

UK 101-008: ACADEMIC ORIENTATION SYLLABUS, FALL 2012

Class Time: MW 12-12:50 PM

Class Location: 231 Student Center Addition (above the UK Bookstore)

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Course Description

This course is designed to assist undergraduates in adjusting to the academic life of the University. Through lectures, discussions, exercises, and out-of-class assignments, UK 101 helps students reach the student learning outcomes listed in this syllabus.

Required Materials

Common Reading book, *The Unforgiving Minute* by Craig M. Mullaney

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

1. Articulate the purpose and nature of a college education at a research university.
2. Convey the University of Kentucky's general education student learning outcomes.
3. Demonstrate skills for achieving academic success such as study strategies and information literacy.
4. Locate and use designated campus resources.
5. Reflect on personal and social issues (e.g., alcohol, diversity, stress) that first-year students often face in a college environment.
6. Attend and reflect upon three campus activities (one campus event, one cultural event, one lecture).
7. Learn the value of forming relationships with other students, faculty, and staff.

Course Requirements

1. Class participation is critical to the success of students, and it adds to the success of the course. Participation includes attending and being prepared for class, involving yourself in class discussions and activities, assuming responsibility for your own learning, and contributing to the learning of others.
2. Complete and submit, as directed (electronically or hard copy), all assignments by designated dates and times.

Grading Criteria and Assignments

Grades for UK 101 will be assigned based upon the assignment points and attendance points.

<u>Assignments</u>	<u>Points Possible</u>
Common Reading Experience 3-Page Paper	100
Self-Portrait Oral Presentation	25
Professor Interview	25
Reworked Notes (from all of your classes)	35
5 Library Tutorials and Quizzes	25
Calendar/datebook exam & assignment dates	30
APEX Online Tutorial and Quiz	20
Cultural Event Attendance	20
Lecture Attendance	20
Student Organization or Club Meeting/Event Attendance	20
Mid-term Grade Assignment	20
Academic Advisor Information	20
Reflection Entry – How Is It Going?	20
Reflection Entry – About Me	<u>20</u>
TOTAL	400

Attendance Points

Attendance will be tracked by an attendance question asked during each class session. Points will be awarded or deducted according to the following point scale:

-If you answer the question correctly, you will receive +1 bonus point.

-If you answer the question incorrectly, you will not be penalized.

-If you are absent, without an excused absence, your overall point total will be deducted by 10 points.

Late Assignments

Assignments turned in late, without an excused absence, will receive a maximum of 50% credit.

Grading Scale

- A 90% and higher
- B 89 – 80%
- C 79 – 70%
- D 69 – 60%
- E 59% and below

Mid-term Grade

Mid-term grades will be posted in myUK by the deadline established in the Academic Calendar (<http://www.uky.edu/Registrar/AcademicCalendar.htm>)

Final Exam

There is not a final exam.

Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend **ALL** class sessions unless their absence is excused. Attending class is an important part of succeeding in any course, especially a discussion-based course like UK 101.

Excused Absences

Students need to notify the professor of absences prior to class when possible. S.R. 5.2.4.2 defines the following as acceptable reasons for excused absences: (a) serious illness, (b) illness or death of family member, (c) University-related trips, (d) major religious holidays, and (e) other circumstances found by the professor to fit “reasonable cause for nonattendance.” Students anticipating an absence for a major religious holiday are responsible for notifying the instructor in writing of anticipated absences due to their observance of such holidays no later than the last day in the semester to add a class. Information regarding dates of major religious holidays may be obtained through the religious liaison, Mr. Jake Karnes (859-257-2754).

Students are expected to withdraw from the class if more than 20% of the classes scheduled for the semester are missed (excused or unexcused) per University policy.

Verification of Absences

Students may be asked to verify their absences in order for them to be considered excused. Senate Rule 5.2.4.2 states that faculty have the right to request “appropriate verification” when students claim an excused absence because of illness or death in the family. Appropriate notification of absences due to University-related trips is required prior to the absence.

Academic Integrity

Per University policy, students shall not plagiarize, cheat, or falsify or misuse academic records. Students are expected to adhere to University policy on cheating and plagiarism in all courses. The minimum penalty for a first offense is a zero on the assignment on which the offense occurred. If the offense is considered severe or the student has other academic offenses on his or her record, more serious penalties, up to suspension from the University, may be imposed.

Plagiarism and cheating are serious breaches of academic conduct. Each student is advised to become familiar with the various forms of academic dishonesty as explained in the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities. Complete information can be found at the following website: <http://www.uky.edu/Ombud>. A plea of ignorance is not acceptable as a defense against the charge of academic dishonesty. It is important that you review this information as all ideas borrowed from others need to be properly credited.

