COMMON COURSE OUTLINE: Course discipline/number/title: ENGL 0910: Basic Grammar and Usage

A. CATALOG DESCRIPTION
   1. Credits: 2
   2. Hours/Week: 2
   3. Prerequisites (Course discipline/number): Appropriate score on the RCTC placement test or completion of appropriate developmental course with grade of C or better.
   4. Co-requisites (Course discipline/number): None
   5. MnTC Goals (if any): NA

In this course, students will learn basic sentence components including subject/verb identification and agreement, run-on sentences, fragments, correct verb form, correct pronoun usage proper punctuation and capitalization, and parallel structure. This course provides a grammar review for those desiring a refresher course.

B. DATE LAST REVISED (Month, year): August, 2004

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS:
   1. Subject/verb identification
   2. Singular and plural subjects and verbs
   3. Prepositions and prepositional phrases
   4. Main verbs and helping verbs
   5. Indefinite pronouns as subjects
   6. Subjects joined as conjunctions
   7. Compound sentences
   8. Complex and compound sentences
   9. Run-on sentences and comma splices
   10. Fragments
   11. Parenthetical expressions
   12. Appositives
   13. Restrictive and non-restrictive clauses
   14. Items in a series, names, and dates
   15. Subjective, objective and possessive pronouns
   16. Pronouns in comparisons
   17. Reflexive pronouns
   18. Agreement of pronouns and their antecedents
   19. Order of pronouns and spelling of possessives
   20. Misplaced and Dangling Modifiers
   21. Parallel structure
   22. Irregular verbs
   23. Capitalization

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (GENERAL): The student will be able to:
   1. Identify parts of speech.
   2. Identify relationships between parts of a sentence.
   3. Demonstrate the ability to write a variety of sentences.

E. LEARNING OUTCOMES (MNTC): NA

F. METHODS FOR EVALUATION OF STUDENT LEARNING:
   1. Objective exams
   2. Quizzes
   3. Written homework
   4. Small group work
   5. Oral presentations
   6. Journals
   7. Any other method deemed appropriate by the individual instructor or so indicated on his/her syllabus
G. SPECIAL INFORMATION (if any): None