



ENGLISH 100 (S) - Comp I (3 credits)

CRN# 62225 + CRN# 62226 (TR 10-11:15); CRN# 62228 (TR 2:30-3:45)

ENGLISH 100 W (S) - Comp I Writing Workshop (1 credit)

CRN# 62227 (TR 11:30-12:45)

Spring 2024

CLASS INFORMATION

This is an in-person course, and we'll be meeting in Manaleo 112; however, if you are feeling unwell, please stay at home and join us via Zoomland: [Link to Zoom](#)
<https://hawaii.zoom.us/my/desi.wcc>

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

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<https://hawaii.zoom.us/my/desi.wcc>

*These ENG 100/ENG 100W classes are S-focused, meaning that various assignments and content will concentrate on issues of **personal** sustainability. For more information, please visit: [Sustainability](#)*

SYLLABUS CHANGE POLICY

The syllabus may be updated to address the learning goals of our class community. I will provide updates via ANNOUNCEMENTS on our Laulima website.

WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

'O keia ka wā kūpono e ho'onui ai ka 'ike me ka ho'omaopopo i kō Hawai'i mau ho'oilina waiwai. Aia nō ho'i ma ke Kulanui Kaiāulu o ke Ko'olau nā papahana hou o nā 'ike 'akeakamai a me nā hana no'eau. Me ke kuleana ko'iko'i e ho'ohiki ke Kulanui e kāko'o a e ho'okumu i ala e hiki kē kōkua i ka ho'onui 'ike a nā kānaka maoli. Na mākou nō e ho'olako, kāko'o a paipai i nā Ko'olau a kō O'ahu a'e me nā hana no'eau ākea, ka ho'ona'auao 'oihana a me ka ho'onui 'ike ma ke kaiāulu – hō'a'ano a e ho'oulu i nā haumāna i ka po'okela.

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai'i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide the Ko'olau region of O'ahu and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment – inspiring students to excellence.

Why do writers write? Because it isn't there." Thomas Berger

Our classroom is a collaborative learning community. We each bring to this classroom a unique and valuable set of life experiences. We can learn from one another and in the process discover who we are... who we are still becoming. **In order for us to take advantage of this exciting opportunity to discover, learn, and evolve, we must create an environment in which we respect, support, and celebrate our differences.**



About ENGLISH 100/ENGLISH 100W

English 100: Composition I

This college-level composition course promotes critical reading, the writing process, rhetorical principles, research strategies, and the documentation of sources.

English 100W: Composition I Writing Workshop

This course offers increased student-teacher collaboration on English 100 course content: college-level composition, critical reading, the writing process, rhetorical principles, research strategies, and the documentation of sources. (140 min studio) Co-Requisites: ENG 100

Student Learning Outcomes

The student learning outcomes for English 100/100W are:

1. Write complex and well-reasoned compositions in language, style, and structure appropriate to particular purposes and audiences.
2. Engage in a writing process that includes exploring ideas, considering multiple points of view, developing and supporting a thesis, revising with the help of peer and instructor feedback, editing, and proofreading.
3. Find, evaluate, integrate, and properly document information from libraries, the Internet, and other sources, with an eye for reliability, bias, and relevance.
4. Read for main points, perspective, and purpose, and analyze the effectiveness of a variety of rhetorical strategies in order to integrate that knowledge into their writing.

"You can approach the act of writing with nervousness, excitement, hopefulness, or even despair – the sense that you can never completely put on the page whatever's in your mind and heart. You can come to the act with your fists clenched and your eyes narrowed, ready to kick ass and take down names. You can come to it because you want a girl to marry you or because you want to change the world. Come to it any way but lightly. Let me say it again: you must not come lightly to the blank page."

Stephen King, *On Writing: A Memoir of the Craft*

Written Communication Foundation (FW) Hallmarks

To satisfy the written communication requirement, this course will:

1. Introduce students to different forms of college-level writing, including, but not limited to, academic discourse, and guide them in writing for different purposes and audiences.
2. Provide students with guided practice of writing processes—planning, drafting, critiquing, revising, and editing—making effective use of written and oral feedback from the faculty instructor and from peers.
3. Require at least 5000 words of finished prose—equivalent to approximately 20 typewritten/printed pages.
4. Help students develop information literacy by teaching search strategies, critical evaluation of information and sources, and effective selection of information for specific purposes and audiences; teach appropriate ways to incorporate such information, acknowledge sources and provide citations.
5. Help students read texts and make use of a variety of sources in expressing their own ideas, perspectives, and/or opinions in writing.

