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## Course Outline

**COURSE:** ESL 527                      **DIVISION:** 90                      **ALSO LISTED AS:**

**TERM EFFECTIVE:** Fall 2021

**CURRICULUM APPROVAL DATE:** 11/10/2020

**SHORT TITLE:** BEGIN READ-WRITE

**LONG TITLE:** Beginning ESL Reading, Writing

| <u>Units</u> | <u>Number of Weeks</u> | <u>Type</u> | <u>Contact Hours/Week</u> | <u>Total Contact Hours</u> |
|--------------|------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 6            | 18                     | Lecture:    | 6                         | 108                        |
|              |                        | Lab:        | 0                         | 0                          |
|              |                        | Other:      | 0                         | 0                          |
|              |                        | Total:      | 6                         | 108                        |

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Out of Class Hrs:            216.00

Total Learning Hrs:       324.00

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This is the first course in a series of integrated skills courses designed to introduce beginning ESL students to academic reading, writing and grammar skills. This beginning course focuses on vocabulary development, basic reading strategies and comprehension, basic grammar and beginning writing skills (sentence level and basic paragraphs.) The aim of this course is to assist beginning level students in becoming more literate while participating in holistic reading and writing activities based on engaging multicultural topics. Pre-requisite: ESL 787 - NC ESL Lifeskills 2B or ESL 789 - NC Lifeskills 2 or ESL Assessment Recommendation.

### PREREQUISITES:

Completion of ESL 787 or Completion of ESL 789 or  
Completion of ESL 727, or ESL Assessment Recommendation.

**CREDIT STATUS:** C - Credit - Degree Non Applicable

### GRADING MODES

L - Standard Letter Grade

**REPEATABILITY:** N - Course may not be repeated

**SCHEDULE TYPES:**

- 02 - Lecture and/or discussion
- 05 - Hybrid
- 71 - Dist. Ed Internet Simultaneous
- 72 - Dist. Ed Internet Delayed

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

1. Identify the main idea and supporting details of a reading.

Measure of assessment: Classroom exercises, tests, homework assignments.

Semester/Year assessed, or planned Semester/Year of assessment: 2017

2. Use context clues to guess the meaning of new vocabulary.

Measure of assessment: Classroom exercises, tests, homework assignments.

Semester/Year assessed, or planned Semester/Year of assessment: 2017

3. Read, recognize and write affirmative and negative statements and questions using the following verb tenses: simple present, present continuous, simple past and future.

Measure of assessment: Classroom exercises, tests, homework assignments.

Semester/Year assessed, or planned Semester/Year of assessment: 2017

4. Write simple sentences and very basic paragraphs using correct structure, word order and punctuation.

Measure of assessment: Classroom exercises, tests, homework assignments.

Semester/Year assessed, or planned Semester/Year of assessment: 2017

**COURSE CONTENT:**

Curriculum Approval Date: 11/10/2020

**DE MODIFICATION ONLY**

Out-of-Class Assignments: Written textbook assignments; assigned readings; paragraph writing; vocabulary memorization; online practice.

Content Note: Passage themes may vary by textbook and may include topics such as celebrations, holidays, places, health, or psychology.

10 Hours

**CONTENT:** Orientation to class. Explanation of green sheet, class requirements and procedures. Student introductions and ice-breaker activity. Do pre-reading activities to activate prior knowledge, use context clues to decipher meaning of new vocabulary, read a simple theme-based passage to find the main idea and supporting details, and do post-reading comprehension exercises. Review simple sentence structure and punctuation. Introduce simple present tense affirmative and negative statements.

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** State class requirements and objectives. Introduce oneself to classmates. Talk about a pre-reading photo. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify the main idea and supporting details. Write simple present tense affirmative and negative sentences using correct word order and punctuation.

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Read a theme-based passage or short story. Do "pre" and "post" activities including: pre-reading questions, vocabulary from context, main idea and detail questions, and comprehension exercises.

Continue simple sentence work, including: subjects, objects, complements, and punctuation and capitalization rules. Introduce the basic format of a simple paragraph. Write simple present tense yes/no and information questions. **TEST ON SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE**, the format of a basic paragraph and basic reading, vocabulary and comprehension skills.

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Write simple present tense "yes/no" and "information" questions using correct word order and punctuation. Write a very basic controlled paragraph about a cultural celebration or holiday.

## **COURSE CONTENT(CONTINUED):**

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Do pre-reading activities, read a theme-based passage, decipher vocabulary from context, answer main idea and detail questions, and do comprehension exercises. Continue simple sentence work with a focus on adjectives. Write a basic guided paragraph. **STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Use adjectives while writing simple present tense sentences and a short, guided "descriptive" paragraph about a special place.

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Read a theme-based passage or short story and do pre-reading activities, vocabulary from context, main idea and detail questions, comprehension and discussion exercises, continue sentence writing and guided paragraph writing with a focus on comparative and superlative adjectives. **TEST ON ADJECTIVES** and basic reading and vocabulary skills.

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Discuss a reading. Write simple present tense sentences utilizing comparative and superlative adjectives. Write a short, guided paragraph.

7 Hours **CONTENT:** Read a theme-based passage or short story and do pre-reading questions, vocabulary from context, main idea and detail questions, comprehension exercises, and sentence and guided paragraph writing. Write simple present sentences using frequency adverbs. **STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Write simple present tense sentences utilizing frequency adverbs. Write a guided paragraph.

