

Department of English  
ENGL 7536 Issues in ESL Writing  
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**Catalog Description:** Emphasis on research in second language writing, especially the role of psychological, social, and cultural influences on learning to write in a second language.

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Issues in ESL Writing will survey research in teaching second language writing, examine common classroom practices, and look at the role of psychological, social, and cultural factors in teaching and learning writing. Topics include the relationship between reading and writing, individual learner differences, the influence of different native languages, an overview of composing processes, and effective methods of error correction.

Students will complete weekly assignments that include responding to readings, finding, reading and summarizing additional readings related to specific topics of interest, and analyzing and responding to sample student papers. Students will also participate on a discussion board. Major assignments include an annotated biography, a sample lesson plan, and a final exam.

**Texts:**

Ferris, Dana R. Teaching L2 Composition. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed. Routledge ISBN: 978-0-415-89472-2

Ferris, Dana. Treatment of Error in Second Language Student Writing. U. of Mich Press, 2002. ISBN: 0-47208-8165