North Hennepin Community College

ENGL 1140: Professional Writing

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3
Lecture Hours/Week: 0
Lab Hours/Week: 0
OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites:
This course requires either of these prerequisites
ENGL 1200 - Gateway College Writing (Minimum grade: 1.67 GPA Equivalent)
ENGL 1201 - College Writing I (Minimum grade: 1.67 GPA Equivalent)

Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: None

This course offers students the opportunity to improve their writing skills and adapt them for professional
communication. Students will focus on assessing purpose, audience, credibility, style, clarity/correctness,
and format to determine appropriate approaches to a range of written and electronic communication,
including memos, letters, employment documents, and proposals/reports.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 05/20/2013 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Demonstrate discipline-specific knowledge of audience and rhetorical situations and understand the
writing processes used by professionals in work settings, including invention, organization, drafting,
revision, editing and presentation. (NHCC ELO 2)

2. Analyze sample texts from professional settings, share and critique drafts of student work, and
participate in class discussions to collaboratively explore professional contexts, develop and
challenge criteria for effective writing in those contexts, and respond to questions and challenges
posed by the instructor, course material, and fellow students. (NHCC ELO 2, 4)

3. Locate, evaluate, and synthesize material from diverse sources and points of view to support
professional dialogue, such as reports, announcements, and other professional communication.
(NHCC ELO 4)

4. Select appropriate communication channels and formats for specific audiences and purposes in a
range of professional settings and create discipline-specific documents that employ effective
techniques for writing situations. (NHCC ELO 2)

5. Construct logical and coherent arguments in texts suitable for distribution in professional settings.
(NHCC ELO 2, 4)

6. Engage in guided revision and/or writing workshops. (NHCC ELO 2)

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted