

ENGLISH 56 (Formerly English 50), FALL 1998

Instructor: Laurie Koeplin
Days: M, W, Th Room LS 17
T - INC 1 = computer lab
Time: 8:00-8:50

Welcome to English 56. This course will give you extensive practice in the process of writing, inventing, drafting, revising, editing, and proofreading. You can improve your writing strengths and strengthen your writing weaknesses--we all have them--with practice, practice, practice. It's up to you to work hard and improve your writing. It's up to me to show you how to recognize what works and what doesn't work in your and your classmates essays, which we will share in class. Writing is sometimes difficult, especially if English is your second language. Be patient with yourself, learning to write takes time and dedication. Ask questions when you don't understand. We're all here to learn.

Attendance

Attendance matters. I understand emergencies arise, so use your 8 allowable absences wisely, otherwise you will be dropped from English 56. When absent please leave a message at 638-0300 ext 3985.

Grading

English 56 is graded Credit or No Credit. You can earn credit by meeting these requirements:

1. completing all required writing assignments, text exercises as assigned and revisions; at least 70% of all homework
2. meeting the attendance requirement--no more than 8 absences and participating in peer response workshops
3. writing a mid-term essay
4. passing quizzes with an average score of 70%
5. writing a final in class essay, one which shows you are ready to enter English 25

Required Books and Supplies

College Writing Basics (fourth edition) by Thomas E. Tyner

A notebook

A computer disk for use in the INC 1 computer lab.