

ENG/GEN1100 Academic English Speaking

Code

ENG/GEN1100

Title

Academic English Speaking

Prerequisites

Academic Listening and Note Taking

Credits

3

Description

The Academic Speaking course develops students' skills and confidence in speaking argumentatively on a variety of academic topics in the areas of Humanities, Business Studies and the Social Sciences. Students will be expected to undertake secondary research on their chosen topics and thereby develop their ability to use resources appropriately and ethically. Being engaged analytically and in-depth with their topics, students offer constructive criticism of one another's speeches. Critical and analytical thinking will be emphasized at all times. Through regular speeches, analysis, and peer as well as instructor feedback on their research and ultimately on their topics, students will improve their language proficiency and ability to argue effectively and persuasively within an academic context, and to handle evidence and statistical data. Class activities will take the form of discussions and speeches.

Objectives

The core objectives of the course are to:

- Develop students' ability to argue, evaluate, discuss, analyze the information from secondary sources
- Develop students' skills and confidence in speaking informatively and persuasively on a variety of academic topics in the areas of Humanities, Business Studies, and the Social Sciences
- Familiarize students with the basics of academic speaking theory related to argumentation (e.g. structure, appeals, fallacies) and delivery
- Advance students' competence to undertake secondary research on their chosen topics, handling evidence and statistical data from sources appropriately and ethically
- Analyze and provide constructive criticism of their own and recorded speeches

Outcomes

On completion of this course the students will be able to:

- Produce clear ideas and supported arguments on a variety of academic topics by synthesizing information from secondary sources
- Give a variety of speeches (ice-breaker speech, informative and persuasive) on a variety of academic topics in the areas of Humanities, Business Studies, and the Social Sciences
- Speak with effective argument and delivery within an academic context to produce clear, smoothly flowing, well-structured speech, showing competent use of organizational patterns, connectors, and cohesive devices
- Clearly and effectively formulate ideas with support from secondary research in activities such as extemporaneous and impromptu speaking based on analyzed materials with support from speaking notes and outlines
- Provide constructive criticism through analysis and evaluation of their own and recorded speeches

Assessment

60 % -first and second assessments

40 % -final assessment

Tentative course outline

Week1

Organization of sociological research and use of its methods
Class introductions
Delivery of Ice-Breaker speech
Preparation for Ice- Breaker speech
Discussion of the features of academic spoken English
Introduction to Delivery of Ice-Breaker speech
Watching and analysis of samples of Ice-breaker speeches
Watching and analysis of samples of Ice-breaker speeches
Delivery of ice- breaker speech

Week2

Socialization and identity
Extemporaneous informative speech
Introduction to Delivery of Ice-Breaker speech
Watching and analysis of samples of informative (demonstration/explanatory) speeches
Reading articles on the topic of the week and taking notes in Speaking notebook
Discussion and analysis of informative (demonstration/explanatory) speech examples
Introduction to the requirements of the Speaking notebook
Reading articles on the narrowed aspect of the topic of the week "Socialization and identity" and taking notes in Speaking notebook
analysis of informative Speaking notebook on the topic "Socialization and identity" 7 assignment
Practice in speech introductions (language, thesis statement; attention getters/hooks; credibility of materials) (demonstration/explanation) speech
Choosing a topic for the midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech

Week3

Family in the modern world
Extemporaneous informative speech
Practice in outlining the informative speech on the selected topic
Analysis of samples of informative speeches outlines
Oral citation for academic speaking
Preparation for speech on the selected topic
Analysis of the samples of informative speeches
Practice in application of delivery techniques
Analysis of samples of informative speeches (delivery)
Oral citation for academic speaking
Preparation for speech on the selected topic (outline)
Choosing a topic for the Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech

Week4

Crime Extemporaneous informative speech Practice in application of delivery techniques Analysis of samples of informative speeches (delivery) Reading articles on the topic of the week and taking notes in Speaking notebook Choosing a topic for the Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech Presentation of the proposal for Midterm 1 individual extemporaneous informative speech topic In-class practice informative speech 1 on the selected/narrowed topic Introduction to rhetorical devices Practice in application of delivery techniques Analysis of samples of informative speeches (delivery) Reading articles on the topic of the week and taking notes in Speaking notebook Reading articles on the chosen topic for Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech In-class practice informative speech 1 on the selected/narrowed topic

