

**Regents' Test Preparation
RGTR 0198 – Fall 2009**

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Office Hours:

Tuesday, 3:30– 4:30PM
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• All meetings will be held in 205 Milledge Hall.

You MUST purchase the RGTR 0198, Field – BEL-JEAN packet
163 E. Broad Street in Downtown Athens - #706-548-3648

Supplies: Schedule Book/Daily Planner, No. 2 Pencils, Portable Dictionary, and notebook with pockets. *Bring BEL-JEAN & No. 2 pencils to every class.*

Course Objectives:

To improve your reading comprehension and test taking skills
To increase your vocabulary
To learn how to synthesize, analyze, and evaluate printed material
To evaluate the importance of creativity and right-brain thinking

Course Outcomes:

Using context clues to identify the correct meaning of the words
Identifying the correct supporting details in a passage
Recognizing the main idea of a passage
Choosing inferences made by the author
Identifying the author's purpose in writing the passage
Identifying the author' tone/mood/attitude

GRADING

RGTR 0198 is a two-credit, pass/fail course. The class meets for 10 weeks, which translates into 3 hours of class each week. Two hours will be in the classroom and the 3rd hour of class will be “lab hours” using the My Reading Lab course. Meeting the attendance requirements and completing all course assignments enables you to take the Reading portion of the Regents' Test. Failure to pass the course means that not only will you be denied admittance to the Reading portion of the Regents' Test in the current semester, but also that you will automatically be enrolled in RGTR 0198 in subsequent semesters until the course is passed. Passing RGTR 0198 is contingent upon successfully passing the Regents' Reading Test.

CLASS ATTENDANCE

Regular class attendance is important because daily class will provide opportunities to practice new skills. All absences count the same regardless of the reason: there is no such thing as an "excused absence." Only one absence is allowed. Students with 3 (three) absences will be automatically dropped from the course and will receive a U. Three "lates" equal one absence. Students who arrive more than 15 minutes after the start of class will be counted as absent for that day. **Please come to class on time.**

READINESS

Please bring your BEL-JEAN, schedule book, dictionary, No. 2 pencils, and other necessary materials to class every day.

UNIVERSITY HONOR CODE

All academic work must meet the standards contained in "A Culture of Honesty." Students are responsible for informing themselves about those standards before performing any academic work. All students are responsible for maintaining the highest standards of honesty and integrity in every phase of their academic careers. The penalties for academic dishonesty are severe and ignorance is not an acceptable defense. "Academic Honesty" means performing all academic work without plagiarism, cheating, lying, tampering, stealing, receiving unauthorized or illegitimate assistance from another person, or using any source of information that is not common knowledge. "Academic Dishonesty" means knowingly performing, attempting to perform, or assisting any other person in performing any academic work that does not meet this standard of academic honesty. Assistance by another, when authorized by the faculty member, will not be considered academically dishonest, nor will using information that is fairly attributed to the source. If you have any questions about what is considered academic dishonesty, please read the information at <http://www.uga.edu/honesty> so you understand how the term "academic dishonesty" is interpreted on this campus.

TEST AVAILABILITY

The Regents' Test is administered system-wide one testing period only each semester (Fall, Spring, and Summer).

Fall Registration Period is June 15, 2009 to October 16, 2009.

Fall 2009 Regents Reading Test dates:

October 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, and 28, 2009

You must register through OASIS and print your ticket before the registration deadline!

Important Registration Information:

This test is given by appointment only.

Students must register each semester for the Regents' Test on OASIS.

RGTR students **MUST** have their Regents' test ticket embossed.

UGA's testing services webpage: <http://testing.uga.edu>

University Testing Services may also be contacted at **#706-542-3183.**

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE

Assignments are **DUE** on the day they appear on the syllabus. All Practice tests will be administered in class – MLC 150.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topics and Practice Test Dates</u>	<u>Assignments</u>
8/18	Overview	
8/20	RGTR 0198 – Exemption test Administered in class (78% or higher)	400 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
8/25	Review test results <i>The Perils of Higher Education</i>	
8/27	Introductions, Components & Creativity	500 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
9/1	Reading Comprehension Pre-Test	
9/3	•Vocabulary	600 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
9/8	Practice Test 1	DUE: Register for Regents Test •Bring OASIS sheet to class!
9/10	• Literal Comprehension	700 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
9/15	Short Practice Test 2	
9/17	• Inferential Comprehension • <i>Bring FOREVER stamp & envelope</i>	800 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
9/22	Practice Test 3	
9/24	<i>Individual Conferences – Milledge Hall 205</i>	NO CLASS in MLC 150
9/29	<i>Individual Conferences – Milledge Hall 205</i>	NO CLASS in MLC 150
10/1	• Analysis	900 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
10/6	Short Practice Test 4	
10/8	• Write THE letter ... & Course Evaluations ** Return Embossed Exam Tickets**	1000 grains – www.freerice.com E-mail to rgtr0198@yahoo.com
10/13	Practice Test 5	
10/15	Final Review for Regents Reading Test	LAST DAY OF CLASS