ESL 562      Advanced ESL Reading, Vocabulary II
Units: 4.0    Hours: 4.0 Lecture
This course prepares ESL students for mainstream college classes by reviewing a variety of reading skills, strategies, and topics from different academic disciplines. Students expand their academic vocabulary and read short stories or a novel for literary appreciation. PREREQUISITE: ESL 552 with a grade of ‘C’ or better or ESL assessment recommendation. Recommended concurrent enrollment in ESL 564 and ESL 563.

ESL 563      Advanced ESL Composition II
Units: 5.0    Hours: 5.0 Lecture
This course is a composition course for ESL students that refines and further expands college composition skills through the writing of essays. The course focuses on the structuring and development of an essay with the use of personal examples. Students write in response to a variety of prompts using different rhetorical patterns such as classification, narration, argumentation, and cause/effect. ADVISORY: ESL 554 with a grade of “C” or better or concurrent enrollment in ESL 554. PREREQUISITE: ESL 553 with a grade of “C” or better or ESL assessment recommendation.

ESL 564      Advanced ESL Grammar II
Units: 3.0    Hours: 3.0 Lecture
This course is designed to expand grammar usage to include adjective, noun, and adverb clauses in oral and written communication. Students learn the meaning and use of clause connectors and are introduced to conditionals, both real and unreal. These grammar structures constitute some of the most complex structures in English and expose students to a rich variety of structures that can effectively enhance their oral and written expression. PREREQUISITE: ESL 554 with a grade of “C” or better or concurrent enrollment in ESL 562 and ESL 563.

ESL 584      Culture Through Film
Units: 3.0    Hours: 3.0 Lecture
This course is designed to practice listening and speaking skills through the use of selected films. The course highlights different intercultural issues and aspects of American culture, and students enhance their listening and speaking skills by means of authentic discourse. Because film provides a real sample of speech in a multi-dimensional experience, ESL learners can experience the language in a more complete manner while analyzing cultural issues. This is a pass/no pass course. ADVISORY: ESL 538 or ESL Assessment recommendation.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

ENVS 1      Introduction to Environmental Science
Units: 4.0    Hours: 3.0 Lecture and 3.0 Laboratory
An introduction to the scientific principles and problem solving techniques used to evaluate the effects of human activities on different ecosystems. Topics will include the sustainability and stewardship of various ecosystems, environmental hazards such as air and water pollution, waste disposal, pesticides and herbicides, the impact of commercial and industrial activities, as well as population and urbanization. Basic chemistry, physics, and geology will be used throughout the course to explain and expand on these topics. The concepts will be reinforced with an integrated service learning laboratory program. This course was previously listed as ES 1.

FRENCH

FRNH 1A      Elementary French
Units: 5.0    Hours: 5.0 Lecture
French 1A is a multi-skilled beginning level class with emphasis on understanding and speaking French. Students are introduced to the cultures and customs of various French-speaking countries.

FRNH 1B      Elementary French
Units: 5.0    Hours: 5.0 Lecture
Continuation of French 1A with further development of the four skills of understanding, speaking, reading, and writing. Continued emphasis on culture. PREREQUISITE: French 1A, or equivalent.

GEOGRAPHY

GEOG 1      Physical Geography
Units: 3.0    Hours: 2.0 Lecture and 3.0 Laboratory
An introductory study of the basic physical elements of geography including climate, land forms, soils, water, and natural vegetation. The laboratory will include the tools and methods of geographers. (C-ID: GEOG 115) ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

GEOG 2      Cultural Geography
Units: 3.0    Hours: 3.0 Lecture
This course is a study of diverse human populations, their cultural origins, diffusion and contemporary spatial expressions. Topics include: historical geography; geographical techniques & methodology, demography; languages & religions, urbanization and landscape modification; political units and nationalism; and economic systems and development. Emphasis is given to interrelationships between human activities and the biophysical environment. This course has the option of a letter grade or pass/no pass. ADVISORY: Skills commensurate with successful completion of English 250 and English 260 or equivalent.

GEOLOGY

GEOL 1      Introduction to Geology
Units: 4.0    Hours: 3.0 Lecture and 3.0 Laboratory
A study of the earth and the physical properties which modify the earth; minerals, rocks, geologic structures and processes. ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.