



UC Berkeley Extension



English Courses for Nonnative Speakers

If you are a professional whose native language is not English and you want to improve your core English skills, you can benefit from UC Berkeley Extension courses. Learn how to speak, write, and interact with more confidence while studying with other professionals. With strong academic background and extensive teaching experience, our instructors provide you with language skills that will be immediate value to your career and life. These courses are intended for intermediate to advanced English learners.

Each course takes place at UC Berkeley Extension - American Baptist Seminary of the West, [2515 Hillegass Ave.](https://www.berkeley.edu/subject/english.html) in Berkeley. The fee per course is \$595. For more information including required textbooks, please go to [extension.berkeley.edu/subject/english.html](https://www.berkeley.edu/subject/english.html).

Spring 2018 Courses

Academic Writing for ESL

2 semester units

Strengthen your writing by learning how to develop your voice, write for different purposes, produce drafts, revise your work and more. Structured exercises and instructor feedback teach you to assess your own writing and that of your peers. Upon completion, you have a deeper understanding of the writing process and noticeable improvements in your writing.

Two sections

10 meetings

Tuesdays OR Thursdays, 6pm – 9pm

February 6 – April 10/February 8 – April 12

Advanced Grammar

2 semester units

Designed for nonnative English speakers, this course helps perfect and polish your English grammar with the goal of increasing your effectiveness and confidence in the workplace. Review and practice advanced grammar points in the contexts of oral communication, reading and writing.

One section

10 meetings

Wednesdays, 6pm – 9pm

February 7 – April 11

Business English for ESL Students

2 semester units

Develop the fluency, accuracy and communication skills you need to work confidently in the English-speaking business world. Focus on improving your English proficiency in core skill areas such as reading, writing, speaking and listening as you review key areas of business. You also learn how to effectively communicate in business meetings, give presentations, negotiate, and express yourself in a confident and assertive manner.

One section

10 meetings

Mondays, 6pm – 9pm

February 5 – April 23

No meetings on February 19 and March 26

Idiomatic English and Oral Communication Skills for ESL

2 semester units

Learn to communicate more fluently and naturally in many everyday situations. Using a variety of fun and engaging classroom speaking activities, build your vocabulary and your ability to use idioms to communicate more accurately and express yourself more effectively. Examine common American English idioms, expressions, slang and word combinations in popular movies, songs and texts. Learn in a lively, fun classroom environment, and build confidence in your English conversation skills.

Two sections

10 meetings

Tuesdays OR Thursdays, 6pm – 9pm

February 6 – April 17/February 8 – April 12

No meeting on Tuesday, April 3rd

Pronunciation Improvement for Effective Communication

2 semester units

Learn how to improve your intonation, rhythm and stress patterns to speak more clearly. Work closely with the instructor to correct individual errors, and learn strategies to help improve your accent. Become a better communicator in English through intensive classroom practice and structured activities. You also become aware of your own pronunciation, and learn to monitor yourself for continued improvement.

One section

10 meetings

Fridays, 2pm – 5pm

February 9 – April 20

No meeting on March 30

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