SYLLABUS FOR ENGLISH 1301
ENGLISH COMPOSITION
2020 Fall Semester
Semester Hours Credit: 3

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Class Time: 3rd Period 10:01am-10:46am
Available Times: 7:30am-8:00am; 3:30pm-4:00pm
Conference Period: 7th Period 1:58pm-2:43pm

Course Description
Course Prefix/Number: English 1301
Course Title: English Composition
Brief Course Description: English Composition (3-0). Emphasizing the writing process, the course offers abundant practice in producing effective prose essays as well as in analyzing and discussing selected readings. Prerequisites: Completion of English Texas Success Initiative (TSI) requirements.

Text and Materials
We will not have a textbook for this class. Digital copies of texts and handouts will be shared with the student.

Foundational Component Area: Communications
Courses in this category focus on developing ideas and expressing them clearly, considering the effect of the message, fostering understanding, and building the skills needed to communicate persuasively. Courses involve the command of oral, aural, written, and visual literacy skills that enable people to exchange messages appropriate to the subject, occasion, and audience. *SLO – Student Learning Outcomes

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<th>Core Objective</th>
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<td>Critical Thinking</td>
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<td>Employ problem-solving strategies (such as inquiring about an issue, comprehending consequences, and analyzing and synthesizing information) to generate positions and arguments and to examine basic principles of information gathering to support a thesis.</td>
<td>Students will draft multiple papers, prepare and present projects and will evaluate their participation and the work of others in various class activities.</td>
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<td>Comprehend, analyze, synthesize and evaluate their own communication and that of others to raise questions, make assertions and generate discussion about a topic or question.</td>
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<td>Communication</td>
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<td>Take into consideration audience, context, purpose, conventions and circumstances relevant to written communication; use relevant and appropriate content for the specific rhetorical situation in order to express their position(s) effectively in writing.</td>
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<td>Teamwork</td>
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<td>Work individually and collectively toward a shared purpose or goal with the members of their team, creating and evaluating their peers’ drafts.</td>
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<td>Personal Responsibility</td>
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<td>Identify their own core beliefs and the sources of those beliefs in order to connect their choices and actions to decision-making; also recognize and evaluate possible consequences of their decisions.</td>
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Coursework Policy and Procedures

As this is a college level course, students are expected to keep up with all course work and stay on top of his or her schedule. **No late work will be accepted.**

Therefore, it is the student’s responsibility to turn in any and all work before he or she expects to be gone. Exceptions will be made in the case of documented emergencies. This means minor illnesses (illnesses without a doctor’s note), football, basketball, baseball, softball games, band competitions, UIL activities, track meets, FFA events, and all other extracurricular activities do NOT excuse one from homework or due dates. Make note of assignment due dates on one’s personal schedule. If an emergency arises, students should contact me as soon as he or she is able, and we will make a plan to get him or her back on track. It is imperative that we have good communication, and we plan ahead.

**Electronic malfunction will not be an excuse for late work. DO NOT wait until the last possible second to submit an assignment.** If you have a problem with Blackboard, you should contact the IT Service Center (325-942-2911) at Angelo State immediately. You will be given a service number and a receipt if IT cannot solve your problem. At this point and this point only, please make sure to email your assignment to me.

Blackboard®

This course operates on the Blackboard website through Angelo State University where students will find access to the REVEL textbook link (purchase required), important announcements, the TurnItIn® dropbox for submission of papers, assignment prompts and guidelines, and handouts. Students will find the Blackboard site at [http://blackboard.angelo.edu](http://blackboard.angelo.edu). Students should check the site often to stay abreast of assignments, changes to the syllabus and announcements.

Final Draft Submission

The final submissions will be turned in through Blackboard under the TurnItIn dropbox.

Grammar & Mechanics

Grammar assignments will be imbedded in the coursework, but no textbook is required.

Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Bronte ISD and Angelo State University expect students to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuits. This includes avoiding plagiarism. Plagiarism is defined as using ideas and information from other sources without giving appropriate credit to the original sources. If anyone is caught plagiarizing, intentionally or not, **he or she will receive a zero on the assignment and could possibly receive a failing grade in the course.** Additional discipline could involve letters being placed in one’s permanent file and action taken by Angelo State University resulting in possible suspension or expulsion.

Participation

Students will be held accountable for information and due dates given during class and posted on Blackboard. Students unable to connect during the regular class time should both contact me and check on Blackboard for assignment information and due dates.
Grading

30% Essay Drafts, Peer Reviews, Quizzes, & Handout Grammar Assignments
   First Drafts & One-to-One Conferences
   Peer Reviews
   Teacher Made Grammar Assignments
   Pop Quizzes

50% Major Essays Final Draft/Tests
   Expository “Proud of” Essay
   Infograph
   Grammar Test
   Descriptive Essay
   Exemplification “This I Believe” Essay & Recording
   Resume
   Argumentative/Persuasive Essay
   Process Analysis Manual

20% Final Exam
   TBA

*All assignments are subject to change