ESL 724 Course Outline as of Spring 2022

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: ESL 724 Title: VOCATIONAL ESL Full Title: Vocational English for Speakers of Other Languages

Last Reviewed: 1/27/2025

Units		Course Hours per Weel	k N	lbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	0	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	0	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: Non-Credit

Grading: Non-Credit Course

Repeatability: 27 - Exempt From Repeat Provisions

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

Provides English language development and cultural preparation of intermediate and advanced level non-native speakers for employment. Multi-level instruction includes group activities in listening, speaking, reading and writing for the workplace. Enrollment is open throughout the semester on a space available basis.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Course Completion of EMLS 714 (or ESL 714)

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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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

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate oral and written language use necessary to communicate appropriately in the world of work.
- 2. Demonstrate appropriate cultural behaviors required to interact and function in a work environment.
- 3. Utilize job-seeking skills effectively.
- 4. Use community resources and demonstrate familiarity with internet skills pertaining to job search, job training and workers' rights.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Identify and communicate vocational information and goals pertaining to past, present, and future employment, verbally and in writing.
- 2. Read and fill out applications and forms related to the workplace.
- 3. Search for, identify, and follow up employment opportunities in person and by phone.
- 4. Communicate verbally with supervisors and co-workers regarding job duties, work instructions and safety procedures.
- 5. Understand and follow protocol to report or resolve safety issues verbally and in writing.
- 6. Know workers' rights, including wages, safety and breaks.
- 7. Refer to community resources pertaining to vocational training, goals, opportunities and problems.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Listening and Speaking Skills:
 - A. Use culturally appropriate greetings, polite expressions, and registers of speech with managers, co-workers, customers, and personnel
 - B. Ask for assistance, clarification, or information related to the job search by telephone or in

- person
- C. Describe vocational and academic history, transferable skills, worker traits, and goals in a job interview
- D. Communicate with supervisors about absences, tardiness, work expectations, progress evaluations, promotions and safety issues
- E. Comprehend and respond to directions and commands, asking for clarification and/or checking for understanding in person or by phone
- F. Express opinions or grievances, communicating conflicts, negotiating a schedule, questioning or interrupting co-workers or supervisors, requesting clarification
- G. Explain workers' rights, including safety equipment, wages and breaks

II. Reading:

- A. Interpret signs and labels for directions, cautions, and warnings
- B. Read work schedules and time cards
- C. Comprehend written instructions, memos, procedures, or checklists at work
- D. Read job applications and resumes
- E. Comprehend evaluations at work
- F. Understand job search resources in the community and on-line, including classified ads, networking, job boards, employment agencies, etc.
- G. Read narratives and personal stories about work experiences and job search III. Writing:
 - A. Fill out paperwork related to job search, including online applications
 - B. Write about work (narratives, experiences, goals, etc)
 - C. Complete reports regarding work accidents, injuries or other problems including unsafe work conditions, harassment, or other situations/incidents

Assignment:

- 1. Objective exams (1-2) and quizzes (0-8)
- 2. Preparation of student portfolio (1)
- 3. Use of technology such as the Internet, ESL websites and software to improve reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, conversation and pronunciation skills related to the world of work (ungraded)
- 4. Self-study through DVD viewing and corresponding homework packets that support communication in English pertaining to work issues and job search (ungraded)

Writing assignments (7 - 15), such as:

- 1. Work narratives
- 2. Written summaries of vocational, educational, and personal skills
- 3. Personal responses to interview questions and a summary of work, academic, and personal skills
- 4. Paragraphs

Problem-Solving assignments (5 - 15), such as:

- 1. Sample employment applications
- 2. Grammar exercises
- 3. Vocabulary development

Skill Demonstration assignments (7 - 21), such as:

- 1. Role-plays
- 2. Oral descriptions from pictures
- 3. Presentations of group and individual projects
- 4. Surveys and interviews

- 5. Recorded conversations
- 6. Accessing information from community resources
- 7. Compiling past employment information
- 8. Dictations

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.

Writing Assignments

Writing 30 - 40%

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

Problem-solving Assignments

Problem solving 10 - 20%

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

Skill Demonstrations

Skill Demonstrations 10 - 20%

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

Multiple choice, true/false, matching items, completion, quizzes, exams

Exams 10 - 20%

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

Attendance, participation, student portfolio

Other Category 20 - 30%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Road to Work: Applying and Interviewing. Magy, Ronna. New Readers Press. 2017

Road to Work: Succeeding on the Job. Magy, Ronna. New Readers Press. 2017

Oxford Picture Dictionary Workplace Skills Builder. 2nd ed. Adelson-Goldstein, Jayme and Sharpiro, Norma and Fuchs, Marjorie. Oxford University Press. 2014 (classic)

Ventures: Transitions Level 5. Price, Donna and Savage, Lynn and Bitterlin, Gretchen. Cambridge University Press. 2010 (classic) Instructor prepared materials