

Intermediate English as a Second Language

26691 ESL D244.50Z and 26714 ESL D444.50Z

10 units

Time: MTRW 9:30--11:45am--ONLINE
Starts: 09/25/2023--Ends: 12/15/2023

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and by appointment

PREREQUISITES:

Qualifying score on the English as a Second Language placement test or English as a Second Language 234 with a grade of C or better.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Development of English speaking, listening, reading and writing skills with an emphasis on explicit, direct grammar instruction. Vocabulary-building and writing are emphasized. Pronunciation practice and discussion of cross-cultural topics are also included.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- 1 Comprehend, analyze and respond to reading and listening intermediate materials.
- 2 Write a group of topic-related sentences using level specific grammar and vocabulary.
- 3 Demonstrate understanding and usage of level-specific grammar and vocabulary in reading, writing, listening and speaking.

REQUIRED TEXT AND MATERIALS:

1. *Breaking Through*

Author: **JIMENEZ, FRANCISCO**

ISBN: 9780618342488

2. *Focus on Grammar 3*, fifth edition, by Fuchs, Bonner and Westheimer
On-Line Version—**Codes will be provided Free of Charge--No need to buy book**
4. A folder and notebook for class notes and handouts

RECOMMENDED: English-English Dictionary

CLASS ACTIVITIES: The class activities will focus on improving reading, writing, listening and speaking skills through the use of reading, writing, pronunciation, listening and speaking exercises and will include lectures, individual and group presentations, small/large group-work, tests, and quizzes as well as lab work and out of class activities.

GRADING CRITERIA: Grading will be based on completion of homework assignments, participation in class activities, midterm quizzes, and the final exam.

• **Class Participation/Completion of Tasks.....60%**

Since improvement in conversation largely depends on practice, your attendance in class and completion of in-class and homework assignments is of the utmost importance. Missing more than 5 Face to Face or ZOOM class sessions will result in your being dropped from the class. 3 days late (more than 10 minutes) =1 absence.

Each Face to Face/ZOOM class you will receive a participation point based on your participation in class activities. You cannot receive a participation point if you are absent from class. Your participation grade will be partially based on the number of participation points you receive.

- **Midterm Tests.....20%**
- **Final Exam.....20%**

-----Mark your calendar: The date of the final exam will be Tuesday, December 12--9:30 AM to 11:30 AM -----

CLASS POLICIES:

ALL class meetings (MTWR) will be held synchronously via ZOOM. You will be held responsible for any content covered and assignments given on those days.

1. All homework should be completed before coming to class and all work should be turned in on time. Please do not come to class and then try to finish your homework.
2. I will not accept late assignments without penalty. Late assignments are marked down one grade each day they are late.
3. All homework should be submitted to CANVAS unless otherwise requested.
4. I will **not** give make-up quizzes, nor will I give the final exam to individual students outside of the assigned time. As for tests, if you know you will be absent for a test, tell me before so other arrangements can be made.

You are responsible for finding out what the homework is if you are absent. If you do miss a class, it is your responsibility to contact your classmates or me, get the assignments for the following day and come to class prepared. You may find it helpful to get the names and contact information of two classmates. However, you are not required to give this information to anyone.

Classmate #1 Name _____ Phone _____
Email _____

Classmate #2 Name _____ Phone _____
Email _____

5. Cheating and copying papers from other students will not be tolerated. If a student is caught cheating or copying, he/she will be dropped from the class. This applies to both the "borrower" and the "lender"! Please do your own work; that is the fastest road to progress.

SPECIAL NEEDS:

Please inform the instructor if you have a physical or learning disability that requires special accommodations.

♦ Extra Help

1. Sign up for a weekly tutor or drop-in tutoring at the Writing/Reading Center online.
2. Sign up for workshops in the Listening/Speaking Center online.

♦ Cell Phones

Please put your cell phones on silent/vibrate before entering class.

♦ English Only, Please

Although I have great respect for your first language, the purpose of this class is to improve your *English* listening and speaking skills. You will do that most successfully if you speak English at all times during class.

FALL 2023 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

September 25--December 12: Standard 12-Week Fall Session

Important

Your Final Exam is the last day of your class--Tuesday, December 12.

- The deadline to request **Pass/No Pass grading** for classes taken in the current quarter (or summer session) is the last day that the class meets for the term. (See the [Pass/No Pass webpage](#) for more information)
- You can find **Add and Drop** deadlines for nonstandard-length classes by logging in to [MyPortal](#): Open the Apps section, click on the Student Registration tile and then click on "View Your Class Schedule." All deadlines are enforced.

Dates are enforced.

September 20

District Opening Day (Flex Day)

September 21

College Opening Day (Division/Department Flex Day)

September 22

Welcome Day (Division/Department Flex Day)

September 25

The first day of fall quarter – Monday, Sept. 25 – is also **Yom Kippur**. Students will not be dropped from a class for not attending that day in observance of the holiday.

Please [email your instructors](#) if this applies to you.

November 10

Veterans Day holiday – no classes; offices closed

November 17

Last day to [drop classes](#) with a W

November 23-26

Thanksgiving holiday – no classes; offices closed

December 12---[Final exam](#)--9:30 to 11:30

January 8

Winter Quarter Starts

♦ Let's have fun and enjoy learning together this Fall quarter!!!