### COURSE SYLLABUS

**Course Title:** ESL: Reading & Writing VI  
**Department:** Humanities  
**Curriculum:** ESL  
**Date submitted:** April 2011 (AAC: 11-49)

#### Course Code: \( \text{ESL*162} \)

- **Course Type:** L
  - A: Clinical  B: Lab  D: Distance Learning  
  - I: Individual/Independent  L: Lecture  M: Seminar Internship  
  - P: Practicum  U: Studio  
  - X: Combined Lecture/Lab  Y: Combined Lecture/Clinical/Lab  
  - Z: Combined Lecture/Studio

- **Elective Type:** FL/G/HU/LAS

- **Course Descriptors:** Make certain that the course descriptors are consistent with college and Board of Trustees policies, and the current course numbering system.

**Prerequisites:**  
C- or better in ESL: Writing & Reading V (ESL*153), placement test, or permission of Humanities Chair. Grammar V (ESL*152) recommended

**Corequisites:**  
None

**Other Requirements:**  
None

**Ability-Based Education (ABE) Statement:**  
At Tunxis Community College students are assessed on the knowledge and skills they have learned. The faculty identified the General Education Abilities critical to students’ success in their professional and personal lives. In every class, students are assessed on course abilities, sometimes program abilities, and, in most classes, at least one General Education Ability. Students will receive an evaluation of the degree to which they have demonstrated or not demonstrated that General Education Ability.

**Catalog Course Description:**  
In this advanced writing and reading course, students continue to develop fluency, clarity, organizational skills and the mechanics of effective writing with a focus on the linguistic and rhetorical needs of second language learners. Course content and writing assignments are based on reading selections, evaluation of primary and secondary sources and student texts. Students read a range of moderately complex texts. Students write, revise and edit drafts, participate in group work and confer with teachers and peers. Portfolio assessment will be required, including at least one timed, in-class writing assignment. This six credit-course counts toward the foreign language requirement in either the Liberal Arts or General Studies degree. Completion of this course with a C- or better ensures admission into Composition (ENG*101).

**Topical Outline:**  
List course content in outline format.

I. **Reading:**
   A. Textual examination
| B. Perspective, bias, purpose, and audience |
| C. Main ideas and supporting details |
| D. Vocabulary |

II. Critical Thinking:

A. Responding critically
B. Group discussion and engagement
C. Synthesis
D. Cultural influence and interpretation

III. Writing:

A. Macro:
   1. The writing process
   2. Critical or rhetorical analysis
   3. Argumentation
   4. Primary and secondary sources
   5. Summary and paraphrase
   6. Plagiarism
   7. Timed writing
   8. Basic word-processing

B. Micro:
   1. Body paragraphs, topic sentence and sentence-level detail and development.
   2. Effective thesis
   3. Quotation
   4. Introductions and conclusions
   5. Grammar, syntax, spelling, punctuation and sentence complexity

| Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following: |
| COURSE: |

1. identify cultural influences in texts
2. synthesize multiple texts and relate texts and students’ own lives in writing and speech
3. critically evaluate reading and writing processes

| PROGRAM: (Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog) |

| GENERAL EDUCATION: (Numbering reflects General Education Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog) |

| Evaluation: List how the above outcomes will be assessed. |

| Assessment will be based on the following criteria: |

1. Students complete a minimum of three (3) writing assignments in standard MLA format
2. Each assignment is text-based, and at least 3-4 pages in length
3. Final assessment is based on a portfolio of revised work of not fewer than ten (10) pages
4. Other forms of assessment may include homework, quizzes, presentations or other projects |
### Instructional Resources:

List library (e.g. books, journals, on-line resources), technological (e.g. Smartboard, software), and other resources (e.g. equipment, supplies, facilities) required and desired to teach this course.

**Required:** None  
**Desired:** Computer classroom

### Textbook(s)

Refer to current academic year printout.