

# ESL SPECIALTY COURSES, INTERMEDIATE TO ADVANCED

## Certificate of Competency

Program #3P44169

This is a focused language certificate program for English as a Second Language (ESL) Intermediate to Advanced students. The program has one required course (ESL Student Support Center) and at least one elective course: ESL Skill Building Intermediate to Advanced; ESL Reading Skills Intermediate to Advanced; ESL Writing Skills Intermediate to Advanced; ESL Grammar Review Intermediate to Advanced; ESL Speaking Skills Intermediate to Advanced; ESL Vocabulary Review Intermediate to Advanced; ESL and Computer Skills Intermediate to Advanced; American Idioms Intermediate Advanced or ESL & the Arts. Students can choose the area of focus based on their personal goals and needs. The ESL Student Support Center offers an opportunity to practice English through various instructional media. Students learn through ESL software and/or receive individual and group tutoring to improve their speaking listening reading and writing skills.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Core Courses (12 Hours)</b>		
ESLA 001	ESL Student Support Center	12
<b>Required Elective Course (36-180 Hours)</b>		
Must complete one of the following courses:		36-180
ESLA 211	ESL Skill Building, Intermediate to Advanced	180
ESLA 181	ESL Reading Skills, Intermediate to Advanced	36
ESLA 186	ESL Writing Skills, Intermediate to Advanced	36
ESLA 223	ESL Grammar Review, Intermediate - Advanced	36
ESLA 183	ESL Speaking Skills, Intermediate to Advanced	36
ESLA 226	ESL Vocabulary Review, Intermediate - Advanced	36
ESLA 815	ESL and Computer Skills, Intermediate to Advanced	36
ESLA 251	American Idioms, Intermediate-Advanced	36
ESLA 804	ESL and the Arts	36
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>48-192</b>

## Plan of Study

<b>First Year</b>		
First Semester	Hours	
ESLA 001		12
ESLA 181, 183, 186, 211, 223, 226, 251, 804, or 815		36-180
		<b>48-192</b>
<b>Total Hours 48-192</b>		

or

First Year		
First Semester	Hours	Second Semester Hours
ESLA 001		12 ESLA 181, 183, 186, 211, 223, 226, 251, 804, or 815 (Elective Course - Must complete 1 of 9 courses)
		36-180
		<b>12</b>
		<b>36-180</b>
<b>Total Hours 48-192</b>		

## List of Courses

**ESLA 001** **1-200 Hours**

### ESL Student Support Center

The ESL Student Support Center provides supplemental English instruction through individual and small group learning. Students can attend instructor-led workshops, focusing on targeted language skills, including conversation and pronunciation, grammar review, and reading and writing strategies. Students are provided opportunities to develop digital literacy skills, practicing English through instructional technology. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 181** **36-72 Hours**

### ESL Reading Skills, Intermediate to Advanced

This ESL course emphasizes reading comprehension skills while building vocabulary and critical thinking skills for students who are at an intermediate level or higher. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 183** **36-72 Hours**

### ESL Speaking Skills, Intermediate to Advanced

This course is designed to help English language learners at the intermediate to advanced level develop and build accuracy and fluency in speaking. The class will focus on different types of spoken language, conversation strategies, pronunciation skills and everyday speaking situations. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 186** **36-72 Hours**

### ESL Writing Skills, Intermediate to Advanced

This ESL course will acquaint intermediate to advanced students with writing techniques by focusing on pre-writing, outlining, drafting, revising and editing. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 211** **180 Hours**

### ESL Skill Building, Intermediate to Advanced

The course content is relevant to the lives of students. It integrates language functions and language forms with informational sources, skills and topics. Course topics will include the process and skills needed to seek employment as well as norms in the American workforce. The course will also cover planning, traveling and finances as skills needed to function in society. Students will use the above topics to build on reading comprehension, vocabulary, listening, speaking, writing and technology skills in an online environment. Students will be required to attend an orientation and take the CASAS assessment on campus. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 223**

**36-84 Hours**

**ESL Grammar Review, Intermediate - Advanced**

This course will teach the meanings and usages of advanced English grammar structures that are frequently used in everyday situations. Students will learn how to apply grammar rules in oral and written communication. This class supplements core ESL courses and is designed for ESL students placed in the intermediate and advanced levels. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 251**

**36-72 Hours**

**American Idioms, Intermediate-Advanced**

This course aims at developing language skills through the use of common North American English idioms and expressions. Productive skills (i.e., speaking and writing) are emphasized by sharing daily life experiences. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 804**

**36 Hours**

**ESL and the Arts**

This course builds students' reading comprehension, writing, and speaking skills in the context of thematic and aesthetic exploration of arts. Students will identify common artistic themes while comparing and contrasting a variety of aesthetic forms, styles, and periods. This interactive course includes visiting museums, watching performances, and listening to guest speakers. *(Apportionment)*

**ESLA 815**

**36 Hours**

**ESL and Computer Skills, Intermediate to Advanced**

Students will enhance their English language skills through challenging computer application tasks using MS Word, PowerPoint, Print Shop, Excel, the Internet, and MS Publisher. Emphasis is on building confidence in independent projects to improve English skills in grammar, vocabulary, writing, and reading. Students will be actively involved in computer projects linking the academic environment with their communities. *(Apportionment)*