

# **SYLLABUS**

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- Use formal introductions and salutations: "I'd like you to meet," "It's a pleasure to meet you," "It's been great meeting you," etc.
- Tell a story with informal reported speech using "like"
- Summarize what happened in a movie, TV show, or recent class
- Provide a critique on movies/books/TV with summary and opinion
- ☐ Promotion criteria. Student must achieve 2 of 3 of the following:
  - Low-Advanced proficiency based on achievement of 75% of SLOs
  - Rating of level 60 on a 6-8 minute formal presentation scored by class instructor using an ELI checklist/rubric
  - 80% or better on the ELI listening exam using authentic audio or video appropriate for a low-advanced level, using notes
- ☐ General description of the types of assignments to be given

## **Proficiency Scale**

The ELI has six levels for each core course, which comprise a range from Beginning to Advanced as described by the ELI's Proficiency Scale:

Proficiency Scale:		
Α	Advanced	Student has shown mastery of the outcomes for level 60
LA	Low-Advanced	Student has shown mastery of the outcomes for level 50
HI	High-Intermediate	Student has shown mastery of the outcomes for level 40
ı	Intermediate	Student has shown mastery of the outcomes for level 30
НВ	High-Beginning	Student has shown mastery of the outcomes for level 20
В	Beginning	Student has shown mastery of the outcomes for level 10
N	New	Student has no knowledge of English, starting level 10

## **Grading Scale**

94 - 100	Α	80 - 83	B-	67 - 69	D+
90 - 93	A-	77 - 79	C+	64 - 66	D
87 - 89	B+	74 - 76	С	61 - 63	D-
84 - 86	В	70 - 73	C-	0 - 60	F

<sup>\*</sup>Students who receive a failing grade are only permitted to return as a probationary student and will not get a certificate.

#### **ELI Attendance Policy**

- Students must attend 85% of classes.
- If you miss more than 15% of classes, you will not receive a certificate and will only be allowed to return to the ELI on a probationary basis.
- If you miss more than 25% of classes, you can no longer attend the ELI and your I-20 will be terminated.
- If you miss more than 5 days of class in a row (3 days in a row in B terms) in any class without informing the ELI, you can be expelled from the ELI.
- Late vs Absent:
  - o If you are late 3 times = 1 absence
  - o If you miss 20 minutes or more of class = 1 absence

# **Absence Limits (Sample)**

Class	15%	25%
Listening/Speaking	15	25
Reading/Writing	19	31
Grammar	10	16
TOTAL	43	72

## **Classroom Expectations**

Students at the ELI are expected to:

- Attend class regularly and be on time
- Be prepared for class
- Take their studies seriously
- Show respect for their ELI classmates, faculty, and staff, and greater UF
- Attempt to use English as much as possible
- Practice academic honesty and integrity in all work
- Follow UF, ELI, and classroom policies

Students who demonstrate an inability to meet the ELI's expectations will be counseled. If there are significant or repeated issues, students may be required to leave the ELI and F1 students could have their I20 terminated. Please view the University of Florida student conduct honor code for more information on appropriate behavior expectations in the classroom, and on campus. <a href="https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2018/08/The-Orange-Book-Web.pdf">https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2018/08/The-Orange-Book-Web.pdf</a>

## **UF Religious Holiday Policy**

At the ELI, our students come from a variety of cultural and religious backgrounds, and University policy states that students will not be penalized for *planned absences* related to religious observances. For more information, you may view UF's official policy online at <a href="https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies/#religiousholidaystext">https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies/#religiousholidaystext</a> or talk with an Instructor or an ELI administrator.

#### Accommodations for students with disabilities

If you experience learning barriers due to a disability, please contact Christine Voigt as soon as you can. She will help you talk to the UF Disabilities Resource Center about accommodations. You will need to do this every semester you attend the ELI. Please email Christine Voigt at <a href="mailto:christinevoigt@ufl.edu">christinevoigt@ufl.edu</a> or visit her in Matherly 225F for more information.

#### myELI Portal: Accessing Grades and Attendance

myELI is a secure internet-based portal where you can get information about the ELI and access your academic information, such as attendance and grade reports. You can go to the myELI student portal at https://my.eli.ufl.edu. You received your myELI username and password after you applied to the ELI. If you have problems logging into myELI, please contact the receptionist.

#### **ELI Final Exam Schedule**

ELI Final Exams will be given in the last 2 weeks of the semester (B term exams are in the final week). *The Final ELI Exams cannot be given early and cannot be made up*. Do not plan to leave early or travel before the end of the semester.

