

English as a Second Language (ESL)

ESL 501G English Language Grammar 5 Hours

Focus on improving understanding and use of English grammar in speaking and writing, as well as an introduction to American idioms.

ESL 501R English Language Reading 5 Hours

Focus on improving reading skills with an emphasis on understanding and discussing a variety of texts, using effective reading strategies, developing vocabulary, and increasing reading speed.

ESL 501S English Language Speaking 5 Hours

Focus on improving listening and speaking through activities such as note-taking, conversation practice, and participating in discussions. Emphasis on speaking in a variety of contexts; developing appropriate pronunciation, pitch, rhythm, and stress; increasing fluency; and expanding spoken vocabulary.

ESL 501W English Language Writing 5 Hours

Focus on improving writing skills by increasing writing fluency and accuracy at the sentence, paragraph, and essay levels. Emphasis on structure, organization, and development of ideas.

ESL 302S Academic Listening and Speaking 3 Hours

Focuses on the English language skills necessary for understanding lectures, taking notes, participating in and leading discussions, and giving effective presentations.

ESL 302W Academic Reading and Writing 3 Hours

Focuses on the English language skills necessary for reading and discussing academic texts, using new vocabulary, composing short papers, and writing research projects.

ESL 119S, 219S, 319S, 419S, 519S, 619S, 719S, 819S, 919S Topics in English as a Second Language 1-9 Hours

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ESL 129S, 229S, 329S, 429S, 529S, 629S, 729S, 829S, 929S Topics in English as a Second Language 1-9 Hours

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ESL 388S Oral Communication 3 Hours

Practicum in speaking skills. Focuses on pronunciation, fluency, grammatical accuracy, vocabulary development, formal presentations, and graduate-level discussions.

ESL 388T Basic Speaking Skills 3 Hours

Preparation for the International Teaching Assistant Oral English Proficiency Assessment. Practice focuses on the five tasks required in the assessment: summary, vocabulary list, reading, concept and graph explanations, and personal introduction.

ESL 388W Academic Writing 3 Hours

Practicum in writing skills. Focuses on basic syntax and sentence structure, paragraph and essay writing, and basic research writing.

ESL 389S Advanced Oral Communication 3 Hours

Focuses on accuracy and development of the speaking skills needed in academic contexts.

ESL 389T Communication and Teaching Culture 3 Hours

Focuses on pronunciation, presenting and summarizing information, and relevant topics in intercultural communication.

ESL 389W Advanced Academic Writing 3 Hours

Focuses on the writing skills needed for qualifying exams, research, and conference papers.