four categories. Please check those appropriate. A degree applicable course must have a minimum of one response in category $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$ or C .


Required assignments may include but are not limited to the following:

1. Students must complete written homework assignments, summaries, book report documents and essay responses on tests.

## B. Problem Solving

1. Computational or non-computational problem-solving demonstrations, including:

|  | a. exam(s) |  | d. laboratory reports |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | b. quizzes |  | e. field work |
|  | c. homework problems |  | f. other (specify) |

Required assignments may include, but are not limited to the following:
C. Skill demonstrations, including:

| x | a. class performance(s) |  | c. performance exam(s) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | b. field work |  | d. other (specify) |

## Required assignments may include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Students must take part in class discussions and class presentations.
D. Objective examinations, including:

| x | a. multiple choice | x | d. completion |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
|  | b. true/false |  | e. other (specify) |
|  | c. matching items |  |  |

## COURSE GRADE DETERMINATION:

Description/Explanation: Based on the categories checked in A-D, it is the recommendation of the department that the instructor's grading methods fall within the following departmental guidelines; however, the final method of grading is still at the discretion of the individual instructor. The instructor's syllabus must reflect the criteria by which the student's grade has been determined. (A minimum of five (5) grades must be recorded on the final roster.)

If several methods to measure student achievement are used, indicate here the approximate weight or percentage each has in determining student final grades.

20\% Homework/Quizzes
30\% Reading Reports/Journals
20\% In-Class Group Activities
30\% Exams

CONTENT REVIEW FOR ALL COURSES IN ADDITION TO BASIC SKILLS COURSES
List in Column 1 at least three specific major concepts, skills, or kinds of knowledge that a student will learn in the pre- or corequisite or advisory course that are essential to the successful completion in the target course. In Column 2 , state why the skill in Column 1 is essential in relation to the content listed in the course outline of the target course.

| COLUMN 1: Concepts, Skills, Kinds of Knowledge | COLUMN 2: Specifically how this is necessary in the <br> target course |
| :--- | :--- |
| (List each prerequisite or advisory separately here. If you need <br> more space, attach a second page B. Be sure to explain each <br> course in Column 2.) |  |
| Name of prerequisite or advisory course: | English 260 or ESL 266R <br> Concepts, skills, etc. (List these.) <br> comprehension of higher level reading tasks. <br> 1. Knowledge of a variety of vocabulary techniques. <br> 2. Knowledge of basic cognitive structures used in text. <br> 3. Knowledge of relative importance of main ideas and support <br> in text. |
| 2. Cognitive structures will be used to aid in the extraction <br> of meaning from text. |  |
| 3. Students will also need the ability to discern relative |  |
| importance of general ideas and support in reading more |  |
| challenging text. |  |

If the courses listed in Column 1 are advisory, complete the information below and do not go on to the next page.
Advisory course(s):

Content review completed by
Signature(s)

Vice President of Instruction's Signature

Every prerequisite or corequisite requires content review plus justification of at least one of the seven kinds below. Prerequisite courses in communication and math outside of their disciplines require justification through statistical evidence. Kinds of justification that may establish a prerequisite are listed below.


Check one of the following that apply. Documentation may be attached.

1. $\qquad$ The prerequisite/corequisite is required by law or government regulations. Explain or cite regulation numbers:
2. The health or safety of the students in this course requires the prerequisite. Justification: Indicate how this is so.
3. $\qquad$ The safety or equipment operation skills learned in the prerequisite course are required for the successful or safe completion of this course.
Justification: Indicate how this is so.
4. $\qquad$ The prerequisite is required in order for the course to be accepted for transfer to the UC or CSU systems.

Justification: Indicate how this is so.
5. $\qquad$ Significant statistical evidence indicates that the absence of the prerequisite course is related to unsatisfactory performance in the target course.
Justification: Cite the statistical evidence from the research.
6. x The prerequisite course is part of a sequence of courses within or across a discipline.
7. $\qquad$ Three CSU/UC campuses require an equivalent prerequisite or corequisite for a course equivalent to the target course:

| CSU/UC CAMPUS | COURSE DEPT/NO. | PRE/COREQUISITE NO. |
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Explanation or justification: (Attach information if necessary.)

| The $\qquad$ x prerequisite | corequisite | ENGL 260 | Basic Reading |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number | Title |
| has been justified for | ENGL 262 | Reading Improvement |  |
|  | Target course Number |  |  |

Discipline faculty members: _Ruben Delgado, Natasha Maryanow
Department Chair: __ Dean of Instruction:
Approved by Curriculum Committee:
Curriculum Chair
Date

## ESTABLISHING PREREQUISITES OR COREQUISITES

Every prerequisite or corequisite requires content review plus justification of at least one of the seven kinds below. Prerequisite courses in communication and math outside of their disciplines require justification through statistical evidence. Kinds of justification that may establish a prerequisite are listed below.

| The target course | ENGL 262 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number |  | Title |  |

The proposed requisite course

ESL 266R
Number
Academic Reading and Vocabulary
Title

Check one of the following that apply. Documentation may be attached.

1. $\qquad$ The prerequisite/corequisite is required by law or government regulations. Explain or cite regulation numbers:
$\qquad$ The health or safety of the students in this course requires the prerequisite. Justification: Indicate how this is so.
2. $\qquad$ The safety or equipment operation skills learned in the prerequisite course are required for the successful or safe completion of this course. Justification: Indicate how this is so.
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Explanation or justification: (Attach information if necessary.)

| The x prerequisite | corequisite | ESL 266R | Academic Reading and Vocabulary |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number | Title |
| has been justified for | ENGL 262 | Readin | ement |
|  | Target course Number |  | Title |

Discipline faculty members: Ruben Delgado, Natasha Maryanow
Department Chair:
Dean of Instruction:

Approved by Curriculum Committee:
Curriculum Chair
Date

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REQUEST FOR COURSE REPEATABILITY
(For reasons other than alleviating substandard work)

2. Using reasons "A" or "B" listed below, explain how the student, by repeating this course will gain an expanded educational experience (A or B):
$\mathrm{x} \quad$ A. Skills or proficiencies are enhanced by supervised repetition and practice within class periods. Explanation:

Repetition of course allows additional practice and the development of higher level comprehension skills.
B. Active Participatory experience in individual study or group assignments is the basic means by which learning objectives are attained. Explanation:

