Course Prefix and Number: ESL 32  
Credits: 6

Course Title: Reading I

Course Description: Helps students improve their reading comprehension and vocabulary development. Improves students' reading proficiency to a level which would allow the students to function adequately in ESL 42. Credits are not applicable toward graduation. Prerequisite: Recommendation of department following satisfactory completion of ESL 20 or appropriate placement test. Lecture 6 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: To improve students’ reading proficiency to a level that would allow the students to function adequately in ESL 42.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisite: Recommendation of department following satisfactory completion of ESL 20 or appropriate placement test

Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to read materials, both fiction and non-fiction, appropriate for the intermediate level proficiency to:

a. Identify topics, main ideas, and supporting details;
b. Preview texts and make predictions;
c. Skim and scan for specific purposes;
d. Locate transition words signaling text organization;
e. Summarize content (with guidance);
f. Use contextual clues to understand new vocabulary;
g. Expand vocabulary;
h. Increase reading speed;
i. Use mono-lingual dictionary for definition and word form; and
j. Locate pronoun referents in text.

Major Topics to Be Included:

a. Previewing texts
b. Skimming
c. Scanning
d. Identifying main ideas and support details
e. Building vocabulary skills through use of context clues
f. Increasing reading speed
g. Using a mono-lingual dictionary

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: September 3, 2015