

Brooklyn College
The City University of New York
Spring 2022

ESL 1007
Instructor
Email
Day, Time
Office Hour

Course Description: This is an advanced level writing course. Students will develop college-level, academic writing skills in English. This will be accomplished by reading a variety of texts and responding to them by writing well-developed essays. 4 hours recitation, 1 hour lab; 2 credits

Required materials:

Readings & Annotations: To make sure that you are on track with the assigned reading, you will annotate the reading each week. We will discuss guidelines and expectations during our first class session.

Discussion Board Posts: You will participate on the Discussion Board once per week. You are responsible for posting a substantive thoughtful response to a prompt by the due date. You will also be responsible for commenting in a substantive way, on a classmate's post. You will see due dates posted in the Discussion Board. These will be graded.

Essays & Other Writing: Students will write several essays throughout the semester, including essays to practice for the final exam. Students will revise each of these essays. These essays must be typed, double-spaced, in 12-point font, and formatted with one-inch margins.

Plagiarism: Plagiarism is not tolerated at Brooklyn College. Do not take words directly from the Internet, books, or any other written material. **If you plagiarize, you will receive an F on your assignment.** This is Brooklyn College's statement on plagiarism:

"The faculty and administration of Brooklyn College support an environment free from cheating and plagiarism. Each student is responsible for being aware of what constitutes cheating and plagiarism and for avoiding both. The complete text of the CUNY Academic Integrity Policy and the Brooklyn College procedure for implementing that policy can be found at this site: <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/bc/policies>. If a faculty member suspects a violation of academic integrity and, upon investigation, confirms that violation, or if the student admits the violation, the faculty member MUST report the violation"

Grading: The Brooklyn College policy on grading for ESL 1007 is as follows:

Grades for ESL 1007 are: A+, A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, NC, or F. Note that the minimum passing grade for this class is C-. Students who have completed all the course work but are not yet writing at the college level will receive a grade of NC; students who have not completed the course work will receive a grade of F.

Students must pass the CUNY Writing Final Exam to receive a grade. Possible grades are A, B, C (plus or minus), or F. Students who do not pass the final writing exam and/or are not ready to go to English 1010 may receive an NC (no credit) which will not affect their GPA.

Possible grades are as follows:

	A	A-
	93-100	90-92
B+	B	B-
88-89	83-87	80-82
C+	C	C-
78-79	73-77	70-72
D+	D	D-
68-69	63-67	60-62
F		
Below 60		

Grading Breakdown:

Essays: 40%

Discussion Board: 5%

Weekly Annotations: 5%

Participation: 10% This includes participation in class sessions, in-class writing, grammar assignments and group work.

Tutoring: 5%

Final exam: 35%

Course Expectations

- It is important to attend class regularly and punctually. Entering a class late is disruptive to instructors and students.
- I will be available for the office hour listed above if you need to speak with me. You can also request an appointment, if necessary.
- The syllabus constitutes one of the materials for the course. Please read it well. If you have any questions, email me, or arrange to meet during my office hours. I will try to respond to emails within 24 hours.
- We will meet, as a class, during our regularly scheduled class time. You will be responsible for reading the assigned texts, doing assignments, and posting on the Discussion Board. All the class material will be posted on Blackboard.
- Remember course participation is not only an important part of your grade, but it also is an essential part of the class experience. We cannot have interesting and productive conversations unless you are prepared to discuss the reading. That means reading well, making sure you understand the major points and evidence in the texts we read or raising questions if you don't understand the material.
- Completion of assignments is expected. If you are absent, you are responsible for checking Blackboard for the assignments. Assignments include readings, annotations, grammar exercises and written assignments to demonstrate you understand the material. Students must come to class prepared to discuss and participate in assignments. In this class, you will read short passages and write essays responding to the passages. This is practice for the final exam.

***** One hour of writing tutoring a week will be arranged. *****

Student Services at Brooklyn College

- o The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a federal anti-discrimination statute, provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, the legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, contact the Director of the Center for Student Disability Services, Ms. Valerie Stewart-Lovell at 718-951-5538. Students who have a documented disability (or suspect they have a disability) must register with the Center for Student Disability Services before they can receive disability-related academic accommodations. Once registered, please provide me with the course accommodation form and discuss with me the specific accommodations you require.
- o Brooklyn College offers excellent academic, counseling, and campus services, including the [Learning Center](#), which houses both a writing as well as a peer tutoring center. The [Library](#) maintains a collection of links to sites that can assist you with research and with proper citation format and paraphrasing and quoting other authors. In addition, the reference librarians are available to help you with research.

Non-attendance because of Religious Beliefs: Brooklyn College's statement on non-attendance because of religious belief is located on page 66 of the Brooklyn College Undergraduate Bulletin:
http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/off_registrar/2017-2018_Undergraduate_Bulletin.pdf

Student Bereavement Policy: Brooklyn College's statement on non-attendance because of religious belief is located here:
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/about/initiatives/policies/bereavement.php>

Important Dates

First Day of Classes	January 28
February 8	No Tuesday Classes. Follow Friday Schedule
February 11	College Closed
February 21	College Closed
April 15-22	Spring Recess
May 18	Reading Day
May 19-24	Final Exams

The final exam for this class is usually the second week of May.

Note: You cannot drop ESL 1007 without permission from the ESL Department.

