

English Language and Cultural Studies (ELAC)

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A unit of the Graduate School and International Education, the English Language and Cultural Studies program supports international graduate and undergraduate students as well as visiting and exchange students/scholars by providing supplementary English language and culture courses. Program faculty support student success and assist students transition to the University of Arkansas.

Courses

ELAC 000V. University Connections Intensive English. 1-9 Hour.

This class is part of the Intensive English Program designed for students who are in their first semester of the University Connections three-semester program. Not for degree credit. Prerequisite: Language assessment required. (Typically offered: Irregular)

ELAC 0011. Writing Workshop: Grammar through Editing. 1 Hour.

This class is designed to assist upper-intermediate to advanced non-native speakers of English improve their academic writing at the sentence level. Students' writing is analyzed for grammatical accuracy; students develop strategies for editing their writing more independently and learn to produce clearer, more grammatically correct writing. Not for degree credit. Prerequisite: Placement through TOEFL iBT Writing / TOEFL TWE / IELTS writing / UofA ELPT (writing) / TOEFL Alternative. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 0023. Introduction to Academic Writing. 3 Hours.

To enhance reading comprehension and academic writing skills of non-native speakers of English at the upper-intermediate level. Through extended readings, students improve their ability to recognize main ideas, distinguish support, respond to content & build vocabulary. Students improve their writing at the paragraph and essay level. Not for degree credit. Prerequisite: Placement through TOEFL iBT Writing / TOEFL TWE / IELTS writing / UofA ELPT (writing) / TOEFL Alternative. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 1023. Academic Writing Across Disciplines. 3 Hours.

The class is designed to improve the academic writing and critical thinking skills for non-native speakers of English in all fields. Through focused instruction and extensive practice, students will improve their academic lexicon, grammatical accuracy, discourse organization and fluency in formal academic writing. Not for degree credit in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences. Prerequisite: Placement through TOEFL iBT Writing / TOEFL TWE / IELTS writing / UofA ELPT (writing) / TOEFL Alternative. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 1033. English Language through Mass Media. 3 Hours.

Students expand their communicative language skills through the study of news and media. By analyzing the messages and methods used in a variety of sources, students improve their listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. Students develop critical thinking skills as they evaluate and synthesize ideas from the texts. Not for degree credit in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences. Prerequisite: Placement through TOEFL iBT Writing / TOEFL TWE / IELTS writing / UofA ELPT (writing) / TOEFL Alternative. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 2012. English Phonology for Non-Native Speakers. 2 Hours.

In this course students study the basic principles of phonetics and phonology of English in order to develop their ability to produce the standard American accents. Not for degree credit in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 2023. Business English Communications. 3 Hours.

This is a course for non-native English speakers to develop their oral communication skills for professional business settings. From informal dialogues to formal business presentations, students learn appropriate verbal and non-verbal communication strategies and develop confidence to communicate effectively and comprehensibly. Not for degree credit in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences. Prerequisite: Placement through TOEFL iBT Writing / TOEFL TWE / IELTS writing / UofA ELPT (writing) / TOEFL Alternative. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 2043. Seminar in United States Culture, Communication, and Institutions. 3 Hours.

Through an in-depth study of American life, culture, communicative style and institutions, non-native speakers of English improve their oral and written communication skills. Not for degree credit in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences. Prerequisite: Placement through TOEFL iBT Writing / TOEFL TWE / IELTS writing / UofA ELPT (writing) / GRE Analytical Writing / GMAT Analytical Writing / TOEFL Alternative. (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)

ELAC 2053. Academic Presentations. 3 Hours.

For advanced non-native speakers of English to build skills and strategies for delivering effective, clear presentations in academic and professional settings. Students learn about organization, best use of visual aids, connecting with an audience, facilitating questions and answers, and intercultural issues that affect perception and comprehensibility. Not for degree credit in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences. Prerequisite: At the request of an instructor or through TOEFL (iBT) exam, spoken portion of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), or the University of Arkansas Spoken Language Proficiency Test (SLPT). (Typically offered: Fall and Spring)