

English Language Centre

Elective Courses for 2nd Semester 2011/2012

EELC331: Speaking 1 (Advanced)

Instructor: Chris Rozendaal

Eligible students: students who have taken EELC121/122 or EELC131/132 or are currently taking an EELC131 or EELC141 class can enroll in this class in the second semester.

EELC 331 is a **3-credit course (180 minutes/ week)** designed to enhance the oral fluency of learners. The courses focus is not on improving learners' vocabulary levels and structural knowledge of the language, but instead assumes that many students lack the automaticity to speak as fluently as they might given their current levels. This may be due to limited opportunities for retrieval, as well as lack of cultural knowledge about appropriate functions to use within certain contexts. These problems will be addressed by providing such opportunities and knowledge.

EELC341: Advanced Integrated Skills

Instructor: Vivian Chaplin

Eligible students: students who have taken EELC121/122 or EELC131/132 or are currently taking an EELC131 or EELC141 class can enroll in this class in the second semester.

This one-semester **3-credit course (180 minutes/ week)** may use a content- or theme-based approach to engage students in critical thinking, logical analysis, persuasion/argumentation, and other high level language skills required in academic English. Needs analysis will help determine which skills to emphasize each semester. Students will be expected to work independently and in groups. Topics may address current events as well as participants' major fields of study. Class materials will reflect the language level expected of high-intermediate to advanced level students whether they plan to enter the workforce or pursue graduate studies in English.

EELC221: Special Topic English Level II

Instructor: Miranda Ma

Eligible students: students who have taken EELC011/012 or EELC121/122 or are currently taking an EELC121 or EELC131 class can enroll in this class in the second semester.

EELC221 is a one-semester, **1-credit course (80 minutes/ week)** that focuses on introducing American culture and humor to students with the aim of optimizing students' English listening and speaking skills. Through active engagement with the TV sitcom "Modern Family" and contextualized pre- and post-viewing activities, students will practice their general English skills in a relaxed environment.

EELC321: Special Topic English Level III

Instructor: TBA

Eligible students: students who have taken EELC121/122 or EELC131/132 or are currently taking an EELC131 or EELC141 class can enroll in this class in the second semester.

EELC321 is a one-semester, **1-credit course (80 minutes/ week)** that focuses on the English Language Centre's English Festival event planning. Students will learn how to work in teams, plan English language activities, host events, and work with a budget. Students will learn practical organizing skills with the guidance of the instructor. Due to the nature of the course, regular weekly meetings may not be held. However, the total number of class meeting hours over the length of the semester will be the equivalent of a weekly 80-minute class.