

ESL 1010 College Listening and Speaking, Summer 2015 Syllabus
English Department, Salt Lake Community College
Mon – Fri 10:00am – 12:20pm TB 304

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Required Textbooks

“Academic Encounters” (2nd Ed.) by Kim Sanabria and Carlos Sanabria



Course Objectives

This course is for students who are not native speakers of English. It is designed to improve students' overall proficiency in English and to prepare them for college study through the following activities:

1. Listening to college lectures
2. Reading college-level texts
3. Taking notes on oral and written materials
4. Speaking and pronunciation practice
5. Group and individual presentations, including research
6. Observing and practicing proper behavior in an American classroom

Course Policies

Respect: We are all working together. We should respect one another and treat others as we wish to be treated.

Language: Since this is a good opportunity for students to use English, it is strongly suggested that you use class time to practice your English skills. This includes both written and spoken language.

Attendance: Students should expect to be in class every day that we meet! If for some reason a student cannot come to class, the student should try to inform the instructor. You may contact the instructor at the phone number or e-mail address listed above. In the event of an exam, the student will only be able to make up the exam if s/he has notified the instructor before the class begins.

Cell Phones and other Electronic Devices: There is a simple rule: turn them off and put them away while in class.

Preparation: Be prepared for class every day! Please bring your textbook, notepaper and writing implements to class every day.

E-mail: Please check your college e-mail at least once a day.

Plagiarism: Make sure your writing is your own work; you may get help but please notify the instructor if you do so. Copying another's work is considered theft.

Extra Help: Please visit and make appointments with the tutors at the Academic Literacy Center in TB 430. We will visit this center together during the first week of semester.

Grading

Attendance: 10%

Participation: 20%

Weekly Notes: 25%

Oral Presentations: 25%

Final Exam: 20%

Your grade will be based on the following scale:

A 94-100%	B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69	E 59 and below
A- 90-93	B 84-86	C 74-76	D 64-66	
	B- 80-83	C- 70-73	D- 60-63	

Please note that in this course the minimum passing grade is a C.

Attendance (10%)

Absence from class is looked upon very poorly by your instructor. Demonstrate commitment to this course by regular attendance. Attendance is recorded every class session and missed classes will affect your grade negatively.

Participation (20%)

It is essential that you are engaged in class. You will have opportunities to read, work in groups, and contribute to discussions. You must also take listen to lectures, take notes, and give oral presentations. Ask questions, be attentive, and do your best to participate in all class activities.

Weekly Notes (25%)

A major component of this course is to help you develop your note-taking skills. Every week you will need to submit the notes you took during class lectures. The notes should be typed and submitted through Canvas.

Oral Presentations (25%)

Since this is a listening and speaking class you will be required to prepare and deliver oral presentation (5 in total). This will be a great opportunity to practice speaking and to gain confidence speaking in front of a class – something you will need to do in future college courses.

Final Exam (20%)

Your final exam will test your note-taking and listening skills.

Important Dates¹

Last day to add a class: June 23

Last day to drop a class with 100% refund: June 24

Independence Day Holiday: July 3 No Classes

Last day to withdraw (no refunds): July 17

Pioneer Day Holiday: July 24 No Classes

Last day of class and final exam: August 7th

¹ Verify these dates with the academic calendar <http://www.slcc.edu/academiccalendar/index.aspx>