

Basic Course Information				
Semester:	Spring 2022	Instructor Name:	Garza, Alex	
	Grammar and Composition			
Course Title & #:	for ESL 4 – ESL 004	Email:	alex.garza@imperial.edu	
CRN #:	20143	Webpage (optional):		
Classroom:	Fully Online – No Zoom	Office #:	Zoom/Pronto/Classroom	
			M 11:45 – 12:15, 4:05 – 4:35	
			T 4:45 -5:15	
			W 11:45 – 12:15	
			Th 12-2	
Class Dates:	February 14 <sup>th</sup> - June 10th	Office Hours:	Or by Appointment	
Class Days:	Fully Online (No Zoom)	Office Phone #:	(760) 355-6229	
Class Times:	Fully Online (No Zoom)	Emergency Contact:		

Class Format:

**Fully Online** 

# **Course Description**

ESL 004 is an integrated grammar and writing course designed for students who want to develop English language skills at the intermediate level. Students learn and use grammatical structures found in academic English. Students also extend their knowledge of, and their ability to write, academic paragraphs. This course may be taken concurrently with other Level 4 ESL courses to strengthen student academic performance. Successful completion of this course will prepare students for ESL 005. CEFR B1. (Nontransferable, nondegree applicable)

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

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Units:

# **Student Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Correctly form and use verbs in a variety of tenses.
- 2. Write and/or identify a variety of sentences (simple, compound, complex, compound-complex), including questions and negatives.
- 3. Write a topic sentence with a topic and controlling idea.

# **Course Objectives**

### MEASURABLE COURSE OBJECTIVES AND MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR GRADE OF "C":

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



- 1. Can produce straightforward connected texts (paragraphs and short papers) on a range of familiar subjects using a variety of sentence structures (simple, compound, complex);
- 2. Can develop content, organization, and coherence to communicate effectively in written work.
- 3. Can use basic punctuation (commas, periods, and question marks), capitalization, and formatting.
- 4. Can recognize and correct errors in own and other's writing including: subject/verb agreement, verb tense, modal use, sentence errors, and punctuation.
- 5. Can use a wide range of vocabulary appropriately when discussing familiar topics and every day situations such as family, hobbies and interests, work, travel, and current events.

# **Textbooks & Other Resources or Links**

Laurie Blass; Mari Vargo 2018. *Pathways: Reading and Writing, and Critical Thinking 3: Student Book 3A/Online Workbook* 2nd. National Geographic Learning ISBN: 9781337624923

# **Course Requirements and Instructional Methods**

CORE CONTENT TO BE COVERED IN ALL SECTIONS

### WRITING

- Write sentences using a variety of structures
- Write an 8-10 sentence paragraph with a topic and a controlling idea using correct capitalization, grammar, and mechanics
- Capitalization, grammar, and mechanics
- Connecting Devices
- Paragraph Format and Style.
- Prewriting skills
- Self and peer editing
- Plagiarism awareness

### **GRAMMAR**

- Parts of speech, parts of a sentence
- Verb tenses (review): simple present, simple past, present/past progressive, future
- Verb tenses (introduce): present/past perfect, present perfect progressive
- Sentence structure: simple, compound, complex
- Parallel structure
- Clauses: dependent/independent, relative (adjective), adverb, noun
- Irregular verbs and past participles
- Gerunds and infinitives
- Modals (review): Ability (can/could/be able to) Permission (can/could/may) Request (can, could will, would) Advice (should, ought to, had better) Necessity (have to/must/can't) Possibility (may/might/could)
- Modals (introduce): Advisability in the past (should have, ought to have, could have, might have) Speculations in the past (may have, might have, could have, must have, had to have)



# **VOCABULARY**

- Vocabulary needed to express habits, routines, past activities, and personal experiences, family, hobbies and interests, work, travel, and current events.
- Use of high incidence vocabulary from the Academic Word List

# **Course Grading Based on Course Objectives**

Paragraph 1	16%
Paragraph 2	16%
Paragraph 3	16%
Paragraph 4	16%
Canvas Modules	26%
Final Exam	10%
	100%

100%

### **Course Policies**

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.

# **Online Rules and Policies**

- 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 (!!!!)].

# **Academic Honesty**

Academic honesty in the advancement of knowledge requires that all students and instructors respect the integrity of one another's work and recognize the important of acknowledging and safeguarding intellectual property.

There are many different forms of academic dishonesty. The following kinds of honesty violations and their definitions are not meant to be exhaustive. Rather, they are intended to serve as examples of unacceptable academic conduct.

Plagiarism is taking and presenting as one's own the writings or ideas of others, without citing the source. You should understand the concept of plagiarism and keep it in mind when taking exams and



preparing written materials. If you do not understand how to "cite a source" correctly, you must ask for help.

• Cheating is defined as fraud, deceit, or dishonesty in an academic assignment, or using or attempting to use materials, or assisting others in using materials that are prohibited or inappropriate in the context of the academic assignment in question.

Anyone caught cheating or plagiarizing will receive a zero (0) on the exam or assignment, and the instructor may report the incident to the Campus Disciplinary Officer, who may place related documentation in a file. Repeated acts of cheating may result in an F in the course and/or disciplinary action. Acts of cheating include, but are not limited to, the following: (a) plagiarism; (b) copying or attempting to copy from others during an examination or on an assignment; (c) communicating test information with another person during an examination; (d) allowing others to do an assignment or portion of an assignment; (e) using a commercial term paper service.

### **IVC Student Resources**

**Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar** 

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

# Week 2 Constructing Paragraphs/Unit 1 Social Relationships Week 3 Unit 1 Social Relationships Week 4 Unit 1 Social Relationships/Paragraph 1 Week 5 Unit 2 Science and Investigation Week 6 Unit 2 Science and Investigation Week 7 Unit 2 Science and Investigation /Paragraph 2 Week 8 Unit 3 City Solutions



Week 9
Unit 3 City Solutions
Week 10
Unit 3 City Solutions/Paragraph 3
Week 11
Unit 4 Danger Zones
Week 12
Unit 4 Danger Zones
Week 13
Unit 4 Danger Zones/Paragraph 4
Week 14
Unit 5 The Travel Business
Week 15
Unit 5 The Travel Business
Week 16
Final Exam

\*\*\*Subject to change without prior notice\*\*\*