Part II of *Student Rights and Responsibilities*

(<http://www.uky.edu/StudentAffairs/Code/part2.html>) states that all academic work, written or otherwise, submitted by students to their instructors or other academic supervisors, is expected to be the result of their own thought, research, or self-expression. In cases where students feel unsure about the question of plagiarism involving their own work, they are obliged to consult their instructors on the matter before submission.

When students submit work purporting to be their own, but which in any way borrows ideas, organization, wording or anything else from another source without appropriate acknowledgement of the fact, the students are guilty of plagiarism. Plagiarism includes

reproducing someone else's work, whether it be a published article, chapter of a book, a paper from a friend or some file, or something similar to this. Plagiarism also includes the practice of employing or allowing another person to alter or revise the work which a student submits as his/her own, whoever that other person may be.

Students may discuss assignments among themselves or with an instructor or tutor, but when the actual work is done, it must be done by the student, and the student alone. When a student's assignment involves research in outside sources of information, the student must carefully acknowledge exactly what, where and how he/she employed them. If the words of someone else are used, the student must put quotation marks around the passage in question and add an appropriate indication of its origin. Making simple changes while leaving the organization, content and phraseology intact is plagiaristic. However, nothing in these Rules shall apply to those ideas which are so generally and freely circulated as to be a part of the public domain (Section 6.3.1).

Please note: Any assignment you turn in may be submitted to an electronic database to check for plagiarism.

Accommodations Due to Disability

If you have a documented disability that requires academic accommodations, please see me as soon as possible during scheduled office hours. In order to receive accommodations in this course, you must provide me with a Letter of Accommodation from the Disability Resource Center (Room 2, Alumni Gym, 257-2754, email address: jkarnes@email.uky.edu) for coordination of campus disability services available to students with disabilities.

Schedule of Classes

Wednesday, August 22: First Class/History of UK/Introduction to UK 101 Syllabus and Goals & Academic Expectations/Purpose of General Education (UKCore)

Monday, August 27: Library Tour (including the Hub and Writing Center)

Class meets in the W. T. Young Library lobby

Wednesday, August 29: Campus Recreation: Johnson Center, Seaton Center, Lancaster Aquatic Center, Outdoor Pursuits and Intramurals

Class meets in the Johnson Center lobby

(A brief tour of the Study in the Commons may be included)

Monday, September 3: Academic Holiday

Wednesday, September 5: Professors and Class Decorum/ Academic Integrity & Study Strategies - Goal Setting and Time Management

Monday, September 10: Active Reading, Reworking Class Notes, Exam Preparation, Study Groups, and This is Lexington *(A brief tour of the Mathskeller may be included)*

Wednesday, September 12: Suicide Prevention

(A brief tour of UK Counseling Center in Frazee Hall may be included)

Monday, September 17: Campus Safety

Wednesday, September 19: Ask The Dietitian – Healthy Eating and Exercise in College

Monday, September 24: Getting Involved on Campus

Wednesday, September 26: Tour of University Health Service (UHS) and Student Employment Office

Monday, October 1: Substance Education (Alcohol, Other Drugs, Tobacco)

Wednesday, October 3: Bystander Intervention

(A brief tour of the V.I.P Center may be included)

Monday, October 8: Education Abroad and Undergraduate Research

Wednesday, October 10: Stress Management

Monday, October 15: Career & Resume and Self-portrait Presentation

Wednesday, October 17: Bridging the Gap from Student to Alumni

(Brief tours of UK Career Center, SCFA, and the Art Museum may be included)

Monday, October 22: Academic Advising

Wednesday, October 24: Common Reading

Monday, October 29: Culture and Diversity: Meeting UK ESL Students

Wednesday, October 31: Money Management and Credit Card

Monday, November 5: Your College Experience: Pulling It All Together, Campus Resources, and Scholarship Information (Including Applying for Nationally Competitive Awards & Chellgren Student Fellows Program)

Assignments and Due Dates

Due: Mon., 8/27. Minimum: ½ page

Reflection Entry – About Me

This assignment will allow us to get to know you a little better. Tell us about yourself. Include the following information: your hometown and family background, your interests and hobbies, your possible major, why you decided to attend UK, what do you expect to accomplish in your first year, your birthday, and anything else you would like to share. Submit in class or email

albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 9/5

Library Assignment: Information Literacy 101

Complete the five online library tutorials/steps and quizzes found at <http://libguides.uky.edu/infolit101>
Turn in the quizzes in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Mon., 9/10

Calendar/Planner

Transfer all of your exam dates and major assignments (e.g. papers) due dates into some type of an academic calendar or planner. Bring the calendar/planner to class and show it to the instructor.

Due: Wed., 9/12

Reworked Textbook Reading/Notes

Bring in and show us a reworked reading and notes in one of your textbooks.

