De Anza College Office of Institutional Research and Planning

To: Gregory Anderson, Instructor

From: Mallory Newell, De Anza Research

Date: 4/5/2011

Subject: De Anza College Student Success in ESL Courses

ESL Optional Course Pattern ESL252 (Reading) ESL 253 (Writing) ESL 251 (Speaking) ESL 262 (Reading) ESL 263 (Writing) ESL 261 (Speaking) ESL 272 (Reading) ESL 273 (Writing) ESL 5 (college level)

Success rates for students enrolled in ESL 5, 273, 272, 263, 262, 261, 253, 252, and 251 were calculated for 2009-10.

The results show:

• ESL 5 has the highest success rate (90%) and ESL 252 has the lowest success rate (80%), but still considered a high success rate.

Success rates for ESL 5 based on students' highest ESL course in which they completed were also calculated.

The results show:

• Students who started in either the ESL 270 series, the 260 series, or the 250 series had about the same success rates (over 90%) as students who did not take an ESL course previously.

To examine whether student success rates were affected if they specifically took ESL 251, or ESL 261 (speaking courses) prior to ESL 5, those course were separated out.

The results show:

 There is no variation in success rates if students started in either ESL 251 or ESL 261 (both 94% success) and then took ESL 5.

To explore whether success rates were different if a student took any ESL course prior to taking EWRT 1A instead of ESL 5, these students were identified.

The results show:

• Overall success rates were lower in EWRT 1A than ESL 5, although students who took an ESL course prior to enrolling in EWRT 1A did better than students who did not take an ESL course previously.

De Anza Student Success in ESL Courses 2009-2010

	Success		Non Success		Withdraw		Total	
	Grades	Row Percent	Grades	Row Percent	Grades	Row Percent	Grades	Row Percent
ESL 005.	385	90%	24	6%	19	4%	428	100%
ESL 273.	407	78%	95	18%	20	4%	522	100%
ESL 272.	425	79%	87	16%	25	5%	537	100%
ESL 263.	491	82%	71	12%	37	6%	599	100%
ESL 262.	486	78%	98	16%	37	6%	621	100%
ESL 261.	501	86%	49	8%	30	5%	580	100%
ESL 253.	434	82%	66	12%	32	6%	532	100%
ESL 252.	439	80%	70	13%	39	7%	548	100%
ESL 251.	492	85%	55	9%	34	6%	581	100%

Success = A, B, C, P, Non Success = D, F, NP, Withdraw = W

De Anza Success in ESL 5 Based on Highest ESL Course Completed

Success		Non Success		Witho	Irew	Total		
	Grades	Percent	Grades	Percent	Grades	Percent	Grades	Percent
	21	95%			1	5%	22	100%
	10	91%			1	9%	11	100%
	25	93%	1	4%	1	4%	27	100%
	53	95%	2	4%	1	2%	56	100%

No other ESL course ESL 272/273 ESL 262/263/261 ESL 252/253/251

Students enrolled in ESL 5 in fall 2009 who were enrolled in ESL 272, 273, 263, 261, 262, 252, 253, 251 anytime in the three previous years. Includes highest course completed prior to ESL 5.

Success in ESL 5 Based on Completing ESL 251 or 261

_	Success		Non Success		Withdrawl		Total	
	Grades	Percent	Grades	Percent	Grades	Percent	Grades	Percent
Took ESL 251	44	94%	2	4%	1	2%	47	100%
Took ESL 261	62	94%	3	5%	1	2%	66	100%

Students enrolled in ESL 5 in fall 2009 who were enrolled in ESL 251 or 261 anytime in the three previous years.

De Anza Success in EWRT 1A Based on Highest ESL Course Completed

	Success		Non Success		Withdraw		Total	
	Students	Percent	Students	Percent	Students	Percent	Students	Percent
ESL 252/253/251	56	100%					56	100%
ESL 262/263/261	36	88%	3	7%	2	5%	41	100%
ESL 272/273	6	100%					6	100%
No previous ESL course	990	82%	113	9%	109	9%	1212	100%

Students enrolled in EWRT 1A in fall 2009 who were enrolled in ESL 272, 273, 263, 261, 262, 252, 253, 251 anytime in the three previous years. Includes highest coures completed prior to EWRT 1A.