

EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 2002

CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

A:	Division:	Instructional	Date: SEPTEMBER 2001		
В:	Department/ Program Area:	Commerce & Business Admin. Office Administration	New Course X	Revision	
			If Revision, Section(s) Revi	ised:	
			Date Last Revised:		
C:	OADM 1	107 D:	Business English	E: 3 credits	
	Subject & Cou	urse No.	Descriptive Title	Semester Credits	
F:	Calendar Description: This course focuses on correct English usage in a business environment and provides a comprehensive review of grammar, punctuation, and style as well as business spelling and vocabulary development. The course materials are presented in small, easily manageable learning segments.				
G:	Allocation of Contact Hours to Types of Instruction/Learning Settings Primary Methods of Instructional Delivery and/or Learning Settings: Online learning Number of Contact Hours: (per week / semester for each descriptor) 6 hours per week Number of Weeks per Semester: 15 Weeks X 6 Hours Per Week = 90 Hours		H: Course Prerequisites: OADM 104		
			I. Course Corequisites: nil		
			J. Course for which this Course is a Prerequisite:		
			K. Maximum Class Size:		
			24		
L:	PLEASE INDICATE:				
	Non-Credit				
	X College Credit Non-Transfer				
	College Credit Transfer: Requested Granted				
	SEE BC TRANSFER GUIDE FOR TRANSFER DETAILS (www.bccat.bc.ca)				

M: Course Objectives/Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, the learner will have demonstrated the ability to:

- 1. Apply the basic principles of grammar, punctuation, and style
- 2. Demonstrate business vocabulary and spelling skills
- 3. Proofread and edit written communications
- 4. Write grammatically correct sentences

N: Course Content

- 1. Reference Skills
- 2. Parts of Speech
- 3. Sentences: Elements, Patterns, Types
- 4. Nouns
- 5. Possessive Nouns
- 6. Personal Pronouns
- 7. Pronouns and Antecedents
- 8. Verbs: Kinds, Voices, Moods
- 9. Verb Tenses and Parts
- 10. Verb and Subject Agreement
- 11. Verbals
- 12. Modifiers: Adjectives and Adverbs
- 13. Prepositions
- 14. Conjunctions to Join Equals
- 15. Commas
- 16. Semicolons and Colons
- 17. Other punctuation
- 18. Capitalization
- 19. Numbers
- 20. Effective Sentences

O: Methods of Instruction

Communications between instructor and students will be conducted online using the course email, bulletin board and chat utilities. The instructor will guide the students through a series of learning objectives using motivation and online instruction. The assigned readings, together with the reinforcement exercises, are the principal learning activities. Additional materials and resources are available online.

P :	Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students				
	Canadian Business English, 2nd Ed. Guffey, Mary Ellen and Patricia Burke				
	Recommended Text / Materials				
	Gregg Reference Manual or Pitman Office Handbook				
	Dictionary (A current college-level Canadian dictionary is preferred).				
	Note: These books may be purchased through your local college bookstore. If they are unavailable, please contact your instructor				
Q:	Means of Assessment				
	There is an online test at the end of each unit of study as well as a comprehensive final exam. Graded assignments include proofreading exercises and Internet research.				
	Unit Tests (online) 75% Graded assignments 5% Final Exam (invigilated) 20% 100%				
	Note: The registering college will assign letter grades.				
R:	Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition: specify whether course is open for PLAR				
	The course is open to PLAR by: 1. Portfolio presentation and/or 2. Challenge exam.				
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Dean	/Director: Jim Sator	Registrar: Trish Angus			
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