ENGLISH 098: Basic English

Course Description: This is a writing and language skills course intended for students whose placement test scores indicate a need for intensive study of language fundamentals. Credit does not count towards degree; grade of A, B, CR, or NC.

Goals and Objectives:

Students will:

- Practice reading texts in communities of readers, and successfully summarize a short article
- Develop fluency in writing
- Become familiar with and make use of the entire writing process: invention, drafting, revision, and editing
- Use structure in paragraphs or essays to assist readers in understanding their meaning—specifically, use topic sentences and thesis statements
- Use examples and details to explain their points
- Develop understanding of grammatical concepts and common terminology to assist in sentence level revision and editing
- Develop strategies for revising and editing their most common sentence level and other errors
- Write with sufficient coherence indicating readiness to success in English 099