English as a Second Language

Award Type: Certificate of Accomplishment

The credit English as a second language (ESL) program provides nonnative speakers with the linguistic foundation necessary for further personal, vocational, and academic endeavors as well as helps them assimilate to life in the United States. The certificate of accomplishment includes reading, writing, grammar, and conversational skills. These courses will enable students to read advanced ESL passages and respond in writing, write well-organized, cohesive paragraphs with minimal errors, use advanced grammatical structures appropriately in a variety of contexts, and participate in conversations in a variety of settings (social, academic, medical, etc.).

The graduate of the Certificate of Accomplishment in English as a Second Language will:

• be independent language learners and have core competencies in English reading, writing, grammar, speech, and listening to achieve their personal, vocational, and academic goals.

Program Requirements

A total of 14 units is required for the certificate.

Required core courses (11 units)

Course Number	Course Title	Units
ESL 540	Advanced Reading for ESL	4.0
ESL 541	Advanced Writing for ESL	4.0
ESL 552	Advanced Grammar for ESL	3.0

Plus a minimum of 3 units selected from the following:

Course Number	Course Title	Units
ESL 544	Advanced Conversation for ESL	3.0
ESL 555	Pronunciation for ESL	3.0
ESL 572	Public Speaking for ESL	3.0