

Anoka-Ramsey Community College

ENGL 1106: College Textbook Reading

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 1

Lecture Hours/Week: 1

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

(Cross-listed with READ 1106)

Recommended Skills, Abilities, or Coursework: Fulfillment of any developmental coursework in Reading or English OR college-level writing placement score. The course is most effective when the student is taking at least one other college-level course that requires significant textbook reading.

This course is intended for students who would like an in-depth study of textbook reading strategies in order to improve their textbook reading comprehension in current coursework. The emphasis in this course is on understanding textbook structure and developing effective strategies for efficiently and critically reading college textbooks.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 03/15/2019 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Overview of Textbooks
2. Active Reading
3. Levels of Questioning (Concrete, Critical, Creative)
4. Previewing, Predicting, and Comprehending
5. Patterns of Academic Thought
6. Learning from Textbooks
7. Annotation and Notetaking from Textbooks
8. Learning Terminology
9. Evaluating Textbook Arguments
10. Evaluating Electronic Sources

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Read, understand, and respond to college textbook material at literal, inferential, and critical levels
2. Recognize organizations of textbooks, textbook chapters, and related text resources
3. Demonstrate a variety of effective strategies for learning vocabulary and comprehending concepts encountered in textbooks
4. Demonstrate an understanding of reading flexibility and adjustment of rate and strategies depending on text and purpose
5. Assess personal textbook reading in several courses, and select appropriate strategies to improve comprehension and learning

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

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted