ESL 371 Course Outline as of Fall 2016

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: ESL 371 Title: INTERMEDIATE

Full Title: Intermediate Reading/Writing/Grammar for ESL Students

Last Reviewed: 5/9/2022

Units		Course Hours per Week]	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	9.00	Lecture Scheduled	9.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	157.50
Minimum	9.00	Lab Scheduled	0	17.5	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	9.00		Contact Total	157.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 315.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 472.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Non-Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

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Recommended Preparation:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

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

Reading:

- 1. Employ level-appropriate critical reading skills
- 2. Distinguish main ideas from supporting details or examples in intermediate reading passages
- 3. Summarize paragraph-length selections of fiction and nonfiction
- 4. Use contextual clues, high-frequency affixes and roots, and the dictionary to determine the meaning, pronunciation, and connotation of new vocabulary
- 5. Analyze works of fiction
- 6. Read with increased speed and comprehension

Writing:

- 1. Employ a multi-draft writing process to produce paragraphs and essays with an introduction, a thesis statement, supporting sentences/paragraphs, and an appropriate conclusion
- 2. Recognize and produce different genres of academic writing, such as descriptive/narrative, expository, and argumentative modes
- 3. Utilize level-appropriate critical thinking skills in developing and supporting a topic sentence or thesis
- 4. Complete in-class, timed paragraphs in response to an intermediate reading passage
- 5. Edit papers for targeted grammatical structures
- 6. Integrate academic vocabulary into paragraphs and essays
- 7. Demonstrate sentence variety in writing: simple, compound, and complex sentences

(adjective clauses)

- 8. Exhibit control of sentence boundaries
- 9 Employ level-appropriate control of punctuation, spelling and verb tenses

Information Competency and Research:

- 1. Access information on the Internet
- 2. Use the computer effectively as a writing, research, and language development tool
- 3. Use an online thesaurus and dictionary
- 4. Understand and avoid plagiarism

Metacognitive skills:

- 1. Demonstrate awareness of thinking processes while reading and writing
- 2. Take responsibility for their own learning

Topics and Scope:

ESL 371 instructional time focuses on these areas equally: reading, writing, and explicit grammar instruction.

I. Reading

- A. Nonfiction Reading
 - 1. Pre-reading skills to survey, predict, skim and scan
 - 2. Identification of main ideas and supporting details
 - 3. Analysis of organizational patterns and rhetorical forms
 - 4. Recognition of transition words and phrases
 - 5. Differences between fact and opinion
 - 6. Inferencing skills
 - 7. Annotating, note taking, and summarizing

B. Fiction Reading

- 1. Pre-reading skills to predict plot and theme
- 2. Critical reading of level-appropriate short stories (for elements such as point of view, setting, protagonist, antagonist, conflict, plot, climax, theme, symbolism)
 - 3. Analysis of sensory and figurative language such as simile and metaphor
 - 4. Inferencing skills to determine author's meaning

C. Critical Analysis

- 1. Summarizing, synthesizing, comparing, and contrasting information from one or more sources
 - 2. Identifying and responding to different perspectives on selected issues
- D. Academic Vocabulary Study
 - 1. Inference of meaning through contextual clues
 - 2. Use of a dictionary to determine meaning, usage, and pronunciation
 - 3. Recognition of high frequency roots and affixes to determine correct word forms
 - 4. Explicit study of targeted academic vocabulary

II. Writing

- A. Pre-writing
 - 1. Brainstorming
 - 2. Journal writing
 - 3. Clustering
 - 4. Outlining
- B. Drafting
 - 1. Thesis statement

