

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
ESL 21 – WRITTEN COMMUNICATION II (5 CR.)**

Course Description

Provides instruction in writing at the low-intermediate level. Improves students' competence in grammatical patterns of written English. Requires practice in writing sentences and longer pieces of writing. Credits are not applicable toward graduation. Lecture 5 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

To give low-intermediate ESL students in Level 2 of the College ESL Program practice in writing to build fluency and accuracy.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

Prerequisite: Requires an ESL Placement Test recommendation for ESL Level 2.

Course Objectives

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- Compose, revise, and edit writing employing simple sentence patterns effectively
- Apply basic mechanics to writing
- Use verb forms and verb tenses effectively
- Use nouns and articles effectively

Major Topics to be Included

- Application of the writing process, including
 - pre-writing activities
 - Drafting
 - Reviewing, revising, and editing
- Basic mechanics of writing
 - margins and indenting
 - capitalization
 - punctuation
- Basic verb system
 - basic verb tenses and agreement
 - base forms
 - infinitives
 - gerunds
- Basic noun system
 - non-count, count, plurals
 - articles
 - pronouns