

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

ESL Intermediate Level

CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY: 12 units

DESCRIPTION

The credit ESL Program offers all levels of ESL courses ranging from basic to advanced in the areas of listening, speaking, grammar, reading, and composition. The program provides language skills for students with a variety of goals, from personal enrichment to academic preparation for students who want to pursue higher education in college instructional and/or vocational programs. In learning the English language, students learn to communicate in areas important to their personal lives, interact with native English speakers, read and understand the main ideas of a text and the supporting details that illustrate them, understand the rules and use of different grammar structures, and write about a topic with support and clarity. Students in the ESL Program come from a wide variety of educational, cultural, and native language backgrounds and contribute that richness to the study of English as a second language. Because of the multiple factors involved in language learning, progress in the learning of English varies from student to student. The program provides a sequence of courses that challenge students to review and expand skills previously learned in an atmosphere of intensity, professionalism, support, and respect. We take pride in our students and in our program.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- ▶ Demonstrate a developing an aural/oral fluency in a variety of contexts.
- ▶ Demonstrate intermediate level academic / study skills.
- ▶ Utilize a diversity of reading skills such as skimming, scanning and deciphering new vocabulary.
- ▶ Write simple, compound and complex sentences and short paragraphs.
- ▶ Manipulate sentence forms using a variety of verb tenses.
- ▶ Express opinions and ideas in both oral and written form.

REQUIRED COURSES (12 UNITS)

OPTION 1

ESL541	Intermediate ESL Listening/Speaking II	4
ESL542	Intermediate ESL Reading, Vocabulary II	3
ESL543	Intermediate ESL Grammar - Writing II	5

OPTION 2

ESL547	Integrated Reading / Writing III	6
ESL548	Integrated Listening / Speaking III	6

ESL Advanced Level

CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY: 9 units

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PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- ▶ Demonstrate a strong aural/oral fluency through one-on-one communication, small group discussion, oral presentations and debates.
- ▶ Demonstrate advanced level academic/study skills.
- ▶ Read fiction and nonfiction prose and poetry and utilize a wide range of reading and critical thinking skills.
- ▶ Write well structured academic paragraphs and essays in a variety of rhetorical patterns.
- ▶ Express opinions and ideas using increasingly accurate and fluent English.

REQUIRED COURSES

ESL562	Advanced ESL Reading Vocabulary II	4
ESL563	Advanced ESL Composition II	5

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ESL Lifeskills

NON CREDIT CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

DESCRIPTION

Courses are designed to meet the needs of students whose first language is other than English. The mission of ESL programs for adults in California is to equip students with the language and cultural proficiencies required for the eventual fulfillment of personal, vocational, academic, and citizenship for participation in American society.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

- ▶ Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:
- ▶ Request very basic services within the context of the life skills topics covered;
- ▶ Make simple present, present continuous, simple past, and future affirmative and negative oral and written statements within the context of the life-skills topics covered;
- ▶ Pronounce and spell the names of objects, people, places, and activities within the context of the life skills topics covered;
- ▶ Use subject, object, and demonstrative pronouns, possessive adjectives, the structures "can" and "have to", simple nouns, basic prepositions, adjectives, frequency adverbs and the interrogatives: when, where, why, how, who, whose, and what.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- ▶ Select 2 to 6 courses from the following list, based upon placement

ELECTIVES

ESL775	ESL Literacy I
ESL 776	ESL Literacy II
ESL 784	NC ESL Lifeskills 1A
ESL 785	NC ESL Lifeskills 1B

CORE COURSES

ESL 786	NC ESL Lifeskills 2A
ESL 787	NC ESL Lifeskills 2B

NOTE: Core courses are ESL 786 and 787. Students cannot obtain the certificate if they do not complete these courses.

Vocational ESL

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The mission of ESL programs for adults in California is to equip students with the language and cultural proficiencies required for the eventual fulfillment of personal, vocational, academic, and citizenship for participation in American society. The Vocational ESL Certificate is a content-based integrated skills program for ESL students who want to prepare for immediate language improvement in workplace settings. Students expand their language skills within the context of the vocational situations while also developing the soft skills needed in the workplace. The Vocational ESL Certificate focuses on vocabulary and communication skills that are integral to successful job performance.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- ▶ Recognize, define, and recall vocational vocabulary;
- ▶ Apply vocational vocabulary in written and spoken communication;
- ▶ Demonstrate sociability in communication with customers and co-workers
- ▶ Follow procedures for job safety or basic job duties.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

ESL704A	ESL for the Workplace
ESL704B	ESL for the Workplace

