Course Description: This course will provide support in the development of English writing skills for non-native students. Writing assignments are negotiated with the instructor and may include practice in composition, SAT or TOEFL writing, and writing university application essays and statements of purpose. Students taking the course for 2 units will have additional individual assignments and a 50-minute tutorial each week.

Required Textbooks & Materials

Grading Policy
This course is graded on a Satisfactory (S) / No Credit (NC) basis. To receive a Satisfactory (S) grade, students are expected to miss no more than one class. Students must actively participate in class and group discussions as well as have assigned readings and homework done before class begins. Students taking this class for 2 units are required to attend a 50-minute tutorial each week, led by TUTOR (email). Additional work for these tutorials will be determined by the instructor based on individual students' needs and interests.

Assignments
Every week language and writing skills will be presented in class. Students will have assigned readings where they can hone those skills with outside readings and mini assignments related to the weekly topic. Students will do quickwrites and take-home writing assignments, culminating in a mini research paper on a course topic of their choosing (with the approval of course professor). At the end of the course, each student will present their paper to the class. Students are also expected to track their writing development through weekly journals and writing strategies.

Classroom Ethos
- Embrace diversity: be respectful of one another and make meaningful connections with your classmates
- Express yourself: don't be afraid to make mistakes!
- Take charge of your learning: be attentive and develop your own attitude and approach to learning

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Disability Notice
Students who have a disability which may necessitate an academic accommodation or the use of auxiliary aids and services in a class, must initiate the request with the Student Disability Resource Center (SDRC), located within the Office of Accessible Education (OAE). The SDRC will evaluate the request with required documentation, recommend appropriate accommodations, and prepare a verification letter dated in the current academic term in which the request is being made. Please contact the SDRC as soon as possible; timely notice is needed to arrange for appropriate accommodations. The Office of Accessible Education is located at 563 Salvatierra Walk (phone: 723-1066; TDD: 725-1067).