Course Format

English 100/100W are in-person courses taught in-person and using Lualima, an online educational platform. Students must have basic computer literacy and a University of Hawai'i ID and password to access Lualima and join class activities.

This class will involve discussions, group work, and other forms of participation throughout the semester. **Full participation in all activities will have a positive impact on your writing performance and progress.**

College-level studies require self-discipline and responsibility; students are successful when they:

- Ø are self-motivated.
- Ø are self-directed learners.
- Ø are good readers.
- Ø are good time managers.
- Ø collaborate with others.
- Ø enjoy both the in-person class experience and accessing online resources.
- Ø are excited by and fairly comfortable with technology.

Kulia I Ka Nu'u - Strive for the Highest! 3

Other requirements:

- Ø Ability to focus on the course for **approximately 6-10 hours a week.**
- Ø Motivation to adapt to an ever-evolving learning environment.

Learning Resources

The material will be available through our Lualima class site; if you do not have access to reliable and daily access to a computer, you may borrow a computer from our WCC library.

- ❖ *The Happiness Advantage* by Shawn Achor (pdf available in Lualima resources)
- ❖ ChompChomp (<http://www.chompchomp.com/>)
- ❖ *The Blue Book of Grammar and Punctuation* by Jane Straus (available online)
- ❖ Handouts and links to videos and other valuable resources. (I'll provide.)
- ❖ Daily access to a computer and Internet.

Course Content and Tasks

Acquiring new skills is a life-long activity and is not limited to the classroom experience. In whatever career path you choose, reading and writing are foundational skills that will support and serve you in achieving your personal and professional goals, no matter what your academic or professional intentions may be. Through a variety of activities, this course will add to your existing literacy toolbox and help you improve your composition skills.

*One of our guiding themes will be **personal sustainability**. We will explore issues focusing on what sustainability means to us as individuals facing personal challenges.*

<i>Concepts or Topics</i>	<i>Skills or Competencies—Students will:</i>
Writing process Effective Research Organization Audience and purpose Rhetoric Academic honesty MLA style	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Read for understanding and for analysis/argument2. Engage in the writing process by: Planning Drafting Discussing Revising Reflecting3. Attend to stylistic/grammatical clarity4. Conduct research5. Write with sources by: Paraphrasing Quoting Summarizing

	Synthesizing Arguing
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Activities required outside of class:

In addition to regular assignments, students must:

- dedicate **6-10 hours** of study time per week for assignments.
- complete the Library Research Units (3 sections with a score of 10 or more points in each)
- conference with Desi:
 - narrative essay conference
 - final conference to discuss student accomplishments and final grade.
- meet with a TRiO tutor and/or a Ka Piko Writing Lab mentor to support your writing process.

Over the course of this semester we will explore territories of words, images, and sounds. We will be adventurers, explorers, detectives—actively discovering our world through books, magazines, newspapers, essays, films, Web sites, art, plays, photographs, memoirs, interviews... wherever the territory of words exists. In the process of meeting diverse people, traveling to different places, encountering new experiences, and all the while improving our reading ability and sharpening our writing skills, we will undoubtedly encounter new facets of ourselves. We will discover that reading and writing are not only necessary skills, but can also take us on amazing and rewarding adventures.

Your writing will improve with practice, practice, and yes, more practice. In class, we will be writing, increasing and refining our mechanical/technical skills. Since writing also improves with reading, we will read and discuss texts, studying ways in which authors deploy literary conventions for effectiveness. And as a community of writers, we will be sharing our insights about our process.

