



UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA

EPC404: WRITING SKILLS FOR RESEARCH II

Course Name (English)	WRITING SKILLS FOR RESEARCH II APPROVED
Course Code	EPC404
MQF Credit	2
Course Description	This course is designed to develop students' ability to incorporate information from reference materials into their own writing. The course emphasises strategies to summarise and synthesise relevant information. Students are expected to write a short research paper by present information logically and accurately without plagiarising.
Transferable Skills	1) Demonstrate ability to identify and articulate self skills, knowledge and understanding confidently and in a variety of contexts. 2) Demonstrate ability to manage personal performance to meet expectations and demonstrate drive, determination, and accountability. 3) Demonstrate ability to communicate clearly and confidently, and listen critically. 4) Demonstrate ability to socialize with people from different walks of life. 5) Demonstrate enthusiasm, leadership and the ability to positively influence others. 6) Demonstrate maturity of thoughts when responding to multiple inputs and contexts. 7) Demonstrate ability to investigate problems and provide effective solutions. 8) Demonstrate ability to analyse issues/problems from multiple angles and make suggestions.
Teaching Methodologies	Lectures, Tutorial, Reading Into Writing Task, Discussion, Presentation
CLO	CLO1 map concepts visually to show relationship between the concepts CLO2 summarize texts by extracting and paraphrasing relevant main points CLO3 synthesize relevant information logically from single text to multiple texts CLO4 revise and edit texts for logic and linguistic accuracy CLO5 write a short research paper
Pre-Requisite Courses	No course recommendations
Topics	
1. Map concepts visually to show relationship between concepts 1.1) Extract relevant key concepts from various sources 1.2) Organise concepts according to the appropriate text structure 1.3) Map concepts	
2. Summarize texts by extracting and paraphrasing relevant main points 2.1) Extracting relevant main points from various reference materials 2.2) One-sentence summary 2.3) Short informative summary	
3. Synthesize main points and ideas from various reference materials 3.1) What is synthesizing? 3.2) Integrating source materials smoothly into writing 3.3) Apply the conventions of academic writing to present information	
4. Revising and editing text for logic and linguistic accuracy 4.1) Revising for content and organization 4.2) Editing and for effective expression 4.3) Proof-reading	
5. Write a short research paper using various sources 5.1) Steps in preparing a short research paper 5.2) Writing the outline of the paper 5.3) Writing of final draft short research paper	

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	60.00%
Final Assessment	40.00%

Details of Continuous Assessment	Assessment Type	Assessment Description	% of Total Mark	CLO
	Test	Test 1 - concept map	20%	CLO1
	Test	Test 2 - Summarizing	20%	CLO2
	Test	Test 3 - Editing and proofreading	20%	CLO3 , CLO4

Reading List	Recommended Text
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Krishnakumari, K., NorAzni Abdullah, & Ahmad Mazli 2010, <i>Writing with Sources: A guidebook for academic writers</i>, 1st Ed., Macgraw-Hill Kuala Lumpur

Article/Paper List	
	This Course does not have any article/paper resources

Other References	
	This Course does not have any other resources