



Course Title: EFL 308 Advanced English Grammar and Communication Skills

Instructor: Margaret Howell

Schedule: Mondays and Wednesdays at 11:00

Duration: May 7th – July 31st, 2019

Room: Lab2 C600b

English Level: Upper Intermediate

Course Components:

This course will use *Oxford English Grammar Course: Advanced* as a text. In this semester we plan to cover the first five sections of the book (pages 2-77)

Grammar: Explicit and systematic grammar instruction are provided throughout the course, with ample opportunities for both written and spoken practice. Particular attention will focus on basic sentence types with negatives, questions, imperatives and exclamations; forms of the verbs be, have, and do; present and future tenses; past and perfect tenses; and modal verbs.

Speaking/Listening: Students will hear grammar in authentic contexts through a variety of activities, and will use the learned grammar to produce their own, grammatically-correct speech utterances. Some speaking drills will be used to reinforce difficult grammar points.

Reading/Writing: Reading and writing activities will be assigned as needed to reinforce the grammar topics of the lessons. However, since this course focuses on the explicit teaching of grammar, do not expect a lot of reading or writing.

Assessment plan: Homework will be assigned in every class, through eFront. There will be two in-class quizzes and a final test. Students will be evaluated on their test scores as well as their active participation during class activities. Attendance and class participation are essential to success in this course.

Use of eFront: Since this class involves detailed explanation of grammatical structures, eFront will be used to store class materials, homework assignments, additional grammar explanations and updated schedules. If students must miss a class, they should use eFront to print their homework and all materials from the missed class.