Assessment Tasks and Grading

Your final grade will be based on the **quality and timely completion** of all assignments, insightful work, presentations, class attendance, and participation. ***Assignments that do not meet minimal proficiency must be redone to receive passing credit.***

Attendance	60 points available
LRU quizzes (3 @ 15 points)	45 points available
Reading Notes/Responses (7 @ 5 points)	35 points available
<i>The Happiness Advantage</i> (THA)	
Happiness Practice Journal	100 points available
Problem-Solution: Personal Sustainability	100 points available
Visual Presentation	
Major Writing Assignments	500 points available
*Extra Credit! Video Responses (4 @ 5 points)	20 points available
*Event Review	20 points available
*Extra Credit! Grammar Exercises (20 @ 5 points)	100 points available

Major Writing Assignments (required)	Min. Word Count/Points Possible
Narrative (A story about a challenge you've overcome)	~750+ Words/75 pts. possible
Creative Piece (Group Short Fiction)	~750+ Words/75 pts. possible
Process/Plan of Action	~1500+ Words/150 pts. possible
Reading Responses (Select 4 <i>THA</i> to polish)	~1000+ Words/25 pts. each/ 100 pts. possible
Reflection (Insights Gained in Journey through English 100)	~1000+ Words/100 pts. possible

By the end of the term, you will have written a total of 5,000 words that have undergone revision.

Student Responsibilities

BE...

- Curious about the world of research, reading, and writing and dive in!
- Enthusiastic about each assignment and do your best work!
- Courageous in your writing process and dive deep!
- Supportive and encouraging of your peers so they can do their best!

Final Grade

You are responsible for your final grade. It will be based on the quality and timely completion of assignments, class participation, and insightful work. There is no final exam.

A - 900+; B - 800-899; C - 700-799; D - 600-699; F - 599 and below

An "N" grade indicates that the student has worked conscientiously, attended regularly, finished all work, fulfilled course responsibilities, and has made measurable progress. However, either the student has not achieved the minimal student learning objectives and is not yet prepared to succeed at the next level, or the student has made consistent progress in the class but is unable to complete the class due to extenuating circumstances, such as major health, personal or family emergencies.

I reserve the option of modifying assignments and due dates to benefit and support the learning needs of our class community.

"Most of us have two lives. The life we live, and the un-lived life within us. Between the two stands Resistance."

Steven Pressfield from *The War of Art*

Brief Description of Assignments and Activities

Attendance is Required (60 points possible)

We meet twice a week. Please arrive promptly in person or in Zoomland, if you are sick. Participate. If you're in Zoomland, turn on your camera.

Conferences w/Desi and Tutors

Schedule a conference with me to discuss your narrative essay and goals for this semester; then meet with me to discuss your progress and final grade. You may meet with me to discuss your work throughout the semester.

Schedule appointments with a tutor via TRiO or the Ka Piko Writing Lab to work on improving your writing assignments.

LRU quizzes (Possible 45 points)

Get acquainted with best practices for research and the library's resources. *Take the three (3) quizzes and pass with a score of ten (10) or higher on each.* This knowledge will support you as you work on your research assignments in this class, as well as other classes.

Reading Responses (Possible 35 points)

The Happiness Advantage

Read the assigned principles (there are 7), take notes, and come to class prepared to work with classmates to prepare a reading response draft.

Happiness Practice Journal (Possible 100 points)

Throughout the semester, create and maintain a daily record of your happiness practice; create a final presentation to demonstrate how you are practicing the happiness principles.

Problem-Solution: Personal Sustainability (Possible 100 points)

Using credible resources, research an issue regarding personal sustainability and create a Google Slides presentation to share with our class.

Major Writing Assignments (Possible 500 points)

You will demonstrate the writing process in each of your writing assignments. Your final drafts will be polished to perfection.

Video Responses (Extra Credit! Possible 20 points)

Watch TED Talks presentations (links are located in the RESOURCES folder) and prepare a response. Each response earns 5 points.

Event Review (Extra Credit! Possible 20 points)

Attend a campus event and write up a review for credit.

