

충남대학교

English Writing Class Level 3

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Overview

The purpose of this course is to help you improve your English essay-writing skills. You will be given many opportunities to write inside and outside of the classroom (homework). During the class, themes will be introduced and discussed so that you can learn what is important when writing paragraphs and short essays. You will also have many chances to ask questions and seek clarification. Despite being a writing class, you will often be interacting with your fellow students during class time; interaction will involve having conversations, completing activities together, writing collaboratively, and providing peer feedback. There are **four classes per week** (Monday to Thursday), each lasting 50 minutes.

Themes

The main themes covered in the class are as follows:

- Paragraph Structure (topic sentences, supporting sentences, and concluding sentences)
- Coherence (for example using discourse markers and pronouns to make texts cohesive)
- Essay structure (introductions, body paragraphs, conclusions)
- Essay types (for example, cause and effect, argumentative/opinion, etc.)
- Features of academic writing

Assignments

You will be expected to complete assignments as homework; therefore, you must be able to spend time writing outside of our normal class time. If time permits, you should write a first draft and a final draft for each assignment. First drafts should be submitted in class, typed and printed. I will return your first drafts with any problems identified and follow-up questions asked where more information is necessary. Following this, you should make revisions to your work. All final drafts should then be submitted by email. You will receive feedback on your final drafts by email. This will include comments on the content and the structure. Problems relating to grammar and vocabulary will also be highlighted, and explanations and corrections will be provided. Please use MS Word (Times New Roman font size 12; spacing 1.5) when submitting assignments by email.

Feel free to contact me by email at the address above if you have any questions :)