

ESL M02 Course Objectives and Assignments

Course Learning Outcomes: 1. Comprehend brief lectures and TV/video segments. 2. Speak on topics of general interest. 3. Write grammatically correct simple, compound, and complex sentences. 4. Write organized multi-paragraph essays supported with concrete details.	What will I do?	Homework	Class Participation	Quizzes	Essay writing	Research essay writing	Midterm & Final
What will I learn?							
Demonstrate listening comprehension of brief (3 to 5 paragraph) lectures and 15 to 30 minute TV/video segments.			✓	✓			
Recognize and use American speech patterns, sentence structure, and intonation.			✓	✓			✓
Discuss topics of general interest and express personal opinions, orally summarize lectures, and make brief speeches.			✓				
Produce grammatically correct simple, compound, and complex sentences.		✓			✓	✓	✓
Restate the main ideas of essays read and summarize assigned readings orally and in writing.			✓		✓	✓	
Differentiate between an essay's thesis and supporting details, recognize non-stated implications, identify authorial tone.		✓			✓	✓	
Organize and write concretely developed multi-paragraph essays.					✓	✓	

What assignments will I complete?

Homework:

- Complete grammar exercises from the course textbook (about 6 pages a week)
- Read and annotate articles from the course textbook (about 2-3 pages a week)
- Complete vocabulary and reading strategies exercises from the course textbook (about 4 pages a week)

Class participation:

- Participate and complete in-class activities (every class meeting)
- Come prepared to take reading quizzes on the assigned articles (1 per week)

Quizzes:

- Complete grammar quizzes on Canvas assessing grammar and vocabulary (1 per week)

Essay writing:

- Type essay outlines to prepare for final drafts (about 1 per month)
- Type 2.5-3-page essays on topics from the course textbook (about 1 per month)
- Revise essays based on instructor feedback

Research essay writing:

- Type essay outline to prepare for final draft (1 per semester)
- Research articles and books to locate information about research topic
- Type 4-5 page essay on topic from the course textbook (1 per semester)
- Type a "Works Cited" page for the research essay (1 per semester)

Midterm & Final:

- Complete multiple-choice exam (75-100 questions) relating to grammar and vocabulary usage (1 per semester each)

Please note that this college-level ESL class carries a 4-unit load. This means students can expect to complete 8-12 hours of work outside of class.