



UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA

ALS444_1: Copy Of ALS444 (126338) ACADEMIC WRITING FOR RESEARCH (Approved)

Course Name (English)	Copy Of ALS444 (126338) ACADEMIC WRITING FOR RESEARCH (Approved) APPROVED
Course Code	ALS444_1
MQF Credit	3
Course Description	This course provides practice in writing organized and well-developed prose for academic research writing purposes. It introduces students to the elements of good writing and the characteristics of a well-formed paragraphs, outlines and full academic research paper. Students are exposed to the various techniques to paraphrase and write appropriate summary. Students are also given tasks to analyse, synthesise and evaluate texts from various secondary sources and write annotated bibliography. Finally, this course aims to develop students' ability to incorporate information from various secondary sources into an academic secondary research academic paper writing appropriately.
Transferable Skills	Demonstrate ability to identify and articulate self skills, knowledge and understanding confidently and in a variety of contexts (Reflective Learner) - Demonstrate ability to analyse issues/problems from multiple angles and make suggestions (Solution Provider)
Teaching Methodologies	Lectures, Blended Learning, Tutorial, Reading Into Writing Task, Discussion, Presentation, Small Group Sessions , Journal/Article Critique
CLO	CLO1 Apply appropriate writing techniques in academic written discourse CLO2 Demonstrate the ability to analyse academic articles in the areas of English for Professional Communication CLO3 Demonstrate information management and retrieval skills in producing an academic research paper
Pre-Requisite Courses	No course recommendations
Topics	
1. Writing Techniques 1.1) 1.1 Pre-writing: Audience, purpose and style 1.2) 1.2 Gathering information 1.3) 1.3 Writing an outline 1.4) 1.4 Revising: Writing clear sentences 1.5) 1.5 Editing drafts	
2. Organization and development 2.1) 2.1 The central idea 2.2) 2.2 Unity and coherence 2.3) 2.3 Patterns of development 2.4) 2.4 Introductions and conclusions	
3. Documenting sources using APA Style 3.1) 3.1 Locating sources, identifying and evaluating reference materials 3.2) 3.2 Writing in-text citations 3.3) 3.3 Writing references 3.4) 3.4 Recognizing plagiarism and how to avoid plagiarism	
4. Techniques of paraphrasing texts 4.1) 4.1 Grammar Help Method 4.2) 4.2 Retelling Method 4.3) 4.3 Chunking Method	
5. Quoting texts 5.1) 5.1 Types of quotations: block and integrated 5.2) 5.2 Source citation 5.3) 5.3 Punctuation	
6. Summary writing 6.1) 6.1 One-sentence summary 6.2) 6.2 General summary 6.3) 6.3 Focused-summary	
7. Writing annotated bibliography 7.1) 7.1 Purpose of an annotated bibliography 7.2) 7.2 Types of annotated bibliography 7.3) 7.2.1 Descriptive 7.4) 7.2.2 Informative 7.5) 7.2.3 Evaluative 7.6) 7.3 Steps in preparing an annotated bibliography	
8. Synthesizing ideas from various articles into a single text 8.1) 8.1 Steps in preparing an academic research paper 8.2) 8.1.1 Explore topic through concept mapping 8.3) 8.1.2 Develop a thesis statement 8.4) 8.1.3 Develop draft outline of paper 8.5) 8.1.4 Review reference materials 8.6) 8.1.5 Prepare integrated outline 8.7) 8.1.6 Write the draft paper 8.8) 8.1.7 Revise and edit paper for final submission	

Assessment Breakdown		%		
Continuous Assessment		100.00%		
Details of Continuous Assessment	Assessment Type	Assessment Description	% of Total Mark	CLO
	Assignment	Produce 3 Annotated Bibliography based on 3 3 articles in areas of English for Professional Communication that contribute to the attribute of skills displayed in MQFV2.0 LOD3 - Practical Skills	30%	CLO2
	Assignment	n/a	50%	CLO3
	Test	Test several appropriate writing techniques MQF V2.0 LOD 2 - Cognitive	20%	CLO1
Reading List	Recommended Text	Krishnakumari, K., Ahmad Mazli, M. & Subrayan, A. 2019, <i>Academic writing matters: a comprehensive guide for academic writing.</i> , 2nd Ed., McGraw-Hill Kuala Lumpur		
	Reference Book Resources	Oshima, A. & Hogue, A. 2014, <i>Writing Academic English</i> , 6th Ed Ed., Pearson Longman USA		
Article/Paper List	Reference Article/Paper Resources	Anderson, G 2015, New Westminster, B.C.: Justice Institute of British Columbia, <i>JIBC Student Research Skills Development Framework</i> , January 2015 https://www.jibc.ca/sites/default/files/research/pdf/Student-Research-Skills-Development-Framework.pdf		
Other References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website Crawford School of public Policy 2015, <i>Academic and Research Skills handbook</i>, Crawford School of Public Policy, Australia http://crawford.anu.edu.au/.../2015/crawford-academic-skills-handbook-aug-2015 • Website University of Birmingham 2011, <i>Information and Research Skills: Student Pack</i>, University of Birmingham, U.K https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/Documents/libraries/5883LibrarySkillspack-studentst 8.pdf • e-book Szuchman, L.T 2017, <i>Read Writing with Style: APA Style Made Easy</i>, USA http://pubs.ebookssale.info/book=128507 7067 			