

101-2 Preliminary Syllabus, Da-Yeh Univ

Information			
Title	高級英語聽力與口語(二)D1	Serial No. / ID	0379 / CDC0391
Dept.	共同教學中心	School System / Class	大學日間部9年3班
Lecturer	倪淑芳	Full or Part-time	專任
Required / Credit	Required / 1	Graduate Class	NO
Time / Place	(二)34 / J317	Language	Chinese

Introduction

The goal of this course is to improve your conversational ability through intensive listening and speaking practice. The conversational activities will involve persuasive and informative speaking, and will be done either individually or in groups. The listening practice you will do on your own, using courseware available online through the school ' s website. The listening materials will stress professional English and practical vocabulary development.

Outline

The course will be divided into to parts: conversational activities and self-access listening practice. The conversational work will be divided into units based on the course theme, how to raise and educate children. Each unit will include one major speaking activity. In Unit 1, together with a small group of students you will do an informative presentation on a chosen aspect of teaching or parenting. In Unit 2, you will give an individual persuasive speech presenting your viewpoint on a question related to teaching or parenting. In Unit 3, you will illustrate your ideas by performing a mini-drama with a small group of students. Unit 4 will be a team debate on the persuasive speech topic. To help you prepare for these speaking activities, we will do some shorter speaking exercises using the equipment and software in J317 for this purpose. The speaking activities are designed to help you express your own ideas in English.

Most of the listening practice you will do outside of class. The English Department sets aside two hours every week in Room J415-1 for you to practice listening using online materials. You can also use the online system at home during your free time. I will give you lists of vocabulary that occur frequently in the listening materials. It is your job to do the listening and vocabulary practice on your own. You need to practice regularly to improve your listening ability. During class, we will have regular quizzes to test your progress in listening and vocabulary. The school ' s online practice system automatically saves information on your listening scores and the time you spend doing online practice. I will use this information to compute your “ effort ” score, which will be 28% of your course grade.

All Listening and Speaking students are expected to take part in the Listening Contest held by the Language Teaching Center each semester. Depending on the policies of the English Department, there may be other special events required of students in this course. Participation in these events will affect your course attendance grade.

The schedule for this course is quite demanding. We will have many quizzes and graded conversation activities. We will not have separate midterm and final exams. Instead, the midterm exam grade will be based on the quizzes and

graded conversations during the first part of the semester. The final grade will be based on the quizzes and graded conversations in the second part of the semester. We may use the midterm and final exam days to complete unfinished quizzes.

During class meetings, please observe the following rules.

- - Do not miss class without an excuse. If you skip more than 30% of the class, you will be excluded from the final exam and get 0 for the final exam. Note that getting an excuse means two things. First, you need to apply for an excuse using the school ' s online system. Second, you need to obtain my approval. I may reject the application if the request is unreasonable.
- - Use the computers and equipment in the computer labs for course activities only. If you use the computers for other purposes, you will be marked absent. (Feel free to use the computers for non-course purposes before class and during the 10 minute break between classes.)
- - Do not bring food or drink into the computer labs.
- - At the end of class, leave your computer / listening station as you found it. Turn off your computer and put the earphone back on the hook. Take all of your belongings with you. Do not leave unwanted items (such as papers or water bottles) in the lab.

Feel free to contact me during my office hours at J424-15, or by appointment at any other time.

Prerequisite

This course is designed for freshman English majors. No special background is required.