

Amended

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE NAME: ES [REDACTED]

INSTRUCTOR NAME: MICHAEL MARTIN

CLASSROOM AND TIME: TUESDAY, 6:00 – 8:15, FEM 4
THURSDAY, 6:00 – 8:15, LAL

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

ESL 61 is a basic course designed to teach speakers of other languages reading skills. Although the acquisition of reading skills is the primary focus of the course, English comprehension skills, speaking skills and writing skills will also be acquired through constant classroom interaction and exercises. The focused communicative approach is used. The student will regularly be given authentic reading materials, discuss the knowledge they have with the subject matter before reading, and then read and analyze the reading materials for content, grammar and vocabulary. The class will also discuss the topics in groups and with the entire class. Students will read a wide selection of materials, some very practical, such as T.V. habits in the United States, to nuclear and extended families in various countries. It is hoped that the student will be able to understand a variety of written media after completing this class, which will help the student in the community as well as prepare the student for more advanced English courses at Reedley College.

MATERIALS REQUIRED:

INTERACTION – available in the bookstore

GRADING SCALE:

Grades are assigned as follows:

- Daily quizzes: 25%
- Regular tests: 25%
- Computer Assignments: 25%
- Homework: 25%

ATTENDANCE POLICIES:

It is crucial to attend classes in order to develop English communication skills. I understand many of you have outside obligations which may prevent you from attending a class. If this is so, let me know, and I'll work with you. If you miss more than 20% of the classes, this may lead to withdrawal

IMPORTANT DATES:

JANUARY 10 INSTRUCTION BEGINS

JANUARY 17 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY

JANUARY 21 LAST DAY TO DROP AND RECEIVE FULL REFUND

FEBRUARY 18-21 LINCOLN DAY AND WASHINGTON DAY OBSERVED

MAY 10 LAST DAY TO DROP SEMESTER LENGTH COURSE

APRIL 17-22 SPRING BREAK

MAY 15 [REDACTED] ESL 60

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