# Syllabus– Fall 2023

## Course

* ESL-212LS-55348 Low-Intermediate Listening and Speaking (credit)
* ESL-312LS-55349 Low-Intermediate Listening and Speaking (noncredit)

## Description

ESL 212LS/ESL 312LS is a listening and speaking course for ESL students who want to develop oral language skills at the low-intermediate level. Students learn to exchange information on a variety of common topics, expressing ideas in an extended series of phrases and sentences. This course may be taken concurrently with other ESL 212/312-level courses. Successful completion of this course will prepare students for ESL 213LS or ESL 313LS. (Formerly ESL 264LS.)

## Time Commitment

This is a 100% online course. To succeed in this class, you need to spend time studying. You should plan on spending at least 12 – 18 hours each week. Most assignments will be completed on Canvas and MyEnglishLab.

## Optional Zoom Meetings

Optional live Zoom meetings will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 9:00am-10:30am. The Zoom link is on Canvas. Attendance at these live meetings is recommended. Zoom lectures will be recorded and available in Canvas.

## Technology Requirements

Students must have a computer with a working camera and microphone.

## Instructor

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**Zoom Office**: <https://scccd.zoom.us/j/97995323891>

## Office Hours and Communication Policy

**Office Hours**: Tuesday 11:00-11:50am

Wednesday/Friday 10:00-11:50am

**Location**: LRC 106 or Zoom Office

Office hours is a time that I reserve for you. You can make an appointment or just join me at these times. I am available to meet in my office or on Zoom. In addition to office hours, I’m often available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you contact me on Saturday or Sunday, I will reply on Monday.

There are four ways to contact me.

* **Come to my office on campus.**
* **Canvas Inbox** or **email** [David.Nippoldt@ReedleyCollege.edu](https://myscccd-my.sharepoint.com/personal/dn004_reedleycollege_edu/Documents/Documents/RC%20INSTRUCTION/ESL%20212LS%20(ESL%20264LS)/2022SP%20ESL-212LS-54846%20RECORDS/David.Nippoldt@ReedleyCollege.edu). I’ll try to respond to your email within 24 hours, usually much faster.
* **Phone**: (559) 494-3000 ext. 3100. This is my Reedley College office phone. You can leave a voice message 24 hours a day.
* **Zoom Office**: <https://scccd.zoom.us/j/97995323891> Log in and I’ll received a message that you are waiting for me. Please be patient. It may be several minutes before I answer. I’ll join you, and we can talk face-to-face on our screens.

## Important Dates

* Start of the semester: 8/7
* No Classes: 9/4, 11/10, 11/23-11/24,
* Deadline to drop the class to avoid a “W” (withdrawal): 8/25
* Deadline to drop the class to avoid a grade: 10/6
* Final exam week: 12/4-8

## Textbook

* Top Notch 2 Students Book & Interactive Book w/ MyEnglishLab & Resources
  + Edition: 3rd
  + ISBN: 9780137332335
  + Author: Saslow
  + Publisher: Pearson Education

## Advisories

ESL 211LS or ESL 311LS or placement through a multiple-measure process.

## Repeatability

ESL 212LS may not be repeated after successful completion. ESL 312LS is repeatable after successful completion.

## Course Objectives

In the process of completing this course, students will:

1. identify and use patterns of intonation and pronunciation.

2. converse on everyday social and familiar topics.

3. listen and identify global and discrete meaning.

4. listen to low-intermediate materials on familiar topics from a variety of sources.

## Course Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. communicate orally at the low-intermediate level.
2. listen and understand spoken English at the low-intermediate level.

## Drop and Attendance Policy

This is a 100% online course. Completing required coursework equates to class attendance. This class also has optional Zoom meetings. Please communicate with me if you have concerns about your attendance.

## Late Work Policy

You will know the due dates of assignments and exams for this class well in advance. All work, however, must be completed on time. No credit will be given for assignments or exams turned in late. Extra work or makeup work will not affect your grade. If you have technical problems or personal issues that keep you from completing your work, contact me so we can make alternate arrangements.

## Grades

This is a pass / no pass course. Current grades will be available to students throughout the semester on Canvas. Final grades will be calculated as follows:

* Pass (P) >70%;
* No Pass (NP) <70%

## Grading Categories

25% Oral Presentations/ Oral Assessment Interviews

25% Class Conversations (Panopto)

25% Unit Assignments/ MyEnglishLab Assignments

25% Unit Exams/ Review Exams

## Accommodation for Students with Disabilities

If you have a verified need for an academic accommodation or materials in alternate media (i.e., Braille, large print, electronic text, etc.) per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact the instructor.

## Cheating and Plagiarism

You will receive no credit for an assignment or exam if in the opinion of the instructor you have cheated or plagiarized. You may be reported to the college for academic dishonesty.

Cheating is the act or attempted act of taking an examination or performing an assigned, evaluated task in a fraudulent or deceptive manner, such as having improper access to answers, in an attempt to gain an unearned academic advantage. Cheating may include, but is not limited to, copying from another’s work, supplying one’s work to another, giving or receiving copies of examinations without an instructor’s permission, using or displaying notes or devices inappropriate to the conditions of the examination, allowing someone other than the officially enrolled student to represent the student, or failing to disclose research results completely.

Plagiarism is a specific form of cheating: the use of another’s words or ideas without identifying them as such or giving credit to the source. Plagiarism may include, but is not limited to, failing to provide complete citations and references for all work that draws on the ideas, words, or work of others, failing to identify the contributors to work done in collaboration, submitting duplicate work to be evaluated in different courses without the knowledge and consent of the instructors involved, or failing to observe computer security systems and software copyrights. Incidents of cheating and plagiarism may result in any of a variety of sanctions and penalties, which may range from a failing grade on the particular examination, paper, project, or assignment in question to a failing grade in the course, at the discretion of the instructor and depending on the severity and frequency of the incidents. (Reedley College Catalog)

## Schedule (subject to change)

| **Weeks** | **Topic** |
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| 1 | WELCOME! Let's getting started. |
| 2 – 3 | Unit 1: Getting Acquainted |
| 4 – 6 | Unit 2: Going to the Movies  Oral Presentation #1: Movie Review |
| 7 – 8 | Unit 3: Staying at Hotels |
| 9 – 10 | Unit 4: Cars and Driving  Oral Progress Check #1 |
| 11-13 | Unit 5: Personal Care and Appearance  Review Exam #1 |
| 14 – 15 | Unit 6: Eating Well  Oral Presentation #2: Eating Well |
| 16 – 17 | Unit 7: About Personality |
| 18 | Review Exam #2  Oral Progress Check #2 |