Grammar Exercises (Extra Credit! Possible 100 points)

Use *ChompChomp* interactive exercises/quizzes to improve your skills; turn in 2 completed and self-corrected exercises **per week (weeks 1-10)** to your DROP BOX. **If you miss a week, you miss the points available for that week. This is worth 100 points, which can be the difference between an A and a B, or a B or a C...**

Tentative Schedule (subject to change)

[Link to Academic Calendar Spring 2024](#)

<i>Week</i>	<i>Focus/Assignments</i>	<i>Notes</i>
<i>Week #1 – January 8</i>	<i>Introductions/Getting Organized/ Watch Randy Pausch/Begin Narrative</i>	<i>Google Cal Drop Box Websites</i>
<i>Week #2 – January 15</i>	<i>Discuss Randy Pausch/Grammar Games/ Begin The Happiness Advantage</i>	<i>1/15 Holiday</i>
<i>Week #3 – January 22</i>	<i>Discuss Principle #1/Begin Happiness Journal Introduce TED Talks/Event Review Assignments</i>	
<i>Week #4 – January 29</i>	<i>Principle #2/LRU 1</i>	
<i>Week #5 – February 5</i>	<i>Principle #3/LRU 2</i>	
<i>Week #6 – February 12</i>	<i>Principle #4/LRU 3</i>	
<i>Week #7 – February 19</i>	<i>Principle #5/Plan of Action</i>	<i>2/19 Holiday</i>
<i>Week #8 – February 26</i>	<i>Principle #6</i>	
<i>Week #9 – March 4</i>	<i>Principle #7/ Introduction to Sustainability Project</i>	
<i>Week #10 – March 11</i>	<i>Women’s History Month Event</i>	<i>3/18-3/22 Spring Break</i>
<i>Week #11 – March 25</i>	<i>Creative Piece/ Sustainability Project</i>	<i>3/26 Holiday 3/29 Holiday</i>
<i>Week #12 – April 1</i>	<i>Sustainability Project</i>	
<i>Week #13 – April 8</i>	<i>Sustainability Project</i>	
<i>Week #14 – April 15</i>	<i>Reflection Essay</i>	
<i>Week #15 – April 22</i>	<i>Final Presentations/Final Conference</i>	
<i>Week #16 – April 29</i>	<i>Final Presentations/Final Conference</i>	

Course Policies

Participating in our Learning Community

In order to be successful in this class:

- Print out this syllabus and annotate it, indicating anything you have questions about. Bring it to your first conference.
- Print out the weekly assignments schedule and schedule your time responsibly. (Google Calendar works well.)
- Familiarize yourself with our Laulima class site; I will continue to add valuable resources, which I will note in ANNOUNCEMENTS.
- Complete all assignments on time.
- Study examples and follow the best practices modeled.
- Help one another by forming partnerships. Your learning experience will be better when you work together.
- If you feel sick, join us via Zoom. **Attendance is important.**

Contacting the Instructor

My cell phone number is listed on the OVERVIEW page on our website. You may text me. Please let me know who you are and what class you're in. For TR at 10:00." You can also send me emails at: desi.poteet@hawaii.edu. Please use your UH email. I will respond to you within 24 hours, M-F, excluding holidays. Sometimes there are glitches in the e-mail system. So, if you don't hear from me, please follow up.

Communication is key

Please keep me posted. If you encounter challenges in your life, let me know as soon as possible, so we can find strategies for you to succeed in this class. You can text me, e-mail me, meet me in Zoomland. If you feel overwhelmed, contact me; we'll work together on a strategy of success for you.

Attendance/Participation

Attendance is required. We will meet in Manaleo 112. And if you're sick, please join us via ZOOM. Please arrive a little early to our class, and if you're joining us via Zoom, please be fully dressed with your camera on.

Assignments

The world of writing can be both exciting and daunting. Professional writers provide one another with feedback in order to produce the strongest work possible. We will be taking advantage of our class (student) writers and workshopping our assignments. For this reason (and to avoid the usual procrastination writers face), we have deadlines for all work. **Work ahead of schedule to avoid challenges that may prevent you from completing your work on time.** Complete the extra credit grammar exercises each week; they can NOT be made up. Everyone has encountered an unanticipated emergency, making it difficult to meet a deadline. In order to avoid late work, **please work ahead of schedule to avoid the "my cat ate my homework" situations.**

Content Warning

A college education provides you with a valuable opportunity to explore the world around you in new ways, broadening your life experiences. Research can uncover challenging and uncomfortable topics. In addition, literature and films, in particular, reflect the human condition in all its complexity, and

sometimes contain content (profanity, violence, sexuality, etc.) that may offend you. I encourage students to write about topics of interest, but some subjects may be triggering to others. The act of writing requires courage as we dive deep into the uncomfortable realms. **If you would prefer not to expose yourself to these issues through readings, student work, audio books, films, class discussions, etc., then this may not be the class for you.**

Evaluation and Feedback

I will provide feedback on your work, but you will also be relying on each other for feedback. I am available to meet with you to discuss your work at various stages. These conferences provide you with one-on-one feedback on your essays. You are responsible for scheduling with me. You are encouraged to take advantage of the tutoring services available through TRiO and Ka Piko.

