Course Title	Academic Writing	Instructor(s)	Won Kim			
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Class Style	Lecture	Office Hours	TBD			
Track	English Education	Mode of Instruction	In-person			
Credits	2	Allocated Year	2			
Active Learning		Compulsory or Elective	Compulsory			
Course Overview	In this introductory course, students will be introduced to an SFL (systemic functional					
	linguistics)-informed functional lens through which to read and write academic texts.					
	Students will be able to develop their functional understanding of language in academic					
	contexts by conceiving of writing essentially as a system of linguistic choices that are					
	closely interwoven with its context. Students will be able to gain strategies, skills, and					
	functionally-oriented meta-linguistic awareness for constructing and representing in-					
	formation, ideas, and knowledge in academic settings. Students will be engaged in					
	reading and writing various types of academic texts widely accepted across disciplines					
	such as academic definitions, descriptive reports, data commentaries, problem solu- tions, and research-based writing. By producing and revising multiple drafts of these types of academic texts, students will be able to build and strengthen their schorlarly voices as academic writers who can creatively and critically control salient language features of academic writing that is descriptive, explanatory, evaluative, argumentative,					
	abstract, and technical					
Course Objectives	To develop students' confidence and competence as academic writers in writing in Eng-					
	lish for academic purposes by					
	1)gaining their awareness of language as resources for meaning making in and through					
	academic texts and					
	expanding and deepening their understanding, abilities and skills in making appropriate					

	cho	choices of language for representing, organizing, and negotiating ideas/information in a		
	give	given communicative context for academic readers		
Prerequisite				
Course Schedule	<u>No</u>	Contents Introduction to the course: an overview of the course content/aims, and assessments; diagnostic writing task	Homework	
	2	Intro to a functional lens/approach to language: functional perspectives of language and major meta-linguistic concepts		
	3	Intro to academic definitions (part 1): Intro to assignment #1; components of academic definitions		
	4	Intro to academic definitions (part 2): defining and describing; noun groups with pre/post-modifiers		
	5	Integrating other scholarly voices into your writing (part 1): Paraphrasing; citing/referencing		
	6	Integrating other scholarly voices into your writing (part 2): paraphrasing strategies and practice; nominalization		
	7	Intro to data commentaries (part 1): Intro to Assignment #2; deconstructing textual and language features of data commentaries		
	8	Organizing ideas logically (part 1): organizing ideas using theme and rheme; types of thematic patterns in academic texts		
	9	Organizing ideas logically (part 2): cohesion and coherence; building explicit and implicit logic in writing		

11		Interpersonal positioning in writing: writing as scholarly	
	10	conversations: using interactional resources for	
		academic stances and positioning	
	11	Data commentary peer review and revision: exchanging	
		peer feedback on the data commentary assignment	
		Problem solutions: Intro to Assignment #3; defining,	
	12	representing, and discussing a problem academically	
	10	Problem solutions (part 2): deconstructing the language	
	13	and textual features of a problem solution text	
		Evaluative language: language of modality;	
	14	connotations/denotations; interpersonal grammatical	
		metaphor; objectivity and subjectivity	
	4.5	Review and reflection: peer feedback on the problem	
	15	solution assignment	
Grading	Quizzes: 15% Writing assignments: multi-draft-based writing assignments (total 7)		
Textbooks	Learning materials will be provided by the instructor		
References	Thompson, G. (2014). Introducing functional grammar. Routledge. Banks, D. (2019). A systematic functional grammar of English: A simple introduction. Routledge.		
NOTES	This syllabus is tentative, and the course content and assessment are subject to change.		