REA - READING

REA 030 Reading I
This initial course is for students who need to improve upon basic skills that aid in reading. This course is designed for students who must strengthen their comprehension, language usage, and strategic reading skills.
Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:
Demonstrate strategy for understanding unknown words.
Demonstrate understanding in reading comprehension.
Identify and use language and structural clues as an aid to comprehension in reading materials.
Demonstrate critical reading through writing.
Demonstrate strategic reading in a variety of materials.
3 Credits 3 Weekly Lecture Hours

REA 050 Reading II
Reading II is designed for students who need to improve their ability to understand and retain the material they read in college. Emphasis in the course is on reading comprehension, language clues, structural clues, critical thinking, and strategic reading.
Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:
Demonstrate proficiency in reading comprehension skills.
Identify and use language and structural clues as an aid to comprehension in reading materials.
Demonstrate critical thinking through writing.
Demonstrate strategic reading in a variety of materials.
Prerequisites: REA 030 or ESL 045. Appropriate placement test scores may be accepted.
3 Credits 3 Weekly Lecture Hours

REA 075 Introduction to Reading and Writing
This class combines REA 050 and ENG 050 and emphasizes the relationship between reading and writing. It includes comprehensive review and writing practice in the fundamentals of English grammar, word choice, punctuation, and paragraph construction. Additionally, it is designed for students who need to improve their ability to understand and retain the materials they read in college. To this end, emphasis will be placed upon reading comprehension, language clues, structural clues, critical thinking, and strategic reading. NOTE: Credits from the course are not applicable toward a degree Prerequisites: Placement via the College Placement process, or successful completion of all required ESL classes. Students must be eligible for ENG 050 and REA 050 to place into this course.
Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:
Demonstrate critical reading, thinking, and writing in various rhetorical situations and make appropriate rhetorical choices for given writing tasks.
Demonstrate proficient comprehension of and a critical assessment of college-appropriate texts using strategic and critical reading.
Identify and use language and structural clues as aids to comprehension of reading materials.
Develop a thesis for an essay that will be supported with evidence.
Demonstrate that writing is a process.
Utilize basic research skills to produce a final, polished written product.
Apply formal conventions of written American English with respect to grammar, mechanics, and punctuation.
Prerequisites: ESL 043 and ESL 044 and ESL 045 and ESL 046. Appropriate placement test scores may be accepted.
5 Credits 5 Weekly Lecture Hours

REA 100 Critical Reading
Critical Reading addresses both literal and abstract comprehension strategies at a college level. Students will apply contextual reasoning, interpretive processing, figurative analysis and inferential reasoning to a variety of reading materials.
Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:
Differentiate between main idea and supporting details.
Recognize bias in a variety of materials.
Discriminate between the facts and opinions.
Demonstrate critical judgement and analytical thought in writing.
Apply interpretive and inferential analysis in order to read critically.
Evaluate persuasive and argumentative reasoning.
Prerequisites: REA 050 or REA 075 or ENG 099. Appropriate placement test scores may be accepted.
3 Credits 3 Weekly Lecture Hours