

SBU English Classes – Course Flow

Program in Academic English (PAE): WAE (Writing Academic English) & WRT courses

○ **WAE 192 – High Intermediate Writing Academic English**

3 credits; 3 lecture hours – every semester; non-native speakers

The purpose of WAE 192 is to provide students with writing experiences designed to help them express ideas effectively in sentences and paragraphs. It strives to develop students' writing skills through the use of the dictionary, practicing structures of written English and learning to edit in preparation for advanced editing in WAE 194. To accomplish these goals, students work on: expanding their English competence on the sentence level; expanding their vocabulary through reading and use of the dictionary; strategies that promote independence and editing of their writing; and completing many short writing assignments and **one informal essay**. Grammar proficiency tests are administered throughout the semester. These tests emphasize the use of particular grammatical points in the context of a creative effort on the part of the students. A final exam is administered that is judged by a committee composed of PAE writing instructors. This course is graded **A-F**. A grade below a **C** requires the student to repeat the course. A grade of **C** or better requires the student to advance to WAE 194.

○ **WAE 194 – Advanced Writing Academic English**

3 credits; 3 lecture hours – every semester; non-native speakers

The purpose of WAE 194 is to provide students with writing experiences designed to improve their academic writing skills through the process of prewriting, drafting, editing and revising. It also strives to build confidence, fluency and grammatical correctness in students' writing and it serves as preparation for **WRT 101**. To accomplish these goals, students keep a journal, work on expanding their English competence on the sentence level, strategies that promote independence and self-evaluation of their writing, many short writing assignments and produce at least **two longer revised essays**. Grammar proficiency tests and a midterm are administered throughout the semester. These tests emphasize the use of particular grammatical points in the context of a creative effort on the part of the student. The final exam, a process writing essay, is judged by a committee composed of PAE writing instructors. This course is graded **A-F**. A grade below a **C** requires the student to repeat the course. A grade of **C** or better requires the student to advance to **WRT 101**.

○ **WRT 101 – Introductory Writing Workshop**

3 credits; 3 lecture hours – every semester; all students

An introduction to the foundations of writing, offering students a variety of rhetorical strategies and helping them develop creative and critical thinking, fluency, and correctness. Coursework creates ample opportunities for significant practice in reading, writing, and critical analysis. Emphasis on writing as a revision-based process; students produce *at least* **two revised academic essays (including a research essay)**. **WRT 101** prepares students for **WRT 102** and postsecondary academic writing. **ABC/U** grading. Students *must* take this class until they pass it.

○ **WRT 102 – Intermediate Writing Workshop**

3 credits; 3 lecture hours – every semester; all students

A study of strategies for extended academic writing assignments including critical analysis, argument or point of view, and multi-source, college-level research essays. Students continue to develop rhetorical awareness, analytical proficiency, and academic research skills. At the end of the course students create a multimodal **ePortfolio** of final revised essays (**3000+ words**) to be evaluated by their instructor. Prerequisite: **WRT 101**; 3 or higher on AP English Language or Literature; 580 or higher on the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing SAT or 1050 or higher on the combined Critical Reading and Writing SAT; 23 or higher on the English Language Arts ACT or 24 or higher on the combined English and Writing ACT; **C** or higher in an approved transfer course equivalent to **WRT 101**. **ABC/U** grading. Students *must* take this class until they pass it.

WAE courses: <https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/writrhet/pae2.php>

WRT courses: https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/writrhet/undergrad/undergrad_courses.php