EXPOSITORY WRITING (EXP)

EXP 101 Expository Writing I: Critical Thinking and Writing (3 credits)
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EXP 101L Expository Writing I: Critical Thinking and Writing with Lab (3 credits)
Designed for native speakers of English who can benefit from an intensive writing lab. The lab courses represent a significant investment by Bentley in the academic and professional success of our students. They are designed like science lab courses, providing additional time each week to work on lessons and engage in writing workshops. The lab approach achieves the goals of the course without imposing the burden of a non-credit preliminary course (required by many other colleges). Students are placed on the basis of the placement essays, which are read by a committee of professors who teach expository writing. The essays are evaluated according to carefully developed criteria that have proven to identify the amount of writing instruction students need to read and write at a level acceptable at Bentley.

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EXP 102 Expository Writing I: Critical Thinking and Writing (3 credits)
English as a Second Language Speakers only. Students whose first language is not English may be interested in taking a class with other such students. Taught by trained TESOL (teaching English to speakers of other languages) faculty, these classes fulfill the same credits and are just as rigorous as their EXP 101 and EXP 101L counterparts. Readings and in-class exercises, however, are designed to help advance the reading and writing abilities of those students still learning English. Students are placed on the basis of the placement essays, which are read by a committee of professors who teach expository writing. The essays are evaluated according to carefully developed criteria that have proven to identify the amount of writing instruction students need to read and write at a level acceptable at Bentley.

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EXP 102L Expository Writing I: Critical Thinking and Writing with Lab (3 credits)
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EXP 201 Expository Writing II: Advanced Inquiry in Writing  (3 credits)
Pre-Req: EXP 101 or (EXP 101L and director permission). Designed for students who are native speakers of English.
Expository Writing II reinforces and advances the lessons of Expository Writing I, leading students toward understanding and mastery of the processes involved in sustained inquiry. Undertaking an ambitious intellectual project that culminates in a final paper, students work to develop substantial research questions, improve information literacy skills, and conduct research where they explore a topic and create a complex argument. While working to develop their reading, writing, and critical thinking abilities for their other Bentley classes and their lives beyond college, students consider multiple genres and audiences for their writing. Students are expected to complete Expository Writing II by the end of their sophomore year.

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EXP 202 Expository Writing II: Advanced Inquiry in Writing  (3 credits)
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