Academic Integrity

Work submitted by a student must be the student's own work. The work of others should be explicitly marked, such as through use of quotes or summarizing with reference to the original author.

Students who commit academic dishonesty, cheating, or plagiarism will receive a failing grade for plagiarized assignments. All cases of academic dishonesty are referred to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

Resources

The following WCC sources may be beneficial to you or someone you know:

- Free tutoring is available through TRiO Student Support Services; request a tutor early. The contact number for the TRiO office is 235-7487, Hale Kako'o 116.
- The Writing Lab (online) provides you with supportive writing coaches. Here is the link: [Ka Piko Writing Lab Link](#)
- Desrae Kahale, WCC's Mental Health Counselor, is available for support at 235-7393, dkahale3@hawaii.edu, Hale Kako'o 101.
- Student Affairs counselors are also available to assist students with academic questions. Call 235-7413 to make an appointment.
- Online Support is available at: manoa.hawaii.edu/ola/
- Purdue Online Writing Lab is another great resource: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>
- MySuccess: Students may be referred for extra help or advising through MySuccess. Students can also explore resources at MySuccess.Hawaii.edu and windward.hawaii.edu/MySuccess

Institutional Information

Alternative Contact

If you are unable to contact the instructor, have questions that your instructor cannot answer, or for any other issues, please contact the Academic Affairs Office: Alaka'i 121 * Phone: 235-7422 * E-mail: wccaa@hawaii.edu

College Policies

- **Basic Needs.** Basic needs include food and housing, childcare, mental health, financial resources and transportation, among others. Student basic needs security is critical for ensuring strong academic performance, persistence, and graduation and overall student well being. If you or someone you know are experiencing basic needs insecurity, please see the following resources:
<https://www.hawaii.edu/student-basic-needs/BasicNeedsLink>
- **Disabilities Accommodations.** If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Accessibility Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Jodi Asato can be reached at 235-7472, jodiaka@hawaii.edu or you may stop by Hale Kāko'o 105 for more information.
- **Sex Discrimination and Gender-Based Violence Resources (Title IX).** Windward Community College is committed to providing a learning, working, and living environment that promotes personal integrity, civility, and mutual respect and is free of all forms of sex discrimination and gender-based violence, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

If you or someone you know is experiencing any of these, WCC has staff and resources to support and assist you. To report an incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence, as well as receive information and support, please contact one of the following:

Leslie Cabingabang, UH System Confidential Advocate
Phone/Text: (808) 348-0432 or (808) 341-0952
Email: advocate@hawaii.edu
Office: Hale Kāko'o 107 (Wednesdays)

Mykie E. Menor Ozoa-Aglugub, J.D., Title IX Coordinator
Phone: (808) 235-7468
Email: mozoa@hawaii.edu
Office: Hale Kako'o 109

Desrae Kahale, Mental Health Counselor & Confidential Resource
Phone: (808) 235-7393
Email: dkahale3@hawaii.edu
Office: Hale Kāko'o 101

As a member of the University faculty, I am required to immediately report any incident of sex discrimination or gender-based violence to the campus Title IX Coordinator. Although the Title IX Coordinator and I cannot guarantee confidentiality, you will still have options about how your case will be handled. My goal is to make sure you are aware of the range of options available to you and have access to the resources and support you need.

For more information regarding sex discrimination and gender-based violence, the University's Title IX resources and the University's Policy, Interim EP 1.204, go to manoa.hawaii.edu/titleix/

COURSE POLICIES CONTRACT

I have read through and reviewed the above Course Policies and the entire syllabus (ENG 100/100W). By signing this document, I acknowledge not only that I understand the policies and requirements of this course, but also that I understand the consequences of not following these policies.

Signature

Please turn in your annotated syllabus and this signed page in class.

Please complete this contract by clicking on this link:

[Course Policies Contract Form:](#)