ALP Writing Objectives by Level

PROGRAM LEARNING GOAL ONE: Students will be able to generate ideas based on readings and discussions, and formulate a plan for expressing them cognizant of audience, purpose and voice.

Student Learning Objectives

Foundations	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Students will employ strategies	Students will employ strategies of	Students will employ strategies of	Students will employ prewriting
of pre-writing organization:	pre-writing organization:	pre-writing organization:	strategies: brainstorming, listing,
brainstorming, bubble diagrams	brainstorming, bubble diagrams,	brainstorming, bubble diagrams,	mapping, or outlining.
or outlines.	tree diagrams or outlines.	Venn diagrams or outlines.	
Students will determine audience	Students will determine audience	Students will determine audience	Students will determine audience
and purpose.	for and purpose of writing.	for and purpose of writing as well	and purpose for writing as well as
		as voice appropriate for audience	appropriate voice for audience and
		and purpose.	purpose.

PROGRAM LEARNING GOAL TWO: Students will be able to write paragraphs and essays using academic rhetorical patterns.

Foundations	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Students will write guided and unguided paragraphs and journals.	Students will write guided and unguided paragraphs and journals.	Students will write guided and unguided paragraphs, essays, and journals.	Students will write unguided paragraphs, essays, and journals.
Students will demonstrate competency in the form of the paragraph: topic sentence, supporting sentences, and conclusion.	Students will demonstrate competency in the form of the paragraph: topic sentence, supporting sentences, and conclusion.	Students will demonstrate competency in the form of the paragraph: topic sentence and supporting sentences within an essay.	Students will demonstrate competency in the form of the paragraph: topic sentence and supporting sentences within an essay.
	Students will begin to understand and write short essays.	Students will demonstrate competency in the form of the essay: ability to formulate thesis, body, and conclusion.	Students will demonstrate competency in the form of the essay: Introduction with thesis statement, body, and conclusion.

Students will begin to develop	Students will develop	Students will begin to	Students will demonstrate
ideas cohesively using	ideas cohesively using supporting	demonstrate competency in the	competency in the writing of major
supporting details.	details.	writing of major and minor support for an idea.	and minor support for an idea.
Students will write paragraphs using chronological order, description, process and narration. Opinion writing will be introduced.	Students will write process descriptive, narrative, and opinion paragraphs and essays. Comparative/Contrastive paragraphs and essays will be introduced.	Students will write argumentative/opinion, comparative/contrastive, narrative and cause/effect essays.	Students will write cause/effect; comparative/contrastive; argumentative/opinion (and refutation) essays.
Students will write <i>at least one</i> 100 hundred word paragraphs.	Students will write <i>at least two</i> 200 word paragraphs or essays.	Students will write <i>at least two</i> 350 word essays.	Students will write <i>at least two</i> 500 word essays.
Students will be able to use standard formatting for paragraphs.	Students will be able to use standard formatting for paragraphs or essays.	Students will be able to use standard formatting for paragraphs or essays.	Students will be able to use standard formatting for paragraphs or essays.

PROGRAM LEARNING GOAL THREE: Students will be able to select, and use appropriate resources for research assignments. Students will be able to select, use and cite resources in their writing.

Foundations	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Students will write paragraphs	Students will write paragraphs	Students will write essays and	Students will write essays and
with reference to texts.	with reference to texts.	paragraphs with reference to texts	paragraphs with reference to texts,
		and support writing based on	and support writing based on
		information in texts.	information in texts.
	Students will write summaries and	Students will write summaries	Students will write summaries and
	paraphrase texts.	and paraphrase texts.	paraphrase texts.
Students will use information in	Students will use information in an	Students will use information in	Students will use information in an
an ethical and legal manner.	ethical and legal manner.	an ethical and legal manner.	ethical and legal manner.

PROGRAM LEARNING GOAL FOUR: Students will be able to construct grammatically correct sentences that convey the writer's intended meaning.

Foundations	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Students will write using compound subjects, verbs, and objects. Write a blend of compound and complex sentences which are reflective of thoughts students intend to write. Students will make revising and editing a part of the writing process.	Students will write using compound subjects, verbs, and objects. Write a blend of compound and complex sentence which are reflective of thoughts students intend to write. Students will make revising and editing a part of the writing process.	Students will write an effective blend of simple sentences with compound elements, compound and complex sentences, all of which are reflective of thoughts students intend to write. Students will make revising and editing a part of the writing process.	Students will write an effective blend of simple sentences with compound elements, compound and complex sentences, all of which are reflective of thoughts students intend to write. Students will make revision and editing part of the writing process.
Students will use capitalization and punctuation correctly. Grammar Considerations:	Students will use capitalization and punctuation correctly.	Students will use capitalization and punctuation correctly.	Students will use capitalization and punctuation correctly.
Students will use the simple present, present progressive, simple past, and future tenses in writing.		Students will write using varied structures derived from grammar including but not limited to gerund phrase subject sentences or sentences using statements of purpose.	Students will use a variety of tenses, the passive voice, gerunds and infinitives to communicate effectively.
		Students will use appropriate verb tenses. Students will use verbs of influence, causative verbs, modal auxiliaries	Students will use appropriate verb tenses.
		and phrasal verbs clearly and coherently in writing.	

PROGRAM LEARNING GOAL FIVE: Students will demonstrate a blend of basic and sophisticated language that is level appropriate.

Foundations	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Students will use vocabulary that	Students will use vocabulary that	Students will use vocabulary that	Students will use vocabulary that is
is varied and appropriate for	is varied and appropriate for level	is varied and appropriate for level	varied and appropriate for level
Foundations.	one.	two.	three.

Assessment	
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Foundations	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
 Students will write	 Students will write	 Students will write paragraphs	 Students will write paragraphs
sentences and paragraphs in	paragraphs and essays in	and essays in class and out of	and essays in class and out of
class and out of class. Students will show their	class and out of class. Students will show their	class. Students will show their	class. Students will show their
prewriting strategies. Students will show their	prewriting strategies. Students will show their	prewriting strategies. Students will show their revising	prewriting strategies. Students will show their revising
revising and editing skills. Rubrics will be used to help	revising and editing skills. Rubrics will be used to help	and editing skills. Rubrics will be used to help	and editing skills. Rubrics will be used to help
assess student performance. Students will share their	assess student performance. Students will share their	assess student performance. Students will share their work	assess student performance. Students will share their work
work with classmates and	work with classmates and	with classmates and the	with classmates and the
the classmates will help	the classmates will help	classmates will help revise and	classmates will help revise and
revise and edit the work.	revise and edit the work.	edit the work.	edit the work.