

Basic Course Information Winter 2022 Semester: Instructor Name: **Rosa Contreras** ESL 855: American Slang in Course Title & #: rosa.contreras@imperial.edu **Social Settings 1** Email: 10007 Webpage (optional): CRN #: **Real Time Online Zoom** Office #: 2789 Classroom: Class Dates: Jan 03 – Feb 03 Office Hours: No winter office hours Class Days: M T W Th F Office Phone #: **Use Pronto or Canvas Inbox** Class Times: | 6:00 pm – 8:10 pm Emergency Contact: Lency Lucas 760-355-6337 Units: Non Credit Class Format: **RT-ONL**

Course Description

A course for English learners with intermediate or low advanced knowledge of written or spoken English. Mainly of interest to learners of English who want to review, practice, and become more fluent at the intermediate/low advanced level of English. It will teach students common and accepted American slang that is used in a typical classroom setting: at work, on television, and interacting with native speakers in almost any context and how these topics are used in typical speech. Students will practice using many different kinds of slang expressions in written sentences and speech acts. (Nontransferable, nondegree applicable)

Course Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s)

No prerequisites

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

1. Identify and apply American Slang used at various situations and scenarios.

Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Identify and apply American Slang used at a party
- 2. Identify and apply American Slang used at the market
- 3. Identify and apply American Slang used on a vacation
- 4. Identify and apply American Slang used at the airport
- 5. Identify and apply American Slang used at the movies
- 6. Identify and apply American Slang used at a restaurant
- 7. Identify and apply American Slang used on the road
- 8. Identify and apply American Slang used at school
- 9. Identify and apply American Slang used when talking about health
- 10. Identify and apply American Slang used on a date



- 11. Identify and apply American Slang expressions that use colors
- 12. Identify and apply American Slang expressions that use proper names
- 13. Identify and apply American Slang expressions that use initials.

Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

No textbook required.

Worksheets and other materials for class will be available on Canvas.

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

COURSE FORMAT: This is a hybrid course. We will meet on Zoom Mondays and Wednesday. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays we will meet at Imperial Valley College.

CANVAS: You will not do work on Canvas; however we will use Canvas to access materials and to access other activities. Please make sure you have installed the Canvas app on your phone or tablet. Please bring your phone or tablet with you to class.

CLASS MATERIALS: Worksheets and other class materials will be available for you on Canvas. Please make sure to have these materials available when we meet online or when you come to class.

CLASS GRADE: This course is PASS/NO PASS. You must earn 70% to pass the class.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS:

- Lecture
- Individual Activities
- Group Activities
- Discussion

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Pass/ No Pass Only

GRADING			
Listening Quizzes	25%		
Vocabulary Quizzes	25%	PASS: 70% or more	
Speaking/Pronunciation	25%	NO PASS: 69% or below	
Attendance and Participation	25%		
TOTAL	100%	NOTE: This class is PASS or NO PASS only. You must earn 70% to pass the class.	



Course Policies

To ensure your success, plan to participate in all class activities! There are many ways that we can participate, collaborate, and share ideas in an online environment. Here are a few:

- Contribute and share ideas in group discussion.
- Ask questions when you do not understand something.
- Reading information from the instructor as well as classmates.
- Be prepared and complete assignments.

If you are feeling lost and need a study buddy, then send me an e-mail and I can pair you up with a fellow classmate.

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ATTENDANCE: *IVC's Official Policy:* A student who fails to attend the first meeting of a class or does not complete the first mandatory activity of an online class will be dropped by the instructor as of the first official meeting of that class. Should readmission be desired, the student's status will be the same as that of any other student who desires to add a class. It is the student's responsibility to drop or officially withdraw from the class.

Our Policy: Any student who does not attend class the first day will be dropped. I do not drop students at any other time during the semester. If you stop coming to class, you will receive a NO PASS.

RESPECTFUL USE: IVC's Respectful Use and Netiquette Policy: IVC's official policy about netiquette is as follows:

What is netiquette? Netiquette is internet manners, online etiquette, and digital etiquette all rolled into one word. Basically, netiquette is a set of rules for behaving properly online.

Students are to comply with the following rules of netiquette: (1) identify yourself, (2) include a subject line, (3) avoid sarcasm, (4) respect others' opinions and privacy, (5) acknowledge and return messages promptly, (6) copy with caution, (7) do not spam or junk mail, (8) be concise, (9) use appropriate language, (10) use appropriate emoticons (emotional icons) to help convey meaning, and (11) use appropriate intensifiers to help convey meaning [do not use ALL CAPS or multiple exclamation marks (!!!!)].

Our Respectful Use and Netiquette Policy: For this course, I expect all students to be treated with respect. If someone disagrees with an opinion, it is not an opportunity for name calling or belittling. It is a time to respectfully listen, contemplate, and learn. We do not have to agree in the discussion boards, but we do have to be respectful and kind. Any instances of disrespect in a discussion or group collaboration should be brought to the instructor's attention and may result in the disrespectful student losing points or being reported to the campus disciplinary officer.

LATE WORK POLICY: As this is a short-term class, you must be in class to do the work. I will not accept late work.

SICKNESS AND HEALTH: If you are sick, **PLEASE STAY HOME** and **DO NOT COME TO CLASS**. You can still participate in our Zoom classes, but do not come to face to face classes. If you get COVID, please let me (your instructor) know.

Follow California state and Imperial Valley College guidelines for masking.



IVC Student Resources

IVC wants you to be successful in all aspects of your education. For help, resources, services, and an explanation of policies, visit http://www.imperial.edu/studentresources or click the heart icon in Canvas.

Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar

Date or Week	Activity, Assignment, and/or Topic	Pages/Due Dates/Testssss
Week 1	Syllabus & Introduction	
January 3-7	The Party	Please go to CANVAS to print
	The Market	out class materials.
Week 2	The Movies	Please go to CANVAS to print
January 10-14	On Vacation	out class materials.
Week 3	*Monday, Jan. 17 th No Class -Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday	Please go to CANVAS to print
January 17-21	The Airport	out class materials.
Week 4	The Restaurant	Please go to CANVAS to print
January 24-28	The Road	out class materials.
Week 5	School and Health	**Final Week of Class
January 31-Feb. 3		***No Class Friday, Feb. 3rd

^{***}Subject to change without prior notice***