## Different classes have different assignments.

<b>2</b> <sup>n</sup>	d to last week of term	Final week of term		
Мо	nday	Monday		
	C term: Final Exam period	□ C term: Final Exam period		
	RW40 Summary Exam	□ B term: Finals begin		
	LS60 presentation	□ All Reading exams		
		□ LS60 presentation		
Tue	esday	Tuesday		
	C term: Final Exam period	□ C term: Final Exam period		
	LS60 presentation	□ All Grammar exams		
		□ All Listening exams		
We	dnesday	Wednesday		
	C term: Final Exam period	□ C term: Final Exam period		
	LS60 presentation	□ RW20 Paragraph		
	RW40 Writing Topics Distributed	□ RW40 Essay		
Thι	ırsday	Thursday		
	C term: Final Exam period	□ Last day of classes		
	LS60 presentations			
Fric	day			
	C term: Final Exam period			

## The following sections depend on the instructor.

## **Breakdown of Grades**

Assignments 25%
Quizzes 25%
Graded Homework\* 15%
Projects 35%

(different instructors may have a different breakdown of grades)

#### **Email Policy**

You will receive a lot of important communication about classes and UF via email/Canvas. The ELI will also send important messages to you by email. You need to check your UF email and Canvas at least once every day. If you don't know how to log in or you cannot log in, ask me or the Student Life Coordinator for help.

# **Translator Use in Classroom Policy** (example blurb, instructors create own policy)

Translators can be an effective tool for learning language; however, the use of translators is only permitted on some assignments in class. Translators are never allowed for final ELI exams, so students should be sure to prepare for exams and assignments without the use of a translator. Your teacher will inform you if translators are or are not allowed to be used on the different assignments in class.

## **ELI Scholarships**

In the long (Fall C, Spring C, and Summer C) semesters, the ELI awards a tuition-free semester to two full-time students through the Jayne C. Harder Memorial and the JC Casagrande Peace scholarships. The students must meet the following criteria at the time of nomination:

#### THE MINIMUM CRITERIA TO BE NOMINATED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS:

- 1. The student studies full-time at the ELI.
- 2. Academic Excellence: The student has a GPA of 4.0 at midterm.
- 3. Outstanding Progress: The student displays outstanding progress in language skills as evidenced by coursework.
- 4. Excellent Attendance and Participation: The student regularly participates in and attends ELI classes.

5. Practices English: The student makes every effort to practice English while at the ELI, in class, and at ELI-sponsored activities.

See the ELI Student Guide for more information.

## **Classroom Policies for Cheating and Plagiarism**

<u>All levels include:</u> Cheating is when a student uses materials or resources that is not approved by the teacher. Some **examples** include (but are not limited to):

- 1. You look at your friend's paper and your teacher says this is not okay.
- 2. Your teacher says you cannot get help with homework, and you get help.
- 3. You copy from another student's test during an exam.
- 4. You have a "cheat sheet," on a test or an assignment and your teacher does not give permission for one.
- 5. You use a dictionary when the teacher says you can't

<u>Levels 30 and up include:</u> Plagiarism is a form of cheating. It is when a student submits work as her/his own, but it is copied from elsewhere. The work can be as small as an idea, a phrase or sentence, or it can be a whole paper.

Penalties for academic dishonesty. Following are only examples. Please use what system works best for you.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> offense:

- Talk to the student
- Have student redo the exercise without a point penalty

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> offense:

- Official written warning is given to student
- Student is permitted to redo the exercise with a point penalty

## 3<sup>rd</sup> offense:

- Official written warning is given to the student
- Student receives a zero on the assignment

#### Recording in Classes (optional):

Students may record video or audio of class lectures. A "class lecture" is an educational presentation intended to inform or teach students in a class. The person lecturing can be the regular instructor or a guest instructor.

How these recordings may be used are strictly controlled. Recordings can only be used (1) for personal educational use, (2) in connection with a complaint to the university, or (3) as evidence in, or in preparation for, a criminal or civil proceeding. All other purposes are prohibited. Students may not publish recorded lectures without the written consent of the instructor.

Following are not class lectures and cannot be recorded:

- student presentations
- class activities that involve only student participation
- quizzes, tests, exams
- field trips
- private conversations between students in the class
- private conversations between a student and the faculty or lecturer during a class session

No one can publish a class lecture without permission of the instructor. To "publish" means to share, distribute, or provide access to a recording in any format or medium with any other person, including Next Review: 2027

another student within the same class. A recording, or transcript of a recording, is considered published if the whole thing or any part of it is published on any media platform. A student who publishes a recording without written consent may be sued by a person injured by the publication.

# **Viewpoints Expressed in the Class (optional):**

We will talk about many different topics in this class. As your instructor, I do not intend to promote a certain viewpoint and it is important that ELI students use their own analysis of the data and sources of the materials and readings to decide whether or not they agree with their classmates and/or instructor.

## What is Language Assistant (LA) Class?

In the Language Assistant class you practice the objectives we study in Listening/Speaking, learn about life in the US, and practice more of your informal speaking skills. Your LAs carefully prepare different activities that will help you improve your overall use of English in many ways. The LA class is not graded but is very important!