

# **EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 2004 CURRICULUM GUIDELINES**

A. Division: Education Effective Date: September 2004

B. Department / ENGLISH Revision X New Course AN

Program Area: LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND PERFORMING ARTS

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STYLE

Subject & Course No. Descriptive Title Semester Credits

**F:** Calendar Description:

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### M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

Successful students should be able to

- 1. recognize the effective interaction of ideas, words, and sentences and the range of stylistic devices available to them, particularly in sentence construction and word choice;
- 2. make effective choices of stylistic devices in their own writing in accordance with content, context, and audience;
- 3. recognize and effectively employ emphasis, momentum, rhetorical strategies, and a wide range of sentence constructions, tone, diction, and metaphor.

#### **N:** Course Content:

- 1. An assigned body of reading
- 2. Assigned peer papers
- 3. Exercises
- 4. A minimum of eight writing assignments
- 5. The rhetorical and stylistic analysis of non-fiction prose

### O: Methods of Instruction

(Some or all of the following methods will be used.)

- 1. Lecture/Discussion
- 2. Group work
- 3. Interviews
- 4. Oral presentations
- 5. Instructor feedback on students' written work.

## P: Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students

The following is required:

• an assigned body of reading, either a text or portions of text and/or reproduced material.

In addition, the following may be required:

• a style handbook, a rhetoric, a dictionary.

### Q: Means of Assessment

A minimum of four academic essays, typically ranging from 750 - 2000 words, will account for a minimum of 60% of the course grade.

At least four other evaluations which could include short exercises, quizzes, or journal entries, accounting for 40% of the course grade.