English as a Second Language Courses

All classes are 3 credit hours and available to all enrolled UW degree students.

ESL 1110 – Advanced Writing Grammar

Designed to introduce non-native speakers of English, who do not demonstrate the required competency in writing to enter ESL 1210, to academic writing skills. Includes instruction in grammar and sentence structure, paragraph and essay writing. Prerequisites: TOEFL of 18 and lower; IELTS of 5 and lower

ESL 1310 – Academic Listening Skills

This course equips non-native speakers with focused listening strategies and note-taking skills that can be applied across a variety of academic content areas and familiarizes students with discipline specific discourse patterns. Prerequisites: TOEFL Listening sub-score of 18 or lower IELT's sub-score 5.0 or lower; or instructor's consent.

ESL 1410 – Academic Reading Skills

This course equips non-native speakers with focused academic reading strategies across a variety of academic content areas, introduces the Academic Core Vocabulary lists, and familiarizes students with discipline specific discourse patterns. Prerequisites: TOEFL Reading sub-score of 18 or lower IELT's sub-score 5.0 or lower; or instructor's consent.

ESL 2110 – Oral Skills

Instruction for Novice to advanced Low speakers in refining English pronunciation, stress and intonation, listening comprehension, oral grammar practice and building vocabulary. Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory only. Prerequisite: consent of instructor.