#### **ACLT 102**

# **Academic Literacy - Vocabulary**

2 Credits

Community College of Baltimore County Common Course Outline

#### **Description**

**ACLT 102 – Academic Literacy, Vocabulary:** This course is provided as an independent study. Students will improve their vocabulary skills utilizing a college vocabulary textbook. Students will determine word meanings from the vocabulary of many different content areas with a focus on literary and academic terms.

Pre-requisites: None

## **Overall Course Objectives**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Use a dictionary to understand pronunciation, etymology, and correct word meaning;
- Use the definitions of Latin and Greek prefixes, suffixes and roots to analyze new words:
- 3. Apply context clues to determine the definitions of unknown words;
- 4. Recognize and understand figurative language;
- 5. Distinguish between commonly confused words such as homonyms and homographs;
- 6. Develop an expanded knowledge of specialized terms from a variety of academic disciplines; and
- 7. Recognize by sight and by sound the vowel and consonant patterns of English;

# **Major Topics**

- I. Dictionary Skill
- II. Latin and Greek Derivatives
- III. Context Clues
- IV. Commonly Confused Words
- V. Terminology from Academic Disciplines

### **Course Requirements**

Independent completion of work and exercises for assigned modules and successful completion of vocabulary discussion boards and mastery tests. All requirements must be completed by the last week of the semester.

Grading will be determined by the individual faculty member.

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The Common Course Outline (CCO) determines the essential nature of each course. For more information, see your professor's syllabus.