English

1. Course number and name: 020ANGES4 English

2. Credits and contact hours: 4 ECTS credits, 2x1:15 contact hours per week

3. Name(s) of instructor(s) or course coordinator(s): Ghada El Hachem

4. Instructional materials: Instructor's handouts.

5. Specific course information

a. Catalog description:

This course is designed to develop critical thinking, reading, oral and writing skills. It focuses on synthesizing sources producing a research paper and defending it in front of an audience. Emphasis is on the analytical reading of different text types required in the disciplines as well as on synthesis from a variety of sources to produce a written text and present it orally.

b. prerequisite: None.

c. Required for CCE, EE, and ME students

6. Educational objectives for the course

a. Specific outcomes of instruction:

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Write academic genre in which they demonstrate understanding of writing as a series of tasks, including finding, evaluating, analyzing, and synthesizing sources, and as a process that involves planning, drafting, revising, and editing, while applying to reference in the area of specialization.
- Deliver spoken ideas ethically and effectively through research, analysis, appropriate language, organization, and critical thinking.
- Understand with ease virtually everything heard and read.
- Summarize information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments and accounts in a coherent presentation.
- Express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning in complex situations

b. PIs addressed by the course:

PI	3.1	3.2
Covered	X	X
Assessed	X	X

7. Brief list of topics to be covered

- Introduction to the course
- Scholarly and non-scholarly articles

- Academic style: Achieving academic style in disciplinary writing/ Formality in academic writing
- Improving fluency in speaking
- Introducing yourself and your topic
- Note-taking
- Reading for research writing: locating and evaluating sources
- Research writing: paraphrasing and summarizing sources in disciplinary writing
- Guidelines on presentation aids
- Informative speech
- Types of claims and hedging
- Synthesis
- Academic vocabulary and useful phrases
- Writing an introduction
- Conferencing/Synthesis
- Persuasive speech (Topics relevant to discipline)
- Elements of Style
- MDP Report Workshop
- Debate Guidelines
- Discussion Section
- Discussion & Conclusion
- Abstract
- Group Debate
- Conferencing
- Guidelines for the oral presentation of the paper in class
- Oral presentations