**Writing**

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TEXT:

*Ready to Write 2* by Karen Blanchard and Christine Root

Supplemental handouts will be provided as needed

DESCRIPTION:

Academic writing in English is a valuable skill to practice. It requires vocabulary that we don’t often use in everyday conversation. It also requires us to pay special attention to our grammar and sentence structure. Lastly, it helps us organize our thoughts which will help us speak more clearly. In this course, we will focus on improving our writing in English. We will begin by reviewing the characteristics of good writing in general and we will also practice writing high-quality paragraphs and essays.

GOALS:

1. To improve our general writing ability
2. To learn how to write high-quality paragraphs and essays
3. To learn how to offer valuable feedback about others’ writing

What you can expect from your teacher:

1. I will look at your writing during class and your homework assignments and offer feedback (i.e. review errors, offer suggestions on how to express unclear ideas). I will **not** correct all of your mistakes – it is much more valuable for you to correct your own mistakes and understand why you made them.
2. Class notes will be entered into a document and the document will be available online for your reference. Refer to the website at the top of this page.

What I expect from you:

1. Writing will be done during class and for homework.
2. Students will also discuss their writing in-class with their partners. Don’t be afraid to share your writing with others and to offer your advice to your classmates.
3. There will be two major homework assignments and they will review what you have learned in class. Homework assignments will be assigned on Friday and are due on the following Monday. **Written assignments should be printed in MS Word, 12 point font. Be sure to double space the papers you hand in so I can make corrections and suggestions.** Missed assignments and late assignments will negatively affect your homework grade.

The final exam will be on Friday, Jan. 22nd. I will tell you more about the exam as we near the end of the course.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday: 3B, 1:30 – 2:45 p.m.

 3A, 3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

EVALUATION:

Participation: 10%

Homework: 40%

Major Assignments/Final exam: 50%