Description and demands

A. Purpose

One of the central purposes of the course is to facilitate candidates for the University with reading and comprehension of texts in English. The course will focus on topics and texts that are relevant to the students’ academic literacy.

To advance reading comprehension, students will also engage in a writing assignment, and other in-class and out-of-class tasks, such that focus on academic content and language.

B. Materials


2. Students may be required to search the Internet and possibly the library for a selection of texts.

3. Dictionary: Choose the format you are most comfortable with. No smart phone dictionaries, no laptops or tablets allowed.

→ Dictionaries may not be shared nor may they beep during exams.

C. Departmental rules:

1. Being punctual and attending class regularly – no exceptions.
2. Bringing assigned texts and books to class regularly
3. Completing class and home assignments and handing them in on time when requested to do so.

D. Grades: the following 5 components need to be fulfilled and completed in order to pass the course (the level you were placed into.)

   i. 2 unseens 25% each
   ii. 2 summaries 5% each*
   iii. A Final Exam: 40% (with minimum passing grade of 56)

Another grade, only for the purpose of calculating your English part in the NATIV grade, will take into account your final exam grade even if it is below 56

Only one Final Exam is allowed in this program (NO moed Bets)

Dates of exams: Unseens & Final exams will appear with all your other scheduled exams.

*Summary writing assignments (10%):

Assigned texts for this assignment will be available for your use only by mid-semester, and only after enough instructions have been given throughout the weekly meetings. The main component of the grade of the summary is following instructions/guidelines that have been introduced by the teacher throughout the semester and later on- specifically for this assignment.

ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DUE DATES and a grade of O will be assigned