Course Name: Improve Your Pronunciation Advanced Focus A

Course Number: ELSK 0666

Course History:
 Revised Course

School or Centre: School of Access

Year of Study: Post-secondary Preparatory

Course Description:
Improve Your Pronunciation Advanced Focus A promotes autonomous learning and the teaching of strategies that lead to improved pronunciation, fluency, delivery and listening skills. Key components of the course are oral journals; oral presentations; phonological analysis and practice of authentic speech forms and features; phonological analysis and practice of the supra-segmental (stress, rhythm, intonation) sound system of English; contrasting the supra-segmental (stress, rhythm, intonation) sound system of English with learner language. Course delivery involves language and content appropriate to CLB levels 7 through 9.

Course Pre-requisites (if applicable):
CLB 6 Listening
CLB 6 Speaking

Course Co-requisites (if applicable):

PLAR (Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition)

☐ No ☐ Yes (details below):
Instructional Strategies:
ongoing needs analysis and feedback; recorded speech sample contribution and analysis; pair, group and whole class discussion; use of: audio lab, moodle, case studies, videos, lectures, demonstrations

Course Learning Outcomes:
Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to
1) use a variety of techniques and strategies to improve pronunciation, fluency, and delivery in advanced level English
2) demonstrate improved advanced level listening comprehension through analysis of phonological features of authentic English speech with special attention to supra-segmentals (stress, rhythm, intonation)
3) identify and produce elements of the supra-segmental (stress, rhythm, intonation) sound system in advanced level English

Program Learning Outcomes:
### Evaluation/Grading System

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### Components and Weighting of the Assessment/Evaluation Plan:

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<td>4 Oral Journal Contributions and Transcriptions</td>
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<td>3 Recorded Oral Presentations with self-analysis by rubric and/or transcriptions</td>
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<td>Authentic Speech Analysis; Supra-Segmentals (stress, rhythm, intonation)</td>
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### Learning Environment/Type

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### Resource Material(s):

Resources are items in addition to tuition that the student is responsible for purchasing. Course resource information will be supplied by the department/instructor.
Course Topics:

1. Word Stress and Vowel Reduction
2. Sentence Level Stress and Unstress | Rhythm and Processes of Connected Speech
3. Intonation
4. Contrastive Analysis
5. Strategies and techniques specific to improvements in pronunciation, fluency, delivery and listening in advanced level English

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To find out how this course transfers, visit the BC Transfer Guide at www.bctransferguide.ca.

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