



Course Specification

(Bachelor)

Course Title:	English for Academic Purposes
Course Code:	ENGL 103
Program:	Bachelors (Humanities)
Department:	English Language Skills Department
College:	Common First Year
Institution:	King Saud University
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A. General information about the course:

1. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: (6)					
2. Course type					
A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> University	<input type="checkbox"/> College	<input type="checkbox"/> Department	<input type="checkbox"/> Track	<input type="checkbox"/> Others
B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Elective		
3. Level/year at which this course is offered: (Common First Year 2024-2025)					
4. Course general Description:					
<p>The aim of this Pre-Intermediate Plus course (A2 – B1) is to strengthen the four language areas and further develop students' listening and reading comprehension, spoken and written production and common communication strategies. Students will be able to identify the main points of listening and reading texts containing common vocabulary and recognize descriptions in narratives and events. Students will be able to initiate and interact in social exchanges and provide simple descriptions and explanations. Students will be able to construct connected text on familiar topics with some fluency and control.</p>					
5. Pre-requirements for this course (if any):					
None					
6. Co-requisites for this course (if any):					
None					
7. Course Main Objective(s):					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Follow and extract information in a wide range of listening and reading texts on familiar topics recognizing complex lines of arguments and viewpoints and take notes. 2. Identify the main points in a wide range of listening and reading passages, using stated evidences and inferences to draw conclusions. 3. Follow complex discourse on a range of topics to identify relationships within ideas. 4. Initiate and engage in interactions and social exchanges with some fluency and spontaneity. 5. Actively partake in interactions and detailed discussions accounting for and sustaining personal views in familiar contexts. 					



6. Employ and effectively apply a range of communicative strategies to improve comprehension and extract meaning and information
7. Construct detailed texts on a range of familiar topics demonstrating orthographical control and control of complex grammatical structures.
8. Construct text conveying a particular point of view with supporting information.
9. Effectively give a rehearsed presentation on a familiar topic giving detailed explanations and reasons for plans and actions.

2. Teaching mode (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	84	74%
2	E-learning	30	26%
3	Hybrid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traditional classroom E-learning 		
4	Distance learning		

3. Contact Hours (based on the academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1.	Lectures	84
2.	Laboratory/Studio	
3.	Field	
4.	Tutorial	
5.	Others (specify) (Continuous Assessment + LMS)	30
Total		114

B. Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs), Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Code of CLOs aligned with program	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge and understanding			



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1.1	Build reading fluency and develop comprehension skills by means of authentic texts and excerpts from general and academic material.	K1	Monitoring comprehension and metacognition	Through a combination of classroom activities, textbook exercises, formative (midterm and final exams) and continuous assessments which are based on course-specific learning outcomes measuring mastery of the specific language and skills introduced.
1.2	Develop writing skills with an emphasis on the process of planning, revising and editing.	K2	Discussion of writing mechanics and proofreading.	
1.3	Introduce methods to narrate a story, describe experiences and events, and briefly explain processes in presentational contexts.	K3	Unit assignments	
1.4	Listen for information on familiar and general topics.	K4	Classroom discussion and presentation activities	
2.0	Skills			
2.1	Demonstrate digital and e-learning skills	S1	Classroom discussions, collaborative and autonomous learning	A combination of classroom activities and homework that reinforce students' ICT skills. Continuous Assessment & LMS
2.2	Demonstrate basic research skills	S2		
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3.0	Values, autonomy, and responsibility			
3.1	Exhibit taking responsibility for completion of set tasks	V1	Imposition of class attendance rules promotes punctuality while teaching through a range of interactional patterns develops interpersonal skills	The assessment of homework, including the e-learning component, encourages responsibility and cultivates
3.2	Avoidance of plagiarism and production of original work	V2		



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			and communication on various levels. Homework task completion and Educational Technology promotes autonomous learning and increases responsibility in learners.	time management skills. Greater credit is given to original work with mistakes than error-free plagiarized work in their assigned projects.
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C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
Q:Skills for Success Level 3 Reading & Writing Skills		
	Unit 1: Sociology	Approximately 7 – 9 hours of class work per unit + 2 hours of online practice
	Unit 2: Nutritional Science	
	Unit 3: Information Technology	
	Unit 4: Marketing	
	Unit 5: Psychology	
	Unit 6: Neurology	
	Unit 7: Economics	
	Unit 8: Behavioral Studies	
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D. Students Assessment Activities

No	Assessment Activities *	Assessment timing (in week no)	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1.	Mid-term exam	Week 7 - 8	30%
2.	Final exam	Week 15-16	40%
3.	Continuous Assessment	Weeks 5, 6, 9, 11, 12	20%



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4.	LMS Assignments	Weeks 7 and 13	10%

*Assessment Activities (i.e., Written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)



E. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. References and Learning Resources

Essential References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ward, C., Gramer, M. (2021). <i>Q:Skills 3 Third Special Edition, Reading and Writing Skills (OUP)</i>. Craven, M., Sherman, K.D. (2021). <i>Q:Skills 3 Third Special Edition, Listening and Speaking Skills (OUP)</i>.
Supportive References	<i>Extended reading materials in the LMS.</i>
Electronic Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Learning Management System- LMS/Blackboard (www.lms.ksu.edu.sa)</i> <i>CFY Website (www.cfy.ksu.edu.sa)</i>
Other Learning Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Edtech Resources (quizzes, smartnotebooks, socrative tests, etc.)</i> <i>TubeCFY (www.youtube.com/user/TubePYD)</i>

2. Required Facilities and equipment

Items	Resources
facilities (Classrooms, laboratories, exhibition rooms, simulation rooms, etc.)	Standard classroom spacious enough for 20 – 50 students.
Technology equipment (projector, smart board, software)	E-podium Smartboard Projector
Other equipment (depending on the nature of the specialty)	Students personal device & internet connection

F. Assessment of Course Quality

Assessment Areas/Issues	Assessor	Assessment Methods
Effectiveness of teaching	Line Managers/PD Team	Direct
Effectiveness of students assessment	Assessment Committee	Direct
Quality of learning resources	Students, Faculty	Direct - Indirect
The extent to which CLOs have been achieved	Students, Faculty, Program Leaders	Direct - Indirect
Other		

Assessor (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)



G. Specification Approval Data

COUNCIL /COMMITTEE	ELSD COUNCIL
REFERENCE NO.	1
DATE	22 August 2024

