English 4E is a new kind of class for students ambitious to complete their Entry-Level Writing Requirement in the summer. We have designed it especially for students who have heavy summer work schedules or family obligations, or who live too far from campus to commute every day. The course also welcomes those who simply want to try a hybrid course that combines classroom and online instruction.

English 4E provides students with the opportunity to refine their critical thinking, reading, and writing abilities so that they can write clear and strong academic arguments in proficient academic English.

The accompanying one-unit discussion course, English 4DE, is a combination of online and small-group meetings that focus on critical reading, organizing one’s thoughts, honing syntax, and asking and answering academic questions.

Students who pass English 4E with a grade of “C” or better have completed the UC-ELWR and are eligible to enroll in English 1A.

The hybrid class and discussion sections will meet on campus one day a week and the remaining classes will be held online for live interaction and instruction.

The live, online experience will feature Adobe Connect, a program like Skype, designed for presentation and discussion.

Many assignments will be digital in format. For example, wiki assignments, blogs, and discussion boards will encourage students to consider the role of written communication in an online environment. Grammar instruction will make use of podcasts and online tests.

A condition of enrollment for this hybrid class is to have access to a computer and internet connection capable of accessing all material.

Personal Computer requirements can be found at:
To test your computer’s compatibility with Adobe Connect, visit:
The Entry-Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) is a University of California reading and writing proficiency requirement that all first-year students must satisfy either before beginning courses on a UC campus or during the first year of enrollment. If students have not passed the requirement upon entrance as full-time students, they must satisfy the requirement within the three quarters of their freshman year.

UC Riverside strongly urges students to fulfill the ELWR in UCR’s summer school, before starting classes in the fall.

By doing so, students can begin their first quarter enrolled in the required English Composition sequence (ENGL 001ABC), thus taking a step toward finishing their undergraduate degrees within four years.

If you are not sure about your ELWR status, check your MyUCR page at my.ucr.edu

“Writing, the art of communicating thoughts to the mind through the eye, is the great invention of the world . . . enabling us to converse with the dead, the absent, and the unborn, at all distances of time and space.”

–Abraham Lincoln

To enroll in English 4E & 4DE, your first step is to visit the Summer Session website at summer.ucr.edu