

Miami Dade College
ENC 2300– Advanced Composition and Communication

Catalog Description:

This writing-based course addresses techniques of critical thinking, persuasion, and argumentation. Students will refine their composition skills and develop their oral communication skills by examining and discussing a range of issues. *This course fulfills the Gordon Rule requirement that students demonstrate proficiency in college-level writing through multiple assignments.* **3 Credits**

Prerequisite: ENC 1101, ENC 1102 or equivalent with a grade of “C” or better.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will employ critical thinking skills in reading, writing, and oral communication by

- a. demonstrating logical reasoning.
- b. distinguishing fact from opinion.
- c. distinguishing between abstract and concrete ideas.
- d. synthesizing related ideas derived from different sources.
- e. recognizing and constructing inductive and deductive arguments.
- f. recognizing valid arguments and drawing logical inferences and conclusions.

Competency 2: The student will compose analytical and persuasive essays in response to assigned readings by

- a. identifying opposing arguments.
- b. acknowledging and addressing the complexity of an issue.
- c. using reasoning and evidence to construct coherent arguments.
- d. citing specific sources to support written or oral discussions.
- e. applying the results of research to support conclusions.
- f. observing the conventions of standard edited American English.

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate proficiency in oral and written communication by

- a. generating, developing, organizing, and presenting ideas effectively.
- b. shaping communication to purpose, audience, and occasion.
- c. analyzing similarities and differences between oral and written communication.
- d. analyzing the impact of variables such as gender, orientation, and ethnicity.
- e. practicing critical listening.