SHERIDAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND ADVANCED LEARNING
LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENT TIME – 75 MINUTES

Write a formal essay of approximately 300 words on ONE of the topics given below. Your writing will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- organization of the essay in well structured paragraphs
- appropriate and clear expression of ideas
- accuracy and variety in sentence structures
- accuracy in use of grammar, punctuation and mechanics

Please circle the topic of your choice.
A dictionary is available if you need one.
Please use a pen.

This language assessment will determine whether you begin your study at the Essential or Basic level of the Communication Skills course.

I understand the importance of this essay for my Communications placement at Sheridan.

Signature

Date

1. Some people go right on to college after high school; others take a year or more off to work or travel. Which do you think is the better choice? State your position and support it with specific reasons and examples.

2. Technology is replacing many jobs today. Identify a job that is unlikely to be replaced by technology. Write an essay to explain why a person would be needed to perform the job.

Please open this booklet and begin your essay.
OUTLINE
(recommended but not evaluated)

FINAL DRAFT

I think taking off a year or more after completing high school is a better choice because it gives the person more time to think about what they are interested in taking in school. A lot of people rush in college or university and end up not being so interested in the program that they have chosen, because they may have rushed into it quickly, getting pressured from there families or just coming to realize the program is just not for them. Taking a year off or more in my opinion leads
leads to more success. It gives time to think about what a person may want to do for the rest of their life in the workplace. There would be no rush which a lot of the time leads to a lot of money loss. Some people decide to take some time off so that they are able to save some money so they can work and go off to school. Not many people know how beneficial it is to take time off. School is an expensive investment to make and taking a year off gives everyone that chooses to do so time to think of it all. When some people become not interested in their program and decide to drop out halfway through the semester all the money that they put towards it, they don't get any of it back, and then some people realize that they should have taken that time off so they are able to think about what path is a better choice for them. Therefore I believe taking a year or more after finishing high school because it leads to better things, it gives everyone time to think about what
they would like to do in the near future. Overall, taking a year off is a better choice.