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Read a theme-based passage or short story and do pre-reading activities, vocabulary from context, main idea and detail questions, comprehension exercises, and sentence and guided paragraph writing with a focus on adverbs (frequency, manner, too, very, and enough). Introduce the Process Paragraph.

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Discuss a reading. Write simple present tense sentences and a guided process paragraph.

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Introduce Present Continuous Tense and contrast with Simple Present Tense. Review the formation of affirmative and negative statements and yes/no and information questions in both the present continuous and simple present tense.

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Write original affirmative and negative statements and yes/no and information questions in both the simple present and present continuous tenses.

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Read a passage or short story and do pre-reading questions, vocabulary from context, main idea and detail questions, and comprehension exercises. Continue writing sentences and guided paragraphs in both the simple present and present continuous tenses. **TEST ON SIMPLE PRESENT TENSE AND PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE.**

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Write sentences using both simple present and present continuous tenses. Write a short, guided paragraph.

7 Hours

**CONTENT:** Introduce Future Tense with "Will" and "Be Going To".

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:** Write original affirmative and negative statements and yes/no and information questions using both forms of the future tense. Make basic distinctions about when to use each form. Write "if and time clauses" using a combination of simple present tense and future tense.

**COURSE CONTENT(CONTINUED):**

7 Hours

CONTENT: Read a passage or short story and do pre-reading activities, vocabulary from context, main idea and detail questions and comprehension exercises. Introduce prepositional phrases. TEST ON FUTURE TENSE AND PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify main idea and supporting details. Write sentences using the future tense and prepositional phrases. Write a short, guided paragraph.

12 Hours

CONTENT: Introduce simple past tense. Practice writing and manipulating affirmative and negative statements and yes/no and information questions using the past tense. Use regular and irregular verbs as well as the past tense of BE. Write an original basic paragraph using the past tense.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Write and manipulate affirmative and negative statements and yes/no and information questions using the simple past tense. Correctly spell and use the past tense of BE and basic regular and irregular verbs. Write a basic paragraph using the past tense.

7 Hours

CONTENT: Read a passage or short story and do pre-reading activities, vocabulary from context, finding the main idea and details, comprehension and discussion exercises. Practice writing simple instructions. Review regular and irregular past tense verbs. TEST ON PAST TENSE and basic reading and vocabulary skills.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Ask and answer pre-reading questions. Read a passage and guess at new vocabulary using context clues. Identify the main idea and supporting details. Write simple instructions. Write a process paragraph using the past tense.

7 Hours CONTENT: Pronouns. Identify and use subject pronouns, object pronouns, possessive pronouns, possessive adjectives and possessive nouns.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Write and manipulate sentences using subject, object and possessive pronouns, and possessive adjectives and nouns.

7 Hours

CONTENT: Review of course content.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES: Read a passage using context clues to decipher new vocabulary. Skim and scan to identify main idea and supporting details. Respond to the reading in both oral and written form. Write simple affirmative and negative statements and yes/no and information questions using correct punctuation in the simple present, present continuous, simple past and future tenses. Identify and use in speech and writing: nouns (regular, irregular, possessive, count/noncount), adjectives (comparative/superlative, possessive), adverbs, pronouns (subject, object, possessive) and prepositional phrases. Write a basic paragraph on a simple topic.

2 Hours

**METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:**

Students are taught in a holistic manner through a variety of activities that include: lecture, pair work, small and large group activities, written and oral textbook exercises, reading assignments, discussion, and sentence and paragraph writing in controlled and free contexts.

**OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENTS:**

Required Outside Hours: 216

Assignment Description: (12 hours/week) Daily homework assignments may include: written textbook assignments; assigned readings; paragraph writing; vocabulary memorization; online practice.

**METHODS OF EVALUATION:**

Writing assignments

Percent of total grade: 20.00 %

Percent range of total grade: 15 % to 30 % -Substantial writing assignments including: Written Homework and online workbook exercises.

Objective examinations

Percent of total grade: 80.00 %

Percent range of total grade: 70 % to 85 % Multiple Choice; True/False; Matching Items; Completion; Other: paragraph reading and writing

**REPRESENTATIVE TEXTBOOKS:**

Bixby and McVeigh. Q: Skills for Success Reading and Writing - Intro. Oxford,2015.

Or other appropriate college level text

ISBN: 978-0194818056

Reading Level of Text, Grade: High Beginning ESL Verified by: Nicole Cisneros

**Recommended Other Texts and Materials**

John Beaumont's 2015 edition of "Northstar Reading and Writing Book 1" published by Pearson Longman. Heinle Cengage Learning's 2018 edition of "Pathways: Reading, Writing, and Critical Thinking - Foundations". Look into split editions of these texts.

Use a grammar book to supplement grammar topics, such as: "More Grammar Practice Book 1", 2nd Edition, published by Heinle Cengage Learning, and "Grammar in Context Book 1", 6th Edition, by Sandra Elbaum, also published by Heinle Cengage Learning.

**ARTICULATION and CERTIFICATE INFORMATION**

CSU TRANSFER:

Not Transferable

UC TRANSFER:

Not Transferable

**SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:**

Basic Skills: B

Classification: Y

Noncredit Category: Y

Cooperative Education:

Program Status: 1 Program Applicable

Special Class Status: N

Prior to College Level: D

Non Credit Enhanced Funding: N

Funding Agency Code: Y

In-Service: N

Occupational Course: E

Course Control Number: CCC000608159

Sports/Physical Education Course: N

Taxonomy of Program: 493087