**MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**UTICA AND ROME, NEW YORK**

**Course Outline**

**Course Title:** SL 145 ESOL Advanced Composition Cr 3, C 1, P 4

**Course Prerequisites:** A minimum grade of “C” in SL106 ESL 3 Intermediate Composition or SL135 ESOL Intermediate Composition, or appropriate placement test result.

***Catalog Description*:** This course introduces non-native English speakers to the writing of well-organized and well-developed essays. It focuses on form and content, improving the clarity and sophistication of written expression in English. Students must earn a minimum of grade of “C” or better to pass this course.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

1. Write essays of at least five paragraphs using standard written English.

2. Recognize and use rhetorical modes.

3. Use common patterns of essay organization.

4. Use appropriate techniques for generating ideas, revising, and editing.

5. Demonstrate an awareness of the roles purpose and audience play in writing.

6. Recognize and use principles of coherence and unity in essay development.

7. Use a variety of sentence structures in essay writing (complex and compound-complex sentences).

**Major Topics:**

Essays

Rhetorical modes

Essay organizational patterns

Coherence and unity in essay development

Prewriting

Revision

Editing

Purpose and audience

Complex and compound-complex sentences

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