PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

English, a transfer program, is an academic discipline focusing on the development of language skills through composition, critical thinking, and the study of literature and writing. Language skills provide an essential foundation for academic and career success. The study of English enhances a wide variety of intellectual skills while exposing students to a major source of cultural enrichment. The scope of the English program includes Freshman Composition, Critical Thinking and Composition, Introduction to Literature, American Literature, English Literature, World Literature, Survey of Drama, Analysis of Fiction, Analysis of Poetry, Survey of Shakespeare, World Folklore, Introduction to Creative Writing, Creative Writing: Fiction, Adolescent Literature, Children’s Literature, Introduction to African American Literature, American Indian Literature, Women and Literature, Latin American Literature in Translation, Multiethnic Literature, and Film and Literature.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Transfer Degree
For any BA/BS careers, please see your transfer institution.

TRANSFER PREPARATION

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Present a clear, reasoned, well supported, clearly organized argument, demonstrating college-level writing skills.
- Recognize writing as a process of developing, drafting, revising, and editing.
- Conduct research appropriate to a narrowly specific topic, understanding how to find and evaluate the credibility of sources, incorporating information, concepts and ideas from outside sources through summarizing, paraphrasing, and quoting to develop strong, well-supported arguments, citing sources according to Modern Language Association guidelines.
- Analyze text, recognizing the arguments presented, and construct an effective, argumentative or persuasive response, synthesizing information, concepts, and ideas from various sources and including that knowledge in effective, well-reasoned arguments.
- Demonstrate understanding of acknowledged methods of critical thinking and analysis of literature.
Note: Every effort has been made to keep program information current. Please use this information as a guide and consult with the chair of the department/program or an MSJC counselor.
ENGL-092 Accelerated English Fundamentals and Skills (determined by Accuplacer placement score or successful completion of ENGL-061 or ENGL-062)

ENGL-061 Basic Grammar & Usage (determined by Accuplacer placement score)

ENGL-062 Basic Writing Skills (determined by Accuplacer placement score or successful completion of ENGL-061)

ENGL-098 English Fundamentals (determined by Accuplacer placement score or successful completion of ENGL-062)

ENGL-101 Freshman Composition (determined by Accuplacer placement score or successful completion of ENGL-092 or 098 or ESL-098 or appropriate assessment test score)

ENGL-103 Critical Thinking & Writing (determined by Accuplacer placement score or successful completion of ENGL-101)