

# HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

## COURSE OUTLINE

### 1. COURSE TITLE

Research Skills in English Language and Literature

### 2. COURSE CODE

ENGL3005

### 3. NO. OF UNITS

3 Units

### 4. OFFERING DEPARTMENT

Department of English Language and Literature

### 5. PREREQUISITES

Nil

### 6. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

English

### 7. AIMS & OBJECTIVES

- 1) Familiarizing students with basic research skills in language and literature;
- 2) Improving students' writing skills in English;
- 3) Strengthening students' ability to discuss linguistic and literary topics;
- 4) Developing students' critical and analytical skills;
- 5) Preparing students to undertake research-based writing such as the Honours Project.

### 8. COURSE CONTENT

- I. Discipline-related Genres of Writing: Language and linguistics, English Literature, Comparative Literature and Stylistics
- II. Techniques for Selecting a Subject, Topic or Thesis
- III. The Thought Processes for Organizing Ideas and Setting Goals
- IV. Data Gathering: Primary and Secondary Sources
- V. The Note Writing Process and Organization of Notes
- VI. Writing the Paper
- VII. The Processes of Proofreading, Editing and Revision

## 9. COURSE INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES (CILOs)

<u>CILO</u>	<u>By the end of the course, students should be able to:</u>
CILO 1	Identify and evaluate different research methodologies
CILO 2	Select and explain the choice of an appropriate research method for a specific discipline or topic
CILO 3	Utilize research techniques such as using library and electronic sources, collecting related primary and secondary sources, and analyzing different texts/data
CILO 4	Write up a research project in the appropriate format and style

## 10. TEACHING & LEARNING ACTIVITIES (TLAs)

<u>CILO alignment</u>	<u>Type of TLA</u>
CILO 1	- Complete in-class writing assignments about examining motivations of research, conventions of academic research and evaluating research
CILO 2	- Complete in-class writing assignments about examining motivations of research and evaluating research - Complete a term paper on a topic of their own choosing from the fields of linguistics, English literature, comparative literature or stylistics
CILO 3	- Participate in library session - Complete in-class writing assignments about data collection methods - Complete a term paper on a topic of their own choosing from the fields of linguistics, English literature, comparative literature or stylistics
CILO 4	- Complete in-class writing assignments about conventions of academic research - Complete a term paper on a topic of their own choosing from the fields of linguistics, English literature, comparative literature or stylistics

## 11. ASSESSMENT METHODS (AMs)

<u>Type of Assessment Methods</u>	<u>Weighting</u>	<u>CILOs to be addressed</u>	<u>Description of Assessment Tasks</u>
Coursework	100 %	1, 2, 3, 4	Coursework may consist of library exercises, in-class writing assignments, and/or group projects where students to identify research topics, select and apply appropriate methodologies and construct a research project.

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