

## Rhetoric and Guided Writing

Instructor: Ching Kang Liu  
 Time: Tuesday (13:10-15:00)  
 Office hours: Monday (3:30 – 4:30 pm); Tuesday (3:30 – 4:30 pm)

Textbooks: Butler et al. *Correct Writing*. 6<sup>th</sup> Ed. MA: D. C. Heath and Company, 1995. (書林) (CW)  
 Arnaudet, M. L. and M. E. Barrett. *Paragraph Development*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. NY: Prentice Hall Regents, 1990. (文鶴) (PD)

Objectives: 1. To help students establish a rational and methodical approach to English writing.  
 2. To drive home the idea of “sentence” and “paragraph” so that students can produce accurate sentences and coherent, well-organized paragraphs and short articles.  
 3. To introduce fundamental concepts and basic skills in English rhetoric and logical arguments to be applied to English writing.

Instruction: The instruction will be mainly discussions on the basis of questions asked by the students or prepared by the instructor. Occasionally, top-down theories regarding generally English grammar and meanings will be involved in the instruction.

Assignment: Students will be required to produce **a common course material through the website** (to be arranged according to how much the new web server can provide). Information is to be added to the assigned area and each student will be assigned to contribute some tasks to make the whole “chapter” complete.  
**Quizzes are required every week** and students should finish reading the assigned materials in the tentative schedule before coming to class.

Grades: Participation/assignments 50%  
 Midterm 25%  
 Final 25%

**A tentative schedule (1):**

Wks	Date	Contents	Weekly Quizzes (CW)
1	09/18	Orientation (Having textbooks ready)	
2	09/25	<b>Holiday</b>	
3	10/02	CW: Unit 1 PD: Unit 1 pp. 1-6	Exercises 5-8 (Liu)
4	10/09	CW: Unit 2 PD: Unit 1 pp. 7-13	Exercises 9-13 (Liu)
5	10/16	CW: Unit 8 PD: Unit 1 pp. 14-21	Exercises 36-39 (Liu)
6	10/23	CW: Unit 9 PD: Unit 2 pp. 23-28	Exercises 40-43 (Liu)
7	10/30	CW: Unit 10 PD: Unit 2 pp. 29-34	Exercises 44-46 (Hsu)
8	11/06	CW: Unit 11 PD: Unit 2 pp. 35-40	Exercises 47-49 (Hsu)
9	11/13	<b>Midterm</b>	
10	11/20	CW: Unit 12 PD: Unit 3 pp. 40-47	Exercises 50-53 (Hsu)
11	11/27	CW: Unit 13 PD: Unit 3 pp. 49-56	Exercises 54-56 (Hsu)
12	12/04	CW: Unit 3 PD: Unit 3 pp. 56-63	Exercises 14-18 (Ren)
13	12/11	CW: Unit 4 PD: Unit 3 pp. 64-70	Exercises 19-23 (Ren)
14	12/18	CW: Unit 5 PD: Unit 4 pp. 71-76	Exercises 24-26 (Ren)
15	12/25	CW: Unit 6 PD: Unit 4 pp. 76-86	Exercises 27-32 (Ren)
16	01/01	<b>Holiday</b>	
17	01/08	CW: Unit 7 PD: Unit 4 pp. 86-94	Exercises 33-35 (Liu)
18	01/15	<b>Final</b>	(Homework)

## A tentative schedule (2):

Wks	Date	Contents	Weekly Quiz (CW)
1	02/19	<b>Exams</b> for homework	(Exam for homework)
2	02/26	CW: Unit 14      PD: Unit 5   pp. 95-98	Exercises 57-58 (Hsu)
3	03/04	CW: Unit 15      PD: Unit 5   pp. 99-110	Exercises 59-60 (Hsu)
4	03/11	CW: Unit 16      PD: Unit 5   pp. 110-15	Exercises 61-62 (Hsu)
5	03/18	CW: Unit 17      PD: Unit 5   pp. 117-22	Exercises 63-64 (Hsu)
6	04/25	CW: Unit 17      PD: Unit 6   pp. 123-28	Exercises 65-66 (Liu)
7	04/01	CW: Unit 18      PD: Unit 6   pp. 128-34	Exercises 67 (Liu)
8	04/08	CW: Unit 19      PD: Unit 6   pp. 134-38	Exercises 68-70 (Liu)
9	04/15	CW: Unit 19      PD: Unit 6   pp. 139-44	Exercises 71-73 (Liu)
10	04/22	<b>Midterm</b>	
11	04/29	CW: Unit 20      PD: Unit 6   pp. 144-50	Exercises 74-76 (Ren)
12	05/06	CW: Unit 20      PD: Unit 6   pp. 151-56	Exercises 77-78 (Ren)
13	05/13	CW: Unit 21      PD: Unit 7   pp. 156-61	Exercises 79-84 (Ren)
14	05/20	CW: Unit 22      PD: Unit 7   pp. 161-66	Exercises 85-88 (Ren)
15	05/27	CW: Unit 22      PD: Unit 7   pp. 167-74	Exercises 89-92 (Liu)
16	06/03	CW: Unit 24      PD: Unit 8   pp. 174-80	Exercises 98-100 (Hsu)
17	06/10	Review	
18	06/17	<b>Final</b>	