

IV. ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESLN)

ESLN consists of a course, a course of study, or an organized sequence of courses. There are six new certificate programs of competency organized in a sequence to provide instruction in the English language to adult, non-native English speakers with varied academic, vocational, and personal goals. Individuals whose primary language is not English may also prepare with stand-alone courses in the integrated skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

Program Outcomes

1. Students will be able to relate in various types of oral performance, conversation, and presentation.
2. Students will be able to interpret various types of literature, including authentic materials.
3. Students will be able to compose grammatically correct, well organized paragraphs and summaries of reading materials.

The Noncredit ESL Program curriculum provides intensive English Language instruction in Literacy to High-Intermediate level integrated courses (Levels 0-5). The program also offers four elective courses including Grammar, Conversation, American Culture, and Writing. The program provides students with increased opportunities for successful employment and academic achievement. The ESL Bridge Program helps students seamlessly transition to credit ESL classes.

- ESL Family Literacy - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-family-literacy-cert-competency/>)
- ESL Level 1 - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-level-1-cert-competency/>)
- ESL Level 2 - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-level-2-cert-competency/>)
- ESL Level 3 - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-level-3-cert-competency/>)
- ESL Level 4 - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-level-4-cert-competency/>)
- ESL Level 5 - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-level-5-cert-competency/>)
- ESL Literacy - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esl-literacy-cert-competency/>)
- ESLN Advanced Oral Communication Skills - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esln-advanced-oral-communication-skills-cert-competency/>)
- ESLN Advanced Written Communication Skills - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esln-advanced-written-communication-skills-cert-competency/>)
- ESLN Intermediate Oral Communication Skills - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/>)

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- ESLN Intermediate Written Communication Skills - Certificate of Competency (<https://curriculum.pasadena.edu/noncredit-division/english-second-language/esln-intermediate-written-communication-skills-cert-competency/>)

Courses

ESLN 1010A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE - LEVEL 1 - CONDENSED

0 unit

Introduction to basic grammatical functions with an emphasis on the development of language skills for listening with understanding and speaking to be understood. Listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills are integrated in basic life skills and basic work skills themes encountered in everyday context. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1015A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE-LEVEL 2 - CONDENSED

0 unit

Further practice of basic grammatical functions by emphasizing accurate oral and written communication at the high- beginning level. Listening, speaking, and reading skills (some writing) are integrated for better understanding of English used in daily life and everyday work/job skills. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1020A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE - LEVEL 3 - CONDENSED

0 unit

Emphasis on increased oral and written communication skills required to function independently in most situations beyond life and work-skills. Complex language functions and forms in listening, speaking, reading and writing are integrated with more general vocational and academic subjects. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1030A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE - LEVEL 4 - CONDENSED

0 unit

Introduction to high-intermediate level English language basic skills in reading and writing. Emphasis continues to be fluency in communication for extended conversation on a variety of subjects. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1040A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE - LEVEL 5 - CONDENSED

0 unit

Advanced English proficiency level in listening, speaking, reading, and writing to meet most life and work-related demands with little problem. Emphasis is on increased use of grammatical functions to prepare students for greater academic success at both high school and college levels. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1060A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LITERACY LEVEL A
0 unit**

Development of beginning literacy in the basic components of the English language and basic grammatical functions. Emphasis on spelling and pronunciation and mastering the English alphabet and numbers. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1060B ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LITERACY LEVEL B
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1060A or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Functioning at beginning literacy by talking about language components using grammar terms and understanding grammar functions. Emphasis is on generating short and simple phrases and establishing basic listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1061A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE, LEVEL 1A
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1060B or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Development of high-literacy grammatical functions. Emphasis on recognizing conversation and passage patterns and expanding writing competency within the context of basic life and work skills. Total of 108 lecture hours.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1061B ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE, LEVEL 1B
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1061A or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Functioning at high literacy by employing basic grammatical functions. Emphasis on writing and speaking in complete sentences and on reading and listening competencies within the context of basic life and work skills. Total of 108 lecture hours.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1062A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE, LEVEL 2A
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1010 or ESLN 1061B or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Development of low-beginning grammatical functions. Emphasis on simple oral and written communication form and on gathering general ideas through listening and reading in daily life and work. Total of 108 lecture hours.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1062B ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE, LEVEL 2B
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1062A or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Functioning at low-beginning proficiency by employing accurate grammatical forms. Emphasis on increasing listening, speaking, reading and writing organization and development skills in daily life and work. Total of 108 lecture hours.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1063A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LEVEL 3A
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1015 or ESLN 1062B or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Development of high-beginning reading, writing, listening, speaking English communication skills using complex language functions and forms. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1063B ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LEVEL 3B
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1063A or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Functioning independently at high-beginning proficiency in most situations. Emphasis on building listening, speaking, reading and writing skills within life, work and educational settings. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1064A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LEVEL 4A
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1020 or ESLN 1063B or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Development of low-intermediate English language skills in reading and writing. Emphasis on extended oral fluency and editing of incorrect language form. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1064B ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LEVEL 4B
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1064A or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Functioning with low-intermediate proficiency in many real-world situations requiring listening and reading, some involving technology. Emphasis on producing correct complex language forms in speaking and writing. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1065A ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LEVEL 5A
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1030 or ESLN 1064B or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Development of high-intermediate English proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing to meet many life and work-related demands. Emphasis is on reducing miscommunication through the correct use of grammatical functions and content organization. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

