

Deanza College • Fall 2024
Low Intermediate English as a Second Language
ESL **234** Section 02Y • CRN: 27447 & ESL **434** Section 02Y • CRN: 27449
Monday - Thursday 6:30 pm – 8:45 pm • Hybrid Class M/W L34 & T/Th Zoom

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Office hours will be held after class daily. If you need to set up a meeting any other time, **text me** to figure out a time and to select a method (email, voice call, Facetime, WhatsApp, or Zoom).

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

ESL 234 is an intensive language class intended to improve your listening, speaking, reading, writing and grammar skills in English so that you can be more successful in your school, work, and personal life. We will work on building vocabulary, improving grammar knowledge, listening and reading comprehension, increasing speaking ability, and focus on writing correct grammatical sentences and short paragraphs in English. ESL 234 is a ten-unit class, so you may expect up to 20 hours of homework. Be sure to have plenty of time in your schedule to keep up with the assignments. Even if you are taking 434 (not for credit), the course expectations are identical.

II. PREREQUISITES

To take this class, you must have received a qualifying score on the ESL placement test.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Comprehend, analyze and respond to reading and listening low-intermediate materials.
2. Write a group of topic-related sentences using level-specific grammar and vocabulary.
3. Demonstrate understanding and usage of level-specific grammar and vocabulary in reading, writing, listening and speaking.

IV. TEXTBOOKS & MATERIALS:

Weaving It Together 2 *fourth edition* by Milada Broukal ISBN 978-1-305-25165-6
Basic English Grammar (5th Edition)

Viable Options:

ISBN 978-0-13-672607-4 (My English Lab)

ISBN:9780136726036 (Digital Resources)* **best price**

ISBN:9780137628117 (Digital book with Online Practice)

- Do not Buy an earlier edition. The editions are significantly different.
- Make sure the item you buy is a **textbook**, not a workbook.

- Make sure the item you buy is not just half of the book (Title would have “Book A” or “B”)
- Used books are ok as long as they are blank and the correct edition.

Other Required Materials: A home computer, laptop, or tablet, a working webcam and microphone and internet connectivity

V. ATTENDANCE:

You are expected to attend all class meetings. I will allow a total of **three absences** per student. If you miss more than 3 classes, you may be dropped or lose all of your classroom points. You must be present for tests and quizzes. Tests and quizzes can only be made up if you have made **prior** arrangements with the instructor.

If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to find out what you missed, and come to the next class prepared. You may find it helpful to get the names and contact information of two classmates. However, you are not required to give this information to anyone. Although I might drop you for excessive absences, it is **your responsibility to drop online if you wish to drop the class, otherwise, you might receive an “F.”**

VI. GRADING POLICY:

Grammar Final	12%		A+	A	A-
Reading Final	10%		97 - 100	93 - 96	90 - 92
Listening Final	7%				
Grammar Tests/Quizzes	10%		B+	B	B-
Listening Quizzes	5%		87 - 89	83 - 86	80 - 82
Reading Quizzes	5%				
Graded Writing	15%		C+	C	
Speeches	10%		77 - 79	73 - 76	
Daily Homework	10%				
Hand-In Homework	6%		F		
Classwork/Participation	<u>10%</u>		72 or Less		
Total	100%				

VII. OTHER POLICIES:

To receive a passing grade, you must receive a minimum grade of 60% on each of the following: class participation, daily homework, writing assignments, listening homework, hand-in homework, recorded speeches and final exams.

VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES (& SUPPORT SERVICES)

1. Free English Conversation Workshops in person at the [Student Success Center](#) ATC 313 or on Zoom. Register at www.deanza.edu/studentsuccesslsc
2. Individual tutoring is available on [NetTutor](#) via (Canvas) or at the [Student Success Center](#) <http://www.deanza.edu/studentsuccess/onlinetutoring>
3. [Cross-Cultural Partners](#) (CCP) Program for additional speaking practice with a fellow De Anza student
4. Any student who feels they may need accommodation based on the impact of a physical or learning disability should contact me privately to discuss your specific needs and apply for the [Disability Support Services \(DSS\)](#) for support.
5. If you do not have a laptop, you may be able to receive a refurbished one from this site. https://www.deanza.edu/oti/computer_scholar.html
6. If you need financial assistance, please contact **Lisa Mandy**, director of Financial Aid and Scholarships, at mandylisa@deanza.edu
7. If you are feeling stressed or depressed, <https://www.deanza.edu/resources/timely.html> is a 24/7 resource offering free mental health assistance to registered students..
8. If you wish to use a nickname (or English name) on unofficial documents including class rosters, go to: <https://www.deanza.edu/admissions/name.html>

IX. STUDENT CONDUCT

DeAnza College will enforce all policies and procedures set forth in the *Standards of Student Conduct* (See catalog).

Please turn **off** cell phones before entering class. Do not use your laptop for personal use such as gaming, checking email, etc...

English Only must be spoken at all times.

Students engaging in distracting, disruptive, or uncooperative behavior will be asked to leave the class and reported to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs.

Except for pair and group assignments, all assignments must be done **BY YOURSELF**. You are expected to collaborate equally for pair and group work.

Any form of cheating will **NOT** be tolerated, and it will lead to an **automatic** zero for that assignment, exam, or quiz and possibly even for the course. Repeat offenders will be reported to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs. If reported, the incident may remain part of your permanent college record. Go to De Anza College's Academic Integrity for more information.

Cheating includes, but is not limited to:

- Copying from another student's homework, quiz, or exam.
- Having someone else do your assignment and submitting it as your own.
- Getting "too much help" from someone on an assignment where the work no longer looks like your own.

- Giving your Homework to someone else or helping cheat in any way. Note helping another student cheat will also be an automatic F and is also a reportable offense.
- Turning in work generated by AI.
- Copying any amount of material from a published source, including books or the Internet without giving credit to the original author is **PLAGIARISM** and is considered a serious crime. Any student caught plagiarizing may be dropped from the course.
- Searching anything on Google or any other online platform during tests.

X. DATES TO REMEMBER:

Last day to add		Sat.	10/12
Last day to drop without a “w”		Sat.	10/12
Last day to drop with a “w”		Fri.	11/15
Veteran’s Day Holiday (no class)		Mon.	11/11
Thanksgiving Holiday (no class)		Thurs.	11/28
Final Examination	6:15 – 8:15 pm	Wed.	12/11