Due: Mon., 9/17. Minimum: ½ page

Reflection Entry – How Is It Going?

Please write a reflection on your UK experience thus far.

1. Looking back over the past few weeks, how has your experience at UK fit with your expectations of college?
2. What has been your biggest adjustment?
3. What have been some of the difficulties?
4. What has been your favorite part of attending UK thus far?
5. Are there any questions or concerns we can help you address at this time?

Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 9/26

Academic Advisor Information

Please obtain the following information:

Your academic advisor's name

Your advisor's phone number

Your advisor's office location/number

Your advisor's email address

If you do not know your advisor's name and contact information, you will need to find out in order to complete this assignment. You should be able to find your advisor's name on [myUK](#). You can then use the campus directory (under "Search" on the [UK homepage](#)) to find your advisor's contact information. If your myUK does not list your advisor, contact the central advising office, student affairs office, and/or dean's office (look on website) in the college in which you are enrolled to find out who your advisor is. Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 10/3. Minimum: ½ page

Professor Interview

Interview one of your professors **in person** (not through e-mail) during office hours and write about the experience. Include the following information in your reflection: professor's name, title, and the course you are taking with him/her. You'll want to develop some interview questions of your own to fill a conversation (don't rush in, ask a few questions, and leave), but some of the questions that you may also want to ask are:

1. Where did you attend school for your undergraduate and graduate work?
2. How long have you been a professor at UK?

3. What is your area of academic expertise?
4. How many classes do you teach each year?
5. What is your favorite class to teach?
6. Other than the time you spend in the classroom, what do you do as a professor?
7. What kind of music do you like?
8. What hobbies or activities do you enjoy?
9. What one piece of advice would you give to a first-year student?

Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Mon., 10/15

Self-portrait oral presentation

Create a mask representing yourself. Remember to include ethnic background and educational goals. Then present it briefly in class. Submit in class.

Due: Mon., 10/22

APEX Online Tutorial and Quiz

Complete the "Getting Started" APEX tutorial. Visit [myUK](#), login with your linkblue ID and password, and click on Student Services, then Degree Planner (APEX) tab. Students then complete, print, and turn in the APEX quiz found at www.uky.edu/UK101 under student resources tab. Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 10/24

Mid-term Grades Assignment

The University of Kentucky provides mid-term grades for all undergraduate courses to gauge your progress in courses at the midpoint of the semester. This is the time to gauge your status in each course and determine what you need to do the remainder of the semester in order to be successful. Visit [myUK](#) and list your midterm grades. Then, using the [GPA calculator](#), calculate your mid-term GPA. Include your GPA in your submission. If you find that you have not received a mid-term grade for a course, you are expected to talk with your professor/instructor to obtain one. It is appropriate to ask for this information in person. Plan to meet with your professor/instructor before or after class, or during his/her office hours. Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 10/31

Student Organization/Club Meeting

You are required to attend one student organization/club meeting during UK101. A list of UK student organization can be found on the Student Involvement [website](#). There you can find the contact information for each organization so that you can find out when meetings are. You can also schedule an appointment with a member of the Peer Resource Team (PRT) in the CSI (106 Student Center) to learn more about student organizations of interest to you.

To earn credit, you must submit a reflection entry. Include the following information: name of the organization, date, meeting location, and a brief overview of the meeting. Also, indicate why you chose the organization, how you felt about it, and whether or not you will attend the organizations meetings in the future (why or why not?). Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 10/31

Campus Lecture

You are required to attend one campus lecture during UK101. An example list of options will be available on the [UK101 website](#) under Student Resources. Click on Announcements/Upcoming Events. Announcements of such events will also be shared by the Peer Instructor at the beginning of each class session, and descriptions will be posted as Blackboard announcements as well. Approval of what qualifies as a campus lecture lies with the Instructor, so if you are unsure if an event qualifies please ask before submitting your assignment.

To earn credit, you must submit a reflection entry. Include the following information: name of the event, date, location, and a brief overview of the event. Also, indicate why you chose the event, how you felt about it, and whether or not you will attend a similar event in the future (why or why not?). Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Wed., 10/31

Campus Cultural Event

You are required to attend one campus cultural event during UK101. Cultural events can range from visiting an art museum, attending a musical or theatrical performance, attending a lecture on a cultural topic, or participating in an event that promotes diversity and inclusion at UK. An example list of options will be available on the [UK101 website](#) under Student Resources. Click on Announcements/Upcoming Events. Announcements of such events will also be shared by the Peer Instructor at the beginning of each class session. Approval of what qualifies as a campus cultural event lies with the Instructor, so if you are unsure if an event qualifies please ask before submitting your assignment.