**ESLN 1065B ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE LEVEL 5B
0 unit**

Prerequisite(s): *ESLN 1065A or placement based on the ESL assessment process*

Functioning at high-intermediate English proficiency in life-skills listening, reading, speaking and writing to transition into academic English environments. Emphasis is on increased use of grammatical functions and formal writing styles. Total of 108 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1072 INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATION**0 unit**

Increased ability and confidence to integrate into the English-speaking community through the development of intermediate level listening and speaking skills. Topics include small talk, telephone communication, asking for/giving directions, and discussing personal interests and plans. For students at a beginning high to intermediate-low level of ESL (noncredit Levels 2 and 3). Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1074 ADVANCED CONVERSATION**0 unit**

Advanced instruction and training in effective American English listening and speaking skills. Topics include effective listening comprehension, communication strategies, interpersonal and intercultural competence, discussion of high-interest topics, and oral presentations. Designed for students at an intermediate to advanced level of ESL (noncredit levels 4, 5 and above). Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1082 INTRODUCTION TO PRONUNCIATION**0 unit**

Introduction to effective pronunciation of American English. Topics include fundamental components of stress, rhythm, intonation, and connected speech, as well as recognizing and producing key individual speech sounds (vowels and consonants), within the context of beginning to intermediate vocabulary and grammar structures. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1084 ADVANCED PRONUNCIATION**0 unit**

Advanced instruction and training in effective pronunciation of American English. Topics include word stress, rhythm, intonation, thought groups, prominence and connected speech, as well as recognizing and producing complex features of vowels and consonants, within the context of advanced vocabulary and sentence structures. Designed for students at an intermediate to advanced level of ESL (noncredit levels 4, 5 and above). Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1092 INTERMEDIATE GRAMMAR REVIEW**0 unit**

Designed to strengthen the existing grammar skills of beginning high to intermediate ESLN students (levels 2 and 3). Topics include basic English sentence structures and the appropriate use of verbs, nouns, adjectives and adverbs. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1094 ADVANCED GRAMMAR REVIEW**0 unit**

For intermediate to advanced ESLN students (levels 4, 5 and above) who seek to improve their grammar skills in American English in order to achieve more effective communication at work, school and in the community. Topics include the advanced use of verbs, adjectives, adverbs, and nouns, and the development of complex sentence structures. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1102 BASIC-INTERMEDIATE WRITING SKILLS**0 unit**

Focus on basic writing skills and computer literacy skills relevant to producing sentences and paragraphs in both formal and informal contexts. Targeted at beginning to intermediate ESLN students (Levels 2 and 3) who want to strengthen their basic writing skills. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1104 ADVANCED WRITING SKILLS**0 unit**

Focus on advanced writing skills and also computer literacy skills relevant to producing effective paragraphs and essays. Targeted at intermediate to advanced ESLN students (Levels 4, 5 and above) who want to strengthen their writing skills in preparation for further academic work or employment. Total of 72 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1112 INTERMEDIATE READING & VOCABULARY**0 unit**

Designed to build vocabulary development and reading comprehension strategies of beginning to intermediate ESLN students (levels 2 and 3). Instruction focuses on reading strategies useful in academic, employment, and personal contexts. Heavy emphasis on learning basic vocabulary in context, and using various reading strategies to increase reading comprehension. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1114 ADVANCED READING & VOCABULARY**0 unit**

Designed to build vocabulary development and reading comprehension strategies of intermediate to advanced ESLN students (levels 4 and 5). Instruction focuses on reading strategies useful in academic, employment and personal contexts. Heavy emphasis on learning advanced vocabulary in context, and using various reading strategies to increase reading comprehension. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1122A INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN CULTURE, MODULE A**0 unit**

Provides beginning-high to intermediate (ESLN Level 2 and 3) students with an introduction to the fundamentals of U.S. culture while integrating English language skill development in reading, writing, listening, speaking, vocabulary and grammar. Focuses on intercultural communication, relationships in U.S. society (family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, community) and key American holidays and special events. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1122B INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN CULTURE, MODULE B**0 unit**

Provides beginning-high to intermediate (ESLN Level 2 and 3) immigrant students with an introduction to the fundamentals of U.S. culture while integrating English language skill development in reading, writing, listening, speaking, vocabulary and grammar. Focuses on values and social norms, driving, food and dining out, money, shopping, government services, sports, music, entertainment, local culture and tourist attractions. Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 1124 ADVANCED AMERICAN CULTURE: CURRENT SOCIAL ISSUES

0 unit

In-depth examination, analysis, discussion and debate of current issues and topics in American society, looking at the intersection of government, politics, and culture. Content will be integrated with intermediate to advanced instruction in English language skills (reading, writing, listening, speaking and vocabulary). Total of 54 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 2050 ESL FAMILY LITERACY MODULE, A

0 unit

Development of speaking, reading, and writing skills of limited English speaking parents with children in local elementary, middle and high schools. Family literacy emphasis covering reading with children, parental involvement, kinder readiness, school attendance, and assisting children of all ages with homework. Total of 36 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 2051 ESL FAMILY LITERACY MODULE, B

0 unit

Development of speaking, reading, and writing skills of limited English speaking parents with children in local elementary, middle and high schools. Family literacy emphasis on academic skills, school attendance, assisting children with homework, basic college readiness, and financial aid information. Total of 36 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

ESLN 2052 ESL FOR HEALTH SCIENCES

0 unit

Introduction to the health care field for non-native speakers of English aimed at the development of language skills for careers in health care. Consists of communication skills and medical terminology. Total of 50 hours lecture.

Grade Mode: *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*