Week5

Religion and society Extemporaneous informative speech Practice in application of delivery techniques Self-analysis and peer evaluation of practice Reading articles on the topic of the week and taking notes in Speaking notebook on the topic of the week 8 speeches notebook Reading articles on the chosen Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech topic Practice outlining and giving in-class speeches Self-analysis and peer evaluation of practice speeches Reading articles on the chosen Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech topic Preparation for the speech on the topic Outline for Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech

Week6

Culture and society Extemporaneous informative speech Practice outlining and giving in-class speeches Self-analysis and peer evaluation of practice speeches In-class practice informative speech 2 on the selected/narrowed topic Refining the speech outline Self-analysis and peer evaluation of practice speeches In-class practice informative speech 2 on the selected/narrowed topic

Week7

Education and social inequality Midterm 1 Extemporaneous informative speech Delivery of Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech Midterm 1 Extemporaneous informative speech Delivery of Midterm 1 extemporaneous informative speech

Week8

Mass media & technology and society Extemporaneous persuasive speech Review Midterm 1 speeches Introduction to argumentation Introduction to organizational pattern of persuasion: Direct Method Introduction to speech outlining with direct method of persuasion Reading articles on the topic of the week to fill out the Speaking notebook Introduction to organizational pattern of persuasion: Direct Method Introduction to speech outlining with direct Reading articles on the topic of the week to fill out the Speaking notebook method of persuasion

Week9

Mass media & technology and society Extemporaneous persuasive speech Introduction to persuasion techniques Observation and analysis of samples of persuasive speeches In-class application of persuasive techniques Observation and analysis of samples of persuasive speeches Reading articles on the topic of the week to fill out the Speaking notebook Choosing a topic for the Midterm 2 persuasive speech Reading articles on the chosen Midterm 2 persuasive speech topic to find arguments for and against Presentation of the proposal for Midterm 2 Persuasive speech Analysis of samples of persuasive speeches

Week10

Economic development Extemporaneous persuasive speech In-class practice in giving persuasive speech 1 Reading articles on the chosen Midterm 2 persuasive speech topic to find arguments for and against Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches Extemporaneous persuasive speech In-class practice in giving persuasive speech 1 Reading articles on the chosen Midterm 2 persuasive speech topic to find arguments for and against Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches Practice in giving persuasive speech 1 Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches Filling in the Speaking notebook with the required info on the topic of the week (See the template.) Practice in giving persuasive speech 1

Week11

Population & urbanization Extemporaneous persuasive speech Introduction to the organizational pattern of persuasion: Problem- Cause-Solution Method Introduction to speech outlining with Problem- Cause-Solution method of persuasion Preparation for Midterm 2 persuasive speech Observation and analysis of samples of persuasive speeches (Problem and Solution) Preparation for Midterm 2 persuasive speech Analysis of the samples of persuasive speeches (Problem and Solution)

Week12

Social changes Extemporaneous persuasive speech In-class practice in giving persuasive speech 2 Preparation for Midterm 2 persuasive speech Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches Practice in giving persuasive speech 2 Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches In-class practice in giving persuasive speech 2 Preparation for Midterm 2 persuasive speech Practice in giving persuasive speech 2 Self-analysis and peer-evaluation of persuasive speeches

Week13

Midterm 2 extemporaneous persuasive speech Preparation for Final Impromptu Speech: reading articles given by the teacher and taking notes in Speaking notebooks Midterm 2 extemporaneous persuasive speech Preparation for Final Impromptu Speech: reading articles given by the teacher and taking notes in Speaking notebooks Final Impromptu Speech

Week14

Preparation for Final Impromptu Speech Preparation for Final Impromptu Speech: reading articles given by the teacher and taking notes in Speaking notebooks Final Impromptu Speech

Week15

