



In the name of God
Sharif University of Technology
Department of Languages and Linguistics
First Semester, 1391/92

General English Course Syllabus

Course: *General English*

Number of Credits: *3 Credits*

Location: *Ebn Sina Building*

Office Hours: *Check it with your instructor*

Webpage: <http://sharif.ir/~language/>

- their *writing* skills by getting familiarized with the fundamentals of paragraph and essay writing with a special focus on TOEL/IELTS writings tasks.

3. Course Requirements

All honorable students are required to have an active participation in the class and bring their questions to the class and seek their pertinent responses. The major concerns are as follows:

1. Read the suggested reading passages and be ready for class discussion and active participation.
2. Develop thought provoking questions to be discussed in the class.
3. Three or more unexcused absences will result in the failure of the course! Also absences/tardiness will negatively affect your classroom participation score!
4. Late assignment are penalized unless under certain extenuating circumstances or the instructor’s own extension!

Note: The instructor reserves the right to adjust, add to, or rescind the policies during the term as needed to conduct the course in an effective manner and better serve all students.

4. Required Readings

You will need certain materials to complete this course successfully. In addition to loose-leaf paper for notes and assignments and a folder in which to collect your work for this course, you must have the following textbook:

Textbook: Anderson, N. J. (2009). *Active Skills for Reading: Book 4* (2nd ed.). Boston: Thomson, Heinle. [with audio CD]

Various handouts: provided by the instructor as the need arises

5. Scoring Criteria

Your course grade will be based on the following measures of your skills and performance:

- a) Class Participation.....60 points
- b) Midterm Exam.....60 points
- c) Final Exam 80 points
- d) Total Scores.....200 points

Note: *Instructors reserve the right to change the above schedule with due notice to the students. Additional quizzes and assignments may be given during the class sessions. The last day of the classes: 1391/ 10/6
*** Mid Term Examination :** 1391/ 09/to be announced (Units: 1,2,6,7,8)

*** Final Examination :** 1391/ 10 /18 at 09:00 am, (Units: 1,2,6,7,8,9,10)

6. The Course Schedule

Session Number	Class Date	Session Contents
1		Introduction of syllabus Reading strategies Listening techniques
2		Unit 1: Looking for work, Chapter 1
3		Unit 1: Looking for work, Chapter 2
4		Unit 2: Computer culture, Chapter 1
5		Unit 2: Computer culture, Chapter 2
6		Unit 6: A new generation of thinking, Chapter 1
7		Unit 6: A new generation of thinking, Chapter 2
9		Unit 7: It's dinner time, Chapter 1
10		Unit 7: It's dinner time, Chapter 2
11		Unit 8: Beyond planet Earth, Chapter 1
12		Unit 8: Beyond planet Earth, Chapter 2
13		Unit 9: Energy for life, Chapter 1
14		Unit 9: Energy for life, Chapter 2
15		Unit 10: Language and life, Chapter 1
16		Unit 10: Language and life, Chapter 2