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English as a Second Language (ESL) 0700 English for Academic Purposes: Writing and Grammar II (4 Units)

[formerly English as a Second Language 61]

Prerequisite: Qualification by assessment process or successful completion of English as a Second Language 0600 with a grade of "C" or better

Prerequisite knowledge/skills:

Before entering the course, a student should be able to:

- 1. Compose legible notes,
- 2. Compose a series of related sentences based on personal experiences and familiar material,
- 3. Compose related sentences to form brief paragraphs,
- 4. Enhance use of simple and compound sentences with and, but, or, so,
- 5. Enhance use of Yes/No and Wh- questions and answers,
- 6. Enhance use of the be and have verbs.
- 7. Differentiate between the simple present, present progressive, simple past, and future (*going to and will*) tenses, and
- 8. Use new vocabulary.
- 9. Enhance knowledge of the following grammar elements at the low-intermediate academic level:
  - a. Simple present and progressive tenses
  - b. Regular simple past tense
  - c. Nouns
    - i. Count
    - ii. Non-count
  - d. Pronouns
  - e. Adjectives
  - f. Future tenses
  - g. Simple and compound sentences

Total Hours: 60 hours lecture; 16 hours lab (76 hours total)

Catalog Description: This course is designed for bilingual and/or immigrant students learning English at the early intermediate level. It focuses on grammar and composition. Emphasis is placed on writing one- to two-paragraph compositions, and the acquisition of vocabulary, idioms, and structures of written English. The course stresses the correct use of a variety of grammatical structures and verb tenses within the context of the composition.

Type of Class/Course: Non-degree credit

Texts: Firsten, Richard. Grammar Connection 2. 1st ed. Boston, MA: Thomson Heinle, 2007. Print.



Folse, Keith S., et al. *Great Writing 2: Great Paragraphs*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Boston; Houghton Mifflin, 2010. Print.

Additional Required Materials: None

Course Objectives:

By the end of the course, a successful student will be able to:

- 1. Understand and use the following grammar elements at the high-intermediate academic level:
  - a. simple, progressive, and perfect tenses,
  - b. nouns
  - c. pronouns
  - d. adjectives
- 2. Compose legible notes,
- 3. Compose simple, compound, and compound-complex sentences
- 4. Compose and organize a composition with a clear beginning, middle, and end,
- 5. Identify thesis, topic, supporting and concluding sentences in reading passages,
- 6. Use transitional expressions used to increase coherence,
- 7. Differentiate between the perfect tenses,
- 8. Use sentence connectors,
- 9. Compose sentences with clear comparisons,
- 10. Understand gerunds and infinitives, and
- 11. Compose and organize a composition with a clear beginning, middle, and end,
- 12. Identify thesis, topic, supporting and concluding sentences in reading passages,
- 13. Use transitional expressions used to increase coherence,
- 14. Differentiate between the perfect tenses,
- 15. Use sentence connectors,
- 16. Compose sentences with clear comparisons, and
- 17. Understand gerunds and infinitives.

Course Scope and Content: Lecture

#### Unit I Grammar

- A. Verb Tenses
  - a. Simple tense
    - i. Irregular simple tense continued
  - b. Perfect tenses
    - i. Irregular present perfect
    - ii. Past
    - iii. Future
  - c. Perfect progressive
    - i. Past
    - ii. Present
    - iii. Future
- B. Question formation
  - a. Wh- questions
- C. Modals
- D. Sentence connectors



- a. Coordinating conjunctions (and, but, so)
- E. Comparison
  - a. Comparatives
  - b. Superlatives
- F. Gerunds and infinitives

### Unit II Writing

- A. A Paragraph
- B. Topic Sentences
- C. Supporting Sentences
- D. Concluding Sentences
- E. The Definition Paragraph
- F. The Process Analysis Paragraph
- G. The Descriptive Paragraph
- H. The Opinion Paragraph
- I. The Narrative Paragraph
- J. Paragraphs in an Essay

#### Course Scope and Content: Lab

- 1. Practice and apply the simple tenses,
- 2. Practice and apply the irregular simple past tense,
- 3. Identify the perfect tenses basic structure,
- 4. Practice and apply the perfect tenses,
- 5. Identify the irregular present perfect,
- 6. Practice and apply the irregular present perfect tense,
- 7. Identify and practice using the irregular past perfect tense,
- 8. Identify and practice the future perfect tense.
- 7. Practice and apply the perfect progressive tenses,
  - A. Past
  - B. Present
  - C. Future
- 8. Practice and apply correct question formation,

Wh- questions

- 9. Identify, practice and apply correct usage of modals,
- 10. Practice composing sentences with appropriate sentence connectors
- 11. Practice composing sentences using comparative adjectives,

Comparatives

**Superlatives** 

12. Identify and practice using gerunds and infinitives in writing

#### Learning Activities Required Outside of Class:

The students will spend a minimum of 8 hours per week outside of their regular class time doing the following:

- 1. Studying
- 2. Completing homework exercises
- 3. Writing paragraphs



# 4. Working on lab exercises

## Methods of Instruction:

- 1. Assigned exercises from textbook/workbook
- 2. Lecture
- 3. Writing assignments
- 4. Group work
- 5. Discussion
- 6. Lab

## Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Written homework
- 2. Quizzes
- 3. Essay exams
- 4. Grammar exams
- 5. Midterm and final