

Deanza College • Spring 2025
High Intermediate Listening and Speaking
ESL 251 Section 03 • CRN: 49327
ESL 451 Section 03 • CRN: 49328
Wednesday • 12:30 – 2:20 pm • L33

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Wednesday 12:00-12:30 L33	
Tuesday 1:00-1:30 L33	

For virtual office hours, first **text me** to let me know you need a meeting, then we can select a method (email, voice call, Facetime, WhatsApp, or Zoom). I am also available by appointment.

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

ESL 251 (a two-unit credit course) and ESL 451 (an equivalent noncredit course) is a high-intermediate listening and speaking class designed to increase your listening comprehension in a variety of contexts, to improve your speaking skills with the development of vocabulary appropriate in both formal and informal situations, and to improve your note-taking ability. Students taking 451 are expected to follow the policies that are required for 251 students.

II. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Demonstrate understanding of essential points of discussions or speeches on selected topics.
- Recognize and demonstrate level-appropriate spoken American English in class discussions and speeches on selected topics.

III. COURSE CONTENT: We will listen to audio lectures, take notes, and answer comprehension questions in class and for homework. Some homework will be written and some voice recorded. Students will engage in speaking activities, conduct interviews. Additionally, students must complete extra Listening and/or Speaking Practice. See Assignment handout for complete instructions.

IV. ATTENDANCE: In a listening and speaking class, attendance and participation are required. You are expected to attend all class meetings. For courses meeting only once a week, students should not miss more than one class during the entire quarter. Students will not receive any points on missed class days. If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to submit the assignments on time and come to the next class prepared. You may be dropped from the course if you have excessive absences. You may find it helpful to get the names and contact information of two classmates. However, you are not required to give this information to anyone. If you drop the class, **it's your responsibility to drop online or you will receive an "F"**.

V. GRADING POLICY:

Worksheets

15

A+

A

A-

Summary Assignments	15	97 – 100	93 - 96	90 - 92
Interviews	15			
Test / Quiz (Assessments)	20	B+	B	B-
Notes	10	87 – 89	83 – 86	80 - 82
Discussion Group Grade	5			
Conversation Partner or Workshops	10	C+	C	F
Participation & Collaboration	10	77 – 79	73 – 76	72 or Below

VI. OTHER POLICIES: In order to pass this class, you must receive a score of at least 73% on your final exam. Additionally, you must receive a minimum score of 60% on every aspect of the course. This means you **MUST** participate either in Workshops or CCP.

English Only must be spoken at all times.

VII. SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES (& SUPPORT SERVICES)

1. Free English Conversation Workshops in person at the [Student Success Center](#) ATC 313 or on Zoom. Register at www.deanza.edu/studentsuccesslsc
2. Individual tutoring is available on [NetTutor](#) via (Canvas) or at the [Student Success Center](#) <http://www.deanza.edu/studentsuccess/onlinetutoring>
3. [Cross-Cultural Partners](#) (CCP) Program for additional speaking practice with a fellow De Anza student.
4. Any student who feels they may need accommodation based on the impact of a physical or learning disability should contact me privately to discuss your specific needs and apply for the [Disability Support Services \(DSS\)](#) for support.
5. If you do not have a laptop, you may be able to receive a refurbished one from this site. https://www.deanza.edu/oti/computer_scholar.html
6. If you need financial assistance, please contact **Lisa Mandy**, director of Financial Aid and Scholarships, at mandylisa@deanza.edu
7. If you are feeling stressed or depressed, <https://www.deanza.edu/resources/timely.html> is a 24/7 resource offering free mental health assistance to registered students..
8. If you wish to use a nickname (or English name) on unofficial documents including class rosters, go to: <https://www.deanza.edu/admissions/name.html>

VIII. STUDENT CONDUCT: DeAnza College will enforce all policies and procedures set forth in the *Standards of Student Conduct* (See catalog).

Except for pair and group assignments, all assignments must be done **by yourself**. You are expected to collaborate equally for pair and group work. Any form of cheating will **NOT** be tolerated in any case, and it will lead to an **automatic F** for that assignment, exam, or quiz and possibly even for the course. Repeat offenders will be reported to DeAnza Administration for disciplinary action.

Cheating includes, but is not limited to:

- Copying from another student's homework, quiz, or exam.
- Having someone else do your assignment and submitting it as your own.
- Getting "too much help" from someone on an assignment where the work no longer looks like your own.
- Giving your Homework to someone else or helping cheat in any way. Note helping another student cheat will also be an automatic F and is also a reportable offense.
- Turning in work generated by AI.
- Copying any amount of material from a published source, including books or the Internet without giving credit to the original author is **PLAGIARISM** and is considered a serious crime. Any student caught plagiarizing may be dropped from the course.
- Searching anything on Google or any other online platform during tests.

All speeches must be recorded using your own writer's voice as well as your own speaking voice.

IX. DATES TO REMEMBER:

Last day to add	Sun.	04/20
Last day to drop without a "w"	Sun.	04/20
Memorial Day Holiday (no class)	Mon.	05/26
Last day to drop with a "w"	Fri.	05/30
Final Examination	11:30 – 1:30 pm	Wed. 6/25