

# COURSE EXPECTATION LETTER

## Subject:

English 101

#### **Email Contact Information:**

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## **Catalog Course Description:**

This composition course enables students to generate logical, coherent essays that incorporate sources necessary for academic and professional success. Students become proficient in researching, evaluating, and incorporating sources, and in learning critical reading and thinking skills through expository and persuasive reading selections before applying these skills to creating original documented essays. The writing workshop component of the course is designed to assist students with improving and refining their writing and language skills: Students complete writing workshop activities that enhance their ability to compose logical, well-supported arguments that exhibit grammatical fluency and correct citation styles. Students meet with composition instructors through individual or small group conferences that address students' specific writing concerns. This course is designed for students who wish to fulfill the General Education requirement for Written Communication.

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

The student will assert a clear thesis statement directly addressing the topic.

The student will document sources correctly in MLA format.

The student will effectively analyze the source material within the broader context of the essay.

The student will employ an academic voice and demonstrate control of grammar, mechanics, and syntax.

The student will integrate valid and reliable source material smoothly and effectively into the broader context of the essay.

By logging into Canvas you affirm that you are the student who enrolled in the course(s) and are the person who will complete the assigned work. Furthermore, you agree to follow the regulations regarding academic integrity, personal identification and the use of student information as described in BP 5500 (Standards of Conduct) and AP 5520 (Student Conduct Procedures) which are the Rio Hondo College student conduct codes that govern student rights and responsibilities. You acknowledge that failure to abide by the regulations set forth in BP 5500 and AP 5520 may result in disciplinary action, including expulsion from the college.

This is **NOT** a self-paced course. There are firm deadlines in this class. There are assignments due on a regular basis. Please plan your time carefully!

**Textbook:** Please consult the Bookstore for information at (562) 463-7345 or go to <u>Rio Hondo College Online Bookstore</u>

Over the course of the semester there will be regular instructor student contact.

#### Methods of student contact include:

- 1. Email: algarcia@riohondo.edu
- 2. Email via the Canvas email link
- 3. Canvas Chat.

## The instructor may drop you for non-participation.

There will be a one to three business day delay after an add code is used before a student may be able to log on to Canvas.

For students new to online classes, it is highly recommended that you take the Online Orientation through our Distance Education website. This will help explain what online classes are like and familiarize you with how the class is laid out. The orientation can be found at: <a href="http://www.riohondo.edu/canvas-orientation/">http://www.riohondo.edu/canvas-orientation/</a>

Email Responses: Instructors will make every attempt to respond to students in a timely fashion. Responses can take up to 48 hours before a response is received, excluding weekends and holidays.

Disability: A Student with a verified disability may be entitled to appropriate academic accommodations. Please contact your instructor and/or the <u>Disabled Students & Programs</u> office at 562-908-3420 for more information.

Modifications and Disclaimer: The instructor reserves the right to modify the content of the course or any course procedure. It is the responsibility of the student to keep apprised of all changes. If the student wishes to drop the class he/she is responsible for initiating the drop. Do not take it for granted that you will be dropped. If you stop working and do not drop the course, you may get an undesirable grade.

#### **Additional Information:**