



**Course Title:** EFL 112 Basic Conversation

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**Schedule:** Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00pm

**Duration:** May 7<sup>th</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup> , 2019

**Room:** Lab2 C600b

**English Level:** Beginner

Note: If this is your **first time** to take a course with us please take the placement test. The placement test can be taken here: <https://goo.gl/forms/0lo7HVNOSQnluMdt1>

**Course Components:**

**This course will use *Stretch 1* as a text. In this semester, we plan to cover Units 10-12 (pages 62-79).**

**Vocabulary:** Vocabulary will include words used for speaking about cities, music and travel plans.

**Grammar:** Grammar topics for this semester focus on wh- questions with the past of **be**, invitations and suggestions, future plans with **be going to** and **might**.

**Speaking:** This class is focused on speaking. Expect to spend 50% of the time in class communicating in English with your peers. Skills in focus for this semester include showing surprise, accepting and declining invitations, and showing enthusiasm.

**Listening:** Listening skills will be developed using authentic conversations and audio-visual materials to gather overall ideas and specific information. Students will learn the skills of listening for descriptions, opinions and plans.

**Reading and writing:** Reading comprehension abilities will be enhanced through a variety of exercises focusing primarily on English materials. Students will receive guided practice for showing the order of events, scanning, editing and revising.

**Presenting:** Participants' will learn the skills of using rhetorical questions, focusing their presentations and using repetition. They will present on a city they want to visit, a music venues and a vacation destination.