- 2. Topic sentences
- 3. Body paragraphs
- 4. Conclusion
- 5. MLA style formatting (heading, page numbers, title, etc.)
- C. Revision of paragraphs and essays for coherence, critical thinking, development, and academic vocabulary
- D. Strategies for timed writing
- E. Grammar (taught in the context of writing)
 - 1. Review of past tenses
 - 2. Present perfect and present perfect progressive tenses
 - 3. Past perfect and past perfect progressive tenses
 - 4. Passive voice, including participial adjectives
 - 5. Gerunds and infinitives
 - 6. Past modals
 - 7. Adjective clauses
 - 8. Recognition and correction of run-ons, fragments and comma splices
 - 9. Simple, compound, and complex sentences
 - 10. Editing and proofreading of paragraphs and essays for grammatical problems
 - a. Subject-verb agreement
 - b. Verbs, including perfect tenses and passive voice
- c. Punctuation: capitalization, quotation marks, apostrophes, commas, semicolons, and colons
 - d. Word form and usage
 - e. Parallel structure
- III. Information Competency and Research
- A. Use of the Internet to find information
- B. The computer as a writing, editing, and language development tool
- C. Online language development resources
- D. Thesaurus and online dictionary
- E. Use of online tools such as Turnitin to increase awareness of plagiarism
- IV. Metacognitive Skills
- A. Strategies to keep track of thinking processes while reading and writing (i.e., "metacognitive bookmark")
- B. Techniques to encourage students to take responsibility for their own learning (i.e., double and/or triple entry journals, "metacognitive reading log template")

Assignment:

The following represent the types of assignments that will be included and assessed:

Reading

Reading assignments of various lengths and complexity provide topics for analysis and discussion. Assignments will include the following:

- 1. Reading comprehension and vocabulary exercises (weekly)
- 2. Summarizing activities (4-6)
- 3. Discussing and analyzing readings (weekly)
- 4. Basic research using the Internet (4-6)
- 5. Exams and quizzes (2-3 exams, 4-6 quizzes)
- 6. Metacognitive reading logs, double/triple entry reading journals (weekly)

Writing

Written assignments will result in a minimum of 2,500 words. Assignments will include the following:

- 1. Journals, summaries, and responses to assigned readings
- 2. At least three multi-draft paragraphs of 200-250 words (About ¾ to 1 page)
- 3. At least two multi-draft expository/argumentative essays (350-word minimum)
- 4. Vocabulary, writing, and grammar exercises, including technology-enhanced activities
- 5. At least two in-class paragraph exams
- 6. Common assessment portfolio

Additional activities and assignments may include the following:

- 1. Oral presentations
- 2. Participation in peer editing sessions to explore and refine the process of drafting, revision, and proofreading
- 3. ESL 770 (tutorial) attendance

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, paragraphs, essays, journals, analysis of readings, and common assessment portfolio.

Writing 40 - 50%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Essay and paragraph revision, sentence combining, vocabulary, online exercises, and reading comprehension activities

Problem solving 15 - 25%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Multiple choice, true/false, matching items, completion, quizzes, and in-class paragraph exams.

Exams 30 - 40%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance, participation, collaboration, oral presentations, timed reading charts, tutorial hours (ESL 770).

Other Category 5 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Integrated Reading/Writing Texts:

Pathways 2: Reading, Writing, and Critical Thinking Student Book and Online Workbook, Blass, Laurie. Cengage Learning: 2013.

Q Skills for Success 3 Reading and Writing Student Book with access card to online practice, Ward, Colin. Oxford University Press: 2011.

Northstar 3: Reading & Writing 4th Edition Student Book with access code to MyEnglishLab, Barton, Laurie. Pearson: 2015.

Grammar Reference Texts:

Fundamentals of English Grammar 4th Edition Student Book with online student access, Azar, Betty. Pearson Longman: 2011.

Top 20: Great Grammar for Great Writing 2nd Edition, Folse, Keith. Cengage Learning: 2008 (classic).

Fiction Texts:

House on Mango Street, Cisneros, Sandra The Circuit, Jimenez, Francisco Parrot in the Oven: Mi Vida, Martinez, Victor A Jar of Dreams, Uchida, Yoshiko

Instructor prepared materials