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ELSK 1007: IELTS Academic Preparation - Intensive

EFFECTIVE DATE

May 2021

DEPARTMENT

ESL Pathways

DESCRIPTION

IELTS (International English Language Testing System) is an internationally established English Language proficiency test that is required for a number of VCC programs. Students will learn test-taking strategies and practice completing IELTS Academic tasks in order to achieve an IELTS 6.5 - 7.0 score in listening, speaking, reading and writing.

CREDITS

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YEAR OF STUDY

ESL Course

PREREQUISITES

CLB 7 or equivalent, or department approval

COREQUISITES

None

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Describe the IELTS test format and band levels.
- Apply test-taking strategies for success on the IELTS Academic.
- Use strategies to identify and develop vocabulary necessary for IELTS Academic
- Use strategies to identify and develop grammar necessary for IELTS Academic

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT & RECOGNITION (PLAR)

None

HOURS

Lecture: 40

INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES

lecture, demonstration, test simulation, pair and group discussion, and self-study modules through a Learning Management System

GRADING SYSTEM

Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

PASSING GRADE

S (60%)

EVALUATION PLAN

Type	Percentage	Assessment activity
Assignments	35	Reading and Writing assignments
Assignments	35	Listening and Speaking assignments
Quizzes/Tests	20	Complete practice tests
Participation	10	Active class involvement

COURSE TOPICS

- - IELTS Test and Format
 - Test-taking strategies
 - IELTS Band Levels
- Listening:
 - chart and table completion
 - classification, matching, selecting from a list
 - completing true and false, multiple choice, short answer, and sentence completion questions
- Speaking:
 - providing basic and personal information
 - preparing and delivering 1-2 minute presentation
 - responding to questions/prompts using description, comparison, argument, opinion

- Reading:
 - skimming, scanning
 - understanding inferences, main ideas and opinions
 - completing true and false, multiple choice, short answer, and sentence completion questions
- Writing:
 - analysis of writing samples at appropriate band levels
 - describing a chart, graph, or table
 - writing to give an opinion or make a comparison
 - making notes and summarizing

LEARNING RESOURCES

None

Notes:

- Course contents and descriptions, offerings and schedules are subject to change without notice.
- Students are required to follow all College policies including ones that govern their educational experience at VCC. Policies are available on the VCC website at:
<https://www.vcc.ca/about/governance--policies/policies/>.
- To find out how this course transfers, visit the BC Transfer Guide at <https://www.bctransferguide.ca>.

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