

Fall 2016
Professor Wu
ENG 092W Section LC64 Developmental Writing
M/W 10:00-11:15 N606
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Office Hours: directly after class
 TU 10:00 to 10:30
 TH 10:00 to 10:30

Required Texts:

1. *Navigating the CATW* by Michele Fine
2. Freedom to Write (will be provided)
3. 27 Grammar Drills (will be provided)
4. American Heritage dictionary
5. notebook specifically for our class
6. pocket folder for handouts
7. colored highlight marker
8. flash drive for writing work

Course Description: Our goal is to become better writers and readers. Our focus will be on reading texts closely, generating writing ideas, organizing ideas into well-developed essays. We will also focus on sentence structure, word choice, and grammar. Please be prepared to read, discuss, and write each week. Expect to prepare two portfolios of your writing work to be submitted at midterm and at the end of the semester.

Regular class attendance is expected. If you miss more than 4 classes you will fail the course. Class starts on time, so be on time. Two lateness equals one absence. In addition, leaving the class before the period ends or napping during class will not be tolerated. Multiple tardies will be counted toward absences. **NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES ALLOWED DURING CLASS** (no calls, no charging).

Final Grade to be determined by CATW exam (CUNY Assessment Test of Writing). Students must fulfill the following in order to sit for **CATW exam (tentatively second week December)**.

1. Pass the midterm and final portfolio reviews.
2. Submit NYTimes article summary each week.
3. Complete assigned HW and essay revisions.
4. Meet attendance requirements (as described above).
5. Participate in class discussions.
6. Work with 092 Writing / Grammar Tutors in AG 27. **Six visits required (3 before midterm)**.

Writing Tutors: M-F 10-6

Grammar Tutors: M 12-2 / Wed 12-1 / T and Th 10-4.

Important Dates:

Pizza Orientation Event: 9/15 in N1001 at 1pm

Official Departmental Practice Exams: 10/20, 11/17, 12/8

For next class: Search and Printout “Why Chinese Mothers are Superior” by Amy Chua

In WSJ (Wall Street Journal) and Bring Dictionary.

Register for the final CATW exam: You must have a City Tech Email address to register for the CATW. If you do not know how to access your email, go to the Welcome Center on the first floor Atrium Building for assistance.

Register for your NYTimes subscription: Thanks to CUNY Libraries, students now have **full complimentary access to NYTimes.com and NYTimes mobile apps**, as well as their international editions. **Please visit nytimes.com/passes** to activate your free Pass. CUNY's subscription entitles all people with a cuny.edu email domain to acquire a subscription to the digital NYTimes so **you must register using your City Tech email. Get Started:** Go to nytimes.com/passes.

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3. If your email address is from an eligible school, you will then see "Check your email." Look for our message, Confirm Your Email Address, which should arrive within 15 minutes.
4. Click on the link in our confirmation email. This will simultaneously verify your eligibility and grant your Academic Pass, which will provide access to NYTimes.com for 52 weeks.
5. If you don't get our confirmation email, check your spam filter. If you still do not receive it, send an email from your school email account to edu@nytimes.com

Week 1 8/29 8/31	Orientation “How Walking in Nature Changes the Brain” <i>Freedom</i> p14 Read Chapters 1,2,3 in <i>Freedom</i> Print/Read/Bring to class: “Why Chinese Mothers are Superior” by Amy Chua in WSJ Bring dictionary. Practice Outline for “Chinese Mothers” p50 <i>Navigating</i> Grammar focus: What is a sentence? <i>Grammar Drills</i> Chapter 1 (Ex 1 and 2)
Week 2 9/7	NO CLASS 9/5 Continue work on “Chinese Mothers” ALSO please have <i>Navigating</i> textbook by this day. Printout//Read/Bring to class ready to discuss short story “Two Kinds” by Amy Tan
Week 3 9/12 & 9/14	“Helping Animals in Need” and Summarizing <i>Freedom</i> Chapter 5 and <i>Navigating</i> p6-8. Read and be prepared to discuss “Fast-Food Fatheads” p2-5 in <i>Navigating</i> Summarizing practice Writing Focus: Quoting and Paraphrasing <i>Freedom</i> Chapter 7 Grammar Focus: Coordination and Subordination <i>Navigating</i> p26-30 <i>Grammar Drills</i> Chapter 1 (ex 3,4,5,6 and 11)
Week 4 9/19 9/21	Read “Doing Time and Learning” <i>Navigating</i> p14 Summarizing practice Reading Focus: Vocabulary <i>Navigating</i> p19-24 Print/Read/Bring to class ready to discuss “Black Men and Public Space” by Brent Staples
Week 5 9/26 9/28	“Black Men and Public Space” -- Be prepared to discuss on this day. Reading Focus: Identifying Main Ideas p35 and Supporting Details p48-51 <u>Outlining <i>Navigating</i> p50 and creating your own outline for your essay <i>Freedom</i> Ch 4</u>
Week 6 10/5 W 10/6 TH	NO CLASS 10/3 M Turn in Summary and Outline on CATW essay for “Black Men” CATW Essay on “Black Men” BLUE BOOK ESSAY Assign HW Sentence Errors <i>Navigating</i> p12-14 and <i>Grammar Drills</i> Ch 1 (ex10 and 12)
Week 7 NO CLASS	NO CLASS 10/10 and 10/12
Week 8 10/17 10/19	Grammar Focus: Sentence Errors <i>Navigating</i> p12-14 TH 10/20 Official CATW <i>Grammar Drills</i> Ch 1 (ex10 and 12) practice exam 12:45 Writing Focus: The Paragraph Part I <i>Navigating</i> p52 <i>Navigating</i> Part II p65 <i>Navigating</i> Development p77-80 and Show vs Tell p80 Writing Focus: The Body Paragraphs: <i>Freedom</i> Ch 6 HW Revise CATW: “Black Men”
Week 9 10/24 26	DUE Midterm Portfolio and Midterm CATW Exam catch up day
Week 10 10/31 11/2	<i>Ted Talk</i> Sherry Turkle <i>Modern Romance</i> Aziz Ansari excerpts HW: Write Summaries CATW essay “Stop Googling. Let’s Talk.”

Week 9 11/7 11/9	Reading Focus: Making Inferences <i>Navigating</i> p80-82 Writing Focus: Transitions and Connectors <i>Navigating</i> p83 and <i>Freedom</i> Ch 8 <i>Navigating</i> Chapter 9: Evaluating the CATW Essay and <i>Freedom</i> p66 CATW Score Sheet
Week 10 11/14 11/16	<i>Ted Talk</i> Angela Duckworth on Grit CATW essay “The Psychology of Interest” TH 11/17 Official CATW practice exam 12:45
Week 11 11/21 11/23	CATW essay from <i>Freedom</i> “A Mother’s Cookbook” Print/Read/Bring to class ready to discuss <i>NYT</i> “Jacques Pepin’s Food Memories”
Week 12 11/28 11/30	CATW essay from <i>Freedom</i> “But Will it Make you Happy”
Week 13 12/5 12/7	Final Portfolio is Due TH 12/8 Official CATW practice exam 12:45
Week 14 12/12 12/14	Review for Final CATW Exam (Date TBA)