WRITING SAMPLE

Directions: As part of the academic advisement process, we would like you to write a short essay. An English professor will be evaluating your essay in order to place you in the appropriate English course. *It is important that the essay represent your best effort in terms of spelling, sentence structure, and overall ability to express yourself.*

Please choose **ONE** of the following topics and type or hand-write an essay of about 400 - 500 words.

1.) Propose a solution to one of the biggest problems currently facing our society.

2.) If you could suddenly acquire a talent, skill or super power, what would it be and what would you do with it?

3.) What are you hoping for as an ideal career and what made you choose this field?

Reminders for essay writing

Your essay:

- should have a thesis or main idea; it’s best to restate the topic or question in your own words

- should have more than three paragraphs, and each paragraph should focus on one supporting point with examples and specific details

- should be logical [organized] and coherent [understandable]

- should be proofread for grammatical, mechanical and punctuation errors

- should have a conclusion that doesn’t simply repeat the opening