CAOT-84 Word Processing – Microcomputer Office Applications, MS Word

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This course teaches Word Processing skills, including inputting, editing, formatting, & printing documents using MS Word. It presumes computer familiarity & students should have the ability to type 35 wpm. Students must arrange for 2.05 added hours/week on the Internet.

Learning outcomes: As a result of completing this course successfully, the student should be able to:
1. Use Word Processing terminology accurately.
2. Use computer systems, including a printer, in order to create, save, print, and manage files.
3. Create, recall, edit, and perfect documents.
4. Perform selected advanced functions such as form letters and mail merge.

A successful pursuit of the many topics in this subject requires:
1. Regular and on-time attendance in class. Absences over 5 hours may result in exclusion or a grading penalty. Three tardies and/or leaving class early count as an absence. It is the student’s responsibility to drop any class they wish to terminate.
2. Preparation for class and lab by studying the written materials. These include the texts, handouts, and the student’s own lecture notes.
3. Regular computer lab activities using the applications programs. Several hours each week, at the student’s convenience, are appropriate. This includes 2.05 hours per week online outside of the formal class time. Selected exercises are to be submitted as hard copy for credit. Failure to submit a significant amount of assigned work may result in exclusion.

The required materials for this class include:
2. (1) Flash drive. Any capacity. (Only this class files to go on this drive.)
3. (6) narrow Scantron scoring sheets & a #2 pencil with eraser.

Grading will be based on the following:
1. Quizzes 20%
2. Mid-term 20%
3. Specifically assigned lab exercises 20%
4. Final exam 20%
5. Attendance and participation 20%

Please consult the college catalog, student handbook, & schedule of classes for college rules & pertinent dates. The last date to drop any class is printed in the schedule. Unavoidable absences should be discussed with the instructor, preferably in advance.
Notes & assignments, missed due to absence, should be obtained from another student. Make-up exams/quizzes are not provided for.

Completed exams will be discussed only during the class time when the results are announced. It is in your interest to keep track of your grades & absences. Children are not permitted in class. Recording devices, beepers/pagers & other annoying devices should be turned off. Cell phones should be turned off & no cell conversations are permitted in class or labs. Final exams must be taken at the time scheduled. Please have reference materials (note, handouts, lab text) when in the lab. Please read & observe all the lab rules which are designed to benefit all students. Please also refer to the Syllabus Addendum.

All work for credit, either written or produced on the computer, must be your own. Students, of course, may work together while learning on the computer. Students must abide by the Student Code of Conduct (Board Rule 9803.28). **Save only this class’s work on the flash drive & save with file names specified in the texts or by the instructor.**

**Topic schedule:**

**Week**
2. 
3. Creating a Research Paper with References and Sources.
4. 
5. Creating a Business Letter with a Letterhead and Table.
6. 
7. Creating a Document with a Title Page, Lists, Tables, and a Watermark.
8. **MID-TERM EXAM**
9. Using a Template to Create a Resume and Sharing a Finished Document.
10. 
11. Generating Form Letters, Mailing Labels, and a Directory.
12. 
14. 
15. **FINAL EXAM.**

Numbered weeks ignore vacations. Schedule subject to changes. All lab work & tests must be your own. Printout & submit work only when directed. All work that is to be saved goes on the flash drive under the filename directed by the text or the instructor. (Some work is designed to not be saved and most work is not to be printed.)

**Emergency relocation area is in Lots 1 & 2 to the North.**
Syllabus Addendum – General College/Department Resources

https://netmail.wlac.edu/  
Student’s college e-mail. Instructions & video on student access to the college e-mail available by: www.wlac.edu > For Students > E-mail-About Student E-mail (under Quick Links). (You need a student id number for the User Name, & the month & day of birth for the password.)

www.wlac.edu  
College website. Financial aid, student services, class schedules info and access to Etudes website for online courses, etc. Quizzes/tests may be accessed using this website. Campus parking and building map is included.

www.wlac.edu/csit  
Division (department) website. Degree/certificate information, scholarship/internship info, and access to free/discount downloads, etc. The computer lab in CE-101 operating hours are listed here. Degree & certificate requirements for this department are listed here.

www.cengage.com/sam2013  
Website for textbook publisher’s materials for the training, assignments, and tests used in the CSIT-901 course. Access available only thru individual course access code supplied with the textbook kit from college bookstore. 901 students do the actual computer activities using this website. (The Instructor accesses this website to review work.)

www.wlac.edu  
Access to the Etudes website used for many courses (sometimes in addition to other websites – such as SAM). It is sometimes used for e-mail to students separate from the college student e-mail system. Instructions on login information available by: www.wlac.edu > Online/Hybrid classes > Course Login Info.

www.wlac.edu/transfer/index.html#honors  
Website for extra work/credit “honors” classes.

Course descriptions are provided in the college catalog available from college bookstore. District policies regarding college and student conduct are included.

Class schedules are provided in the schedule of classes available from the college bookstore. (More up-to-date class schedules are available from the college website.) Important dates, such as last date to drop with or without a “W”, are included. Campus parking and the building map is included.

Instructor and computer lab hours will be periodically announced by the instructor in class and posted on the appropriate room doors as well as on the CAOT/CSIT webpage.

Food and drink are banned from classrooms and labs. All electronic devices are to be disabled in classroom and lab, other than the college provided computer in the lab. All student work for evaluation is to be the student’s alone, except in the case of assigned group activities.

Absences in excess of one week of class time (with late to class three times counting as an absence) may result in exclusion. Failure to submit assigned work in the first three weeks of class may result in exclusion. Incomplete grades are reserved for physical inability to perform the final exam (such as sudden hospitalization) and also ¾ of the semester’s class work must have been completed. It is the student’s responsibility to drop classes. Last day to drop without a “W” in Spring 2015 is Feb. 20. Last day to drop with a “W” is May 8 (for semester length classes). If any question about the above information, please consult with the instructor. Students with special needs may contact the DSPS Office for consideration of appropriate accommodations. The DSPS Office is in the Student Services Bldg. Room 320, tel. 310-287-4450. Please inform the instructor also.