CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course is designed to assist students in basic writing skills. The student will learn to recognize and produce units of clear writing, beginning with simple, compound and complex sentences. Through the use of reading selections, the student will learn to identify and formulate topic sentences and organize groups of sentences into a larger unit of meaning, the paragraph. At the same time, attention is given to the mechanics of sentence formation, grammar, spelling and vocabulary.

PREREQUISITES: NONE

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:
Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:
- Learn to write concise, mechanically correct sentences
- Identify and use correct parts of speech; nouns, verbs, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions.
- Skillfully use the dictionary and thesaurus
- Show mastery in tests for skills mentioned
- Show mastery of these skills in reading and writing from in the student’s text and enrichment materials

ASSESSMENT METHODS:
Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:
90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E