Course Description

ELS 112  Expository Writing in English (3 credits)
Focus on varieties and strategies of expository writing for different audiences and situations. Students will improve their proficiency in the English language by developing effective styles of writing paragraphs and essays, culminating in a final research project. They will also expand their understanding of grammatical structures, develop critical thinking skills, and formulate arguments through selected readings and discussion. Individualized work with a tutor at the Writing Center and regular appointments with the instructor are strongly recommended. This course is restricted to students whose first language is not English and is accepted for General Education (ECw) credit.

ELS 122  Academic Writing in English (3 credits)
Designed to improve students’ skills in essay structure and college-level writing and will focus on practice writing assignments for introductory and general education courses across the curriculum. Students will improve their proficiency in the English language by expanding their vocabulary, developing critical thinking skills, and analyzing arguments through selected readings and discussion. Individualized work with a tutor at the Writing Center and regular appointments with the instructor are strongly recommended. This course is restricted to students whose first language is not English and is accepted for General Education (ECw) credit.

ELS 312  Oral English Skills for the Public Sphere (3 credits)
Focus on pronunciation, listening and speaking skills, and a variety of speaking projects with a special emphasis on speaking freely in academic and social situations. Students build fluency in English by completing pronunciation exercises, developing speaking and listening skills through various projects, and giving oral presentations. Students also expand their cross-cultural awareness by reflecting on differences between America and their countries. This course is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. This course is restricted to students whose first language is not English.

ELS 322  Oral English Skills for the Academic Sphere (3 credits)
Focus on pronunciation, listening and speaking skills, and a variety of communicative projects with a special emphasis on oral presentation skills. Students build fluency in English by developing speaking and listening skills with an intensive focus on pronunciation. Students strengthen public speaking skills by giving oral presentations and by completing speaking projects on a variety of academic topics. Students also expand their cross-cultural awareness by reflecting on differences between America and their countries. This course is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. This course is restricted to students whose first language is not English.