

Which English class is right for YOU??

Are your ACT scores in English 17 or above?

YES

NO

You cannot appeal due to state mandate.

SHOULD YOU APPEAL PLACEMENT? Asking yourself a few quick questions can help you decide!

You are eligible to appeal. Should you? Read the statements in the boxes below and decide which one describes you best.

- I read books, magazines, and newspapers outside of class all of the time.
- In high school, I typically wrote 3 or more essays per year in my classes.
- I have experience writing personal writing, professional documents, and argumentative and/or analytical writing both inside and outside of school.
- I have written 3 or more academic essays that incorporated outside sources.
- I understand the conventions of academic writing and standard edited English very well.
- I always incorporate a process of drafting, revising, and editing when I write.
- I am very confident in my writing skills.

- I sometimes read books, magazines, and newspapers outside of class.
- In high school, I typically wrote 1-2 essays per year in my classes.
- I have experience writing personal writing and some argumentative and/or analytical writing both inside and outside of school.
- I understand the conventions of academic writing and standard edited English relatively well.
- I have written 1-2 or more academic essays that incorporated outside sources.
- I sometimes incorporate a process of drafting, revising, and editing when I write.
- I am relatively confident in my writing skills.

- I rarely read books, magazines, and newspapers outside of class.
- I wasn't required to write much when I was in high school.
- I have experience writing personal writing both inside and outside of school, but I haven't done much argumentative and/or analytical writing.
- I sometimes struggle with conventions of academic writing and standard edited English.
- I haven't written academic essays that incorporated outside sources that I can remember.
- I rarely incorporate a process of drafting, revising, and editing when I write.
- I am not very confident in my writing skills.

YES, YOU SHOULD APPEAL.

MAYBE. YOU SHOULD CONSIDER APPEALING.

NO, YOU SHOULD CHOOSE AN EXPANDED ENGLISH CLASS.

Have you taken the ACT?

YES

NO

Sign up for the Challenge Exam at usm.edu/humanities/first-year-writing-program.php.

Use the Adult Status Admission appeal process for nontraditional students with no test scores (usm.edu/humanities/first-year-writing-program.php)

APPEAL

You should decide if you think you would benefit from a slower pace and more individual attention, or whether you want to appeal. If you appeal successfully, you will be enrolled in ENG 101 (Fall or Spring, 3 hours).

DON'T APPEAL

You can choose between a two-semester sequence and a single semester. Read the boxes below to see which sounds like it best describes you.

Was your appeal successful?

YES

NO

Welcome to English 101!

Have Questions?
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- ENG 101E (One Semester, 4 hours)**
- I am confident in my ability to read regular assigned readings for class.
 - My best writing happens when I have increased accountability and more feedback from my instructor.
 - When I have an essay due, I try to start writing as early as possible.
 - My schedule allows me to fully commit to a three-day-a-week class.
 - I have excellent time management skills, and I understand how to appropriate my time outside of class.

- ENG 100E and ENG 101 (Fall/Spring, Two Semesters, 6 hours)**
- I sometimes find I need more time to read assigned readings, and I rarely read for pleasure.
 - My best writing happens when I have additional time to think about my ideas and to write in stages.
 - When I have an essay due, I admit that I often procrastinate until the day before it is due.
 - My schedule and outside obligations only allow me to take classes two days a week.
 - I recognize that I might need to work on my time management skills in order to accomplish my academic goals.

Welcome to Expanded Composition!