

Tutoring at the Listening and Speaking Center

OVERVIEW

The Listening and Speaking Center (LSC) offers ½ hour, one-on-one tutoring for all DeAnza College students. Students simply sign up for an appointment and come back at that time. **Students are limited to signing up once a day and no more than twice a week.** We ask that students who make an appointment do their best to show up as it is unfair to other students who are unable to sign up because there are no available times.

As you will later read in the statistics section, students ask for help for many different reasons such as conversation practice, word pronunciation, vocabulary building, preparation for a presentation, etc.

TUTOR DUTIES (other than tutoring)

Call ahead of time if you cannot make your tutor appointments so that we can call your tutees to let them know that their appointment has been cancelled.

Use the **log sheet** to enter information about each tutor session. We use this information for our statistics, which helps us get a sense of our students' needs.

Use the **appointment sheet** to check off students who attend their appointments and to indicate a "NS" for those students who do not attend. Again, this is for the purposes of our statistics.

LSC RESOURCES

Recording Rooms: Students can use the center to practice their presentations and get feedback from their peers.

ESL Software: Students can improve English communication and writing skills using different interactive software programs (please read the ESL Software Description).

Workshops: Students can practice conversation, learn idioms, popular songs, and improve their vocabulary.

Language Exchange: Students can improve their English while helping other students learn their first language.

Books: there are a lot of dictionaries for ESL learners in the Tutoring corner. Tutors can also use textbooks – *Grammar in Context*, *Basic English Grammar*, *Two-word Verbs in English*, and many other books.

Websites: There is a wealth of material waiting for students wanting to practice their English online at <http://faculty.deanza.edu/iffmaryanne/>. Students should click on *Educational resources*, *Listening Practice Sites* or *Vocabulary & Idioms*.

STATISTICS

The following is an approximate number of times students signed up for tutoring for different reasons in the fall'09 quarter:

Pronunciation	- 25%	Listening	- 3%
Conversation	- 24%	Vocabulary	- 3%
Reading	- 15%	Writing	- 3%
Grammar	- 10%	Assignments	- 2%
Presentation	- 8%	Summary	- 2%
Interview	- 4%	Other	- 1%