

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

ESL G076 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Academic Reading for Multilingual Studies 1

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

This course is the first course of the ESL Academic Reading sequence for multilingual students who need proficiency in academic literacy. It focuses on developing basic reading skills essential for understanding academic texts. Students will learn strategies for identifying main ideas, understanding vocabulary in context, and making simple inferences.

The course also introduces students to basic text structures and features of academic writing across various disciplines. Emphasis is on building confidence and competence in reading short, simplified academic passages. Students will complete one book in English by the end of the course to apply their learning in a comprehensive reading experience. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. Not Transferable. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G077 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Academic Reading for Multilingual Students 2

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

This course is the second course of the ESL Academic Reading sequence for multilingual students who need proficiency in academic literacy.

Building on the skills developed in Level 1, it prepares students to tackle more complex and longer academic texts. The course emphasizes critical reading skills such as analyzing arguments, recognizing patterns of organization, and understanding nuanced vocabulary. Students will also practice making connections between texts and their own experiences and knowledge. Throughout the course, students will complete two books in English, allowing them to deepen their understanding and apply their analytical skills. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. Not Transferable. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G078 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Academic Reading for Multilingual Students 3

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

This course is the third course of the ESL Academic Reading sequence for multilingual students who need proficiency in academic literacy. It equips students with strategies to read, analyze, and interpret complex academic texts that present linguistic and conceptual challenges. Moreover, it emphasizes the recognition of common academic vocabulary on the Academic Word List. Successful completion prepares students for college-level reading and beyond. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G086 4 Units (72 lecture hours)

Academic Writing for Multilingual Students 1

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

Formerly: ESL G095. This course is the first course of the ESL Academic Writing sequence for multilingual students who need proficiency in academic English. It is tailored to introduce students to essential academic skills, including reading comprehension, writing proficiency, linguistic mastery, and critical thinking abilities. The primary objective is to equip students with the essential tools required to construct and enhance academic paragraphs effectively, in direct response to prompts closely aligned with the course's reading materials. Graded. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G087 5 Units (90 lecture hours)

Academic Writing for Multilingual Students 2

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

Formerly: ESL G105. This course is the second course of the ESL Academic Writing sequence for multilingual students who need proficiency in academic English. It focuses on cultivating academic language, reading, writing, and critical thinking skills, with a specific emphasis on crafting introductory, body, and concluding paragraphs—a foundational skillset for academic essay writing. Throughout the course, students will learn to develop a strong thesis statement, grasp the essential structure of academic essays, and refine their ability to build supporting details through revisions. Graded. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G088 5 Units (90 lecture hours)

Academic Writing for Multilingual Students 3

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

Formerly: ESL G115. This course is the third course of the ESL Academic Writing sequence for multilingual students who need proficiency in academic English. It equips students with essential skills in critically reading, analyzing, and interpreting college-level texts, enabling them to craft well-structured essays. Emphasis is placed on developing a central idea, logical paragraph sequencing, and integrating diverse perspectives to bolster analysis. Additionally, research skills are honed to incorporate into essays. Successful completion prepares students for freshman composition. Graded. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G096 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

Academic Listening & Speaking for Multilingual Students 1

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

This course will introduce students to academic listening, speaking, language, and critical thinking skills. The course focuses on developing listening skills such as note-taking, summarizing main ideas and supporting details, and predicting content. Students will also expand their speaking skills through individual and group presentations, pronunciation practice, and small group discussions. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G097 **3 Units (54 lecture hours)**

Academic Listening & Speaking for Multilingual Students 2

Advisory: ESL G096.

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

This course will introduce students to academic listening, speaking, language, and critical thinking skills with an emphasis on academic lectures and informal debates. The course focuses on developing listening skills such as the analysis and personalization of the speaker's message. Students will also expand their speaking skills through individual and group presentations and informal debates. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.

ESL G098 **3 Units (54 lecture hours)**

Academic Listening & Speaking for Multilingual Students 3

Advisory: ESL G097.

Grading Mode: Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

Not Transferable.

This course will prepare students for the demands of college-level courses in English and other academic disciplines by honing their listening comprehension and oral fluency. The course focuses on understanding extended academic lectures, note-taking skills, participating in in-depth discussions, and delivering formal persuasive and informative presentations. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. NOT DEGREE APPLICABLE.