To earn credit, you must submit a reflection entry. Include the following information: name of the event, date, location, and a brief overview of the event. Also, indicate why you chose the event, how you felt about it, and whether or not you will attend a similar event in the future (why or why not?) Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

Due: Mon., 11/5. Minimum: Three pages

Common Reading Paper

Write a three-page paper (minimum 750 words, Arial or Times New Roman 12-point font, double spaced) on any topics or your reflections based on the CRE book *The Unforgiving Minute*. Submit in class or email albertkalim@uky.edu

CAMPUS RESOURCES AND SERVICES

- The Study** 3rd floor of Commons www.uky.edu/AE
Provides free tutoring and other services; tutoring schedule on website.
- The Hub** Basement of Young Library www.uky.edu/Libraries/Hub
Comfortable place to study; helpful reference librarians; technology support; computer labs; vending food.
- Writing Center** 5th floor of Young Library www.uky.edu/AS/English/wc/
Receive free writing help; make appointments online or call 257-1368.
- Mathskeller** 63 Classroom Building www.mathskeller.com/
(Basement)
Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday. Offers free tutoring and help with 100-level math classes.
- Chemistry Help Center** 25 Chemistry-Physics
(Basement)
Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday, and 8 a. m. to 4 p.m. Friday; receive help from Chemistry graduate students.
- Financial Ombud Services** 18 Funkhouser
Resolves financial problems; contact Mary Marcum, Financial Ombud, at 257-3406 x 262 or mmarcum@uky.edu.
- University Health Service** 830 South Limestone www.ukhealthcare.uky.edu/uhs
When you are sick, this is the place to go. To make an appointment, call 323-2778.
- Counseling Center** 201 Frazee Hall www.uky.edu/StudentAffairs/Counseling
Provides academic, personal, and career counseling; free and confidential; call 257-8701 to schedule an appointment. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.
- King Cultural Center** 133 Student Center www.uky.edu/MLKCC
Serves campus by exposing students, faculty, and staff to cultural, educational, and social activities.
- Undergraduate Research** 211 Funkhouser www.uky.edu/UGResearch
Connects students to undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative opportunities; call 257-6322 for information.
- Student Employment Office** 103 Scovell Hall www.uky.edu/HR/studentjobs
Helps students find jobs on and off campus; visit website to get started.
- Academic Scholarships** www.uky.edu/AcademicScholarships
Information and applications for University and departmental scholarships available on this site.
- Campus Calendar** www.uky.edu/CampusCalendar
Visit this website to find out about everything happening across campus.

“Multiple Final Exams”

Information

www.uky.edu/Faculty/Senate/rules_regulations/

University Senate Rule 5.2.4.7. “Any student with more than two final examinations scheduled on any one date shall be entitled to have the examination for the class with the highest catalog number rescheduled at another time during the final examination period. In case this highest number is shared by more than one course, the one whose departmental prefix is first alphabetically will be rescheduled. The option to reschedule must be exercised in writing to the appropriate Instructor of Record or his/her designee two weeks prior to the last class meeting.”

National Student Exchange Program

109 Miller Hall

<http://www.uky.edu/US/nse.html>

Attend one of nearly 170 colleges and universities around the USA and pay only UK tuition; call 257-3044 to learn more.

SAFECATS and After-Hours On-Demand Bus Service

www.uky.edu/Police/escort.html

SAFECATS provides free safety escort service on campus from 8:30 p.m.–1:30 a.m. Sun – Thurs.; after-hours on-demand bus service provides on call bus services at varying hours Sunday-Thursday. Call 257-SAFE (7233) for both services.

VIP Center

1 Frazee Hall

www.uky.edu/StudentAffairs/VIPCenter/

Works with the campus to help fight acts of sexual assault, partner violence, and stalking. Home of the Green Dot.

Stuckert Career Center

408 Rose Street

www.uky.edu/CareerCenter/

Receive help with career exploration, resumes, internships, and job search.

APEX Degree Audit

104 McVey Hall

www.uky.edu/degreeaudit/

Online tool where students can evaluate their progress toward degree attainment; allows you to explore different majors.

Academic Ombud

109 Bradley Hall

www.uky.edu/Ombud/

Helps students work through and resolve academic problems and conflicts; stop by, call 257-3737, or email Ombud@uky.edu with questions.

Education Abroad

310 Bradley Hall

www.uky.edu/educationabroad

There are hundreds of programs to match every academic interest and budget; make an appointment, and they'll tell you everything you need to know.

OUTsource

125 Student Center

The gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, and ally resource center. Email: outsourceuky@gmail.com
Phone: 323-3312.

Campus Recreation

Johnson Center

www.uky.edu/StudentAffairs/CampusRec/

Offers numerous workout opportunities; coordinates intramural competitions; offers over 40 group fitness classes. Need Student ID to enter.

