ESL 6B and 6C Fall 2013

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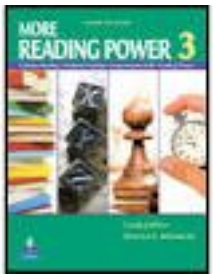
ESL 6B **Reading and Vocabulary** (#0251) Tues/Thur 8: 55am – 10:20am CSB-203
ESL 6C **Listening and Speaking** (#0252) Tues/Thur 10:35am – 12:00pm CSB-203

Final exam for this ESL course will be on Tuesday, Dec. 10th 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

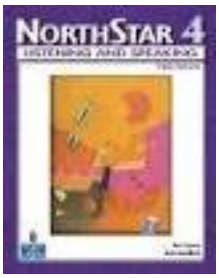
Students must enroll in both sections. Students must be able to attend BOTH days for the entire semester from beginning (8:55 am) to end (12:00 pm). In **ESL 6B,** students will develop college reading skills with special emphasis on development of vocabulary and analytical thinking skills. In **ESL 6C**, students will improve listening skills especially as regards to comprehension of lectures and communication where there are few contextual clues. Students will also improve their oral skills in order to participate more effectively in the classroom

Prerequisites: ESL 5B and 5C, or appropriate placement.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:



More Reading Power 3
(Third Edition)
by Linda Jeffries & Beatrice Mikulecky
Pearson/Longman (2012)
ISBN #978-0-13-208903-6



NorthStar:Listening and Speaking Level 4
(textbook & **MyNorthStarLab****)
by Tess Ferree & Kim Sanabria
Pearson/Longman(2009)
ISBN #978-0-13-205715-8

**Students will be doing work on-line through the MyNorthStarLab website. Students must have an access code, which comes with their textbook. If you purchase a textbook that does not have an access code, you will need to purchase an access code from the bookstore. We will go to the computer lab to learn how to access the program. There will be homework assigned, so you will need to have access to a computer at home, or use a computer in the Learning Center.

MyNorthStarLab COURSE ID #: CRSKLUH-6013214

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Recommended: Longman's Dictionary of American English or Oxford ESL Dictionary AND/OR a good bilingual dictionary

inZONE Books: Students will also be required to read one book at home throughout the semester. Books will be checked out from the library the second week of class. We will have in-class group discussions of these books four times during the semester and an oral presentation of the books will be done at the end of the semester.

Student Learning Objectives for this course

ESL 6B: Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. recognize an author's point of view,
2. compare and relate content of one text to another and
3. understand nuances in vocabulary meaning.

ESL 6C: Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. give a formal presentation based on a previously developed outline, and
2. comprehend abstract topics presented without a visual context (e.g. lectures, broadcasts, podcasts).

Grading

This class is a credit/no credit class. Students will receive either pass (P) or not pass (N) for each course. No letter grade is given Students must have an average of 70% or higher to pass. Students must do the coursework, participate in class and pass the final exam to receive credit. Grades will be determined as follows:

Homework Exercises & Worksheets	20%
Participation and Effort in Class	10%
Quizzes	30%
Oral Presentations	20%
Final exam	20%
Total	100%

Homework

Homework assignments reinforce what has been taught in class. Homework is due at the beginning of the next class (or as assigned on the MyNorthStar Lab online website). **Late homework will receive half credit.** You will also have a reading book to read at home throughout the semester.

Classroom rules: No food or drinks are permitted in the classroom (except bottled water). I encourage you to bring a bottle of water to keep your brain hydrated! All cell phones must be on **silent** during class. Please step out of the classroom to answer **emergency** calls only. **No texting during class - it's rude and distracting.** Please be respectful of others and only speak **English** in class. (Please review the Standards of Student Conduct as listed in the College Catalog and in the Schedule of Classes for additional school rules and policies). Please note that only **registered students** may attend class - you may not bring your children or any other guests to class with you.

Academic Honesty: All work must be your own. **Do not copy** your homework, quizzes or other assignments from another person or any outside source. Do not copy from a book, the Internet, a magazine, newspaper, dictionary or another student. **Plagiarism** is defined as: *the act of using another person's words or ideas without giving credit to that person* and *claiming someone else's work as your own*. This is a serious offense in all schools. If you copy, cheat or plagiarize, you will automatically receive a zero on that assignment and could risk expulsion from the college.

Attendance: We have so much to learn this semester, and you are not going to want to miss any of it! Attendance and participation are crucial for learning. I will arrive early to class and be ready to begin at **8:55 am** and I expect you to arrive on time and stay for the entire class time, too. The college rule for attendance is: **after 6 hours of absence (=2 class days) you may be officially dropped from the course.** Arriving late to class, coming back late from the break, or leaving class early, are disruptive and distracting to the rest of the students.

Please schedule out-of-class appointments at times when class is not in session.

Dropping the Class: If you decide to drop the class, you must complete the proper paperwork with the Admissions office. If you simply stop coming to class, your name may remain on the roster and you will receive a "No Credit" for the class. This will show up on your transcript.
A new state policy in effect as of Summer 2012 limits students to **3 attempts per course**. Receiving a grade or "W" for a course counts as an attempt, **regardless of when the course was taken**. Withdrawal by Sep 8 (avoiding a "W") will not count as an attempt.

Learning Resource Center

If you need help or feedback while you are working on your assignments, visit **The Learning Center**, located on the 1st floor of the Library building. Tutors there will assist you in many areas: writing, reading, research, and homework assignments. The Learning Center is FREE for all students. Call 818-364-7754 to make AN APPOINTMENT or visit the Information Desk. Visit the Learning Center early each semester and use the FREE assistance throughout the term.
www.lamission.edu/learningcenter

Library: For information on library hours, resources, workshops, and other services contact 818-364-7105 or 364-7106 or http://www.lamission.edu/library

Disability Accommodation: Students with a verified disability who may need a reasonable accommodation(s) for this class are encouraged to notify the instructor and contact the DSPS Office as soon as possible. For appointments and information call (818) 364-7732 or visit http://www.lamission.edu/dsps/ All information will remain confidential.

Student Drop-In Hours

I will be in my office (Instr. Bldg. Rm 32) after class every Monday through Thursday from 12:15 to 1:30. If you need help with anything, have a question, or just want to say "hi!", please stop by! I look forward to getting to know each of you this semester! :-)

Tips for Success:

- Practice **English** outside of class! Read newspapers, magazines, books, and websites in **English**!! Listen to **English** radio stations!! Watch TV programs and DVDs in **English**!! (Turn on the subtitles in **English** and read along with the dialogue!) Talk to your friends in **English**!! The more effort you put in, the more successful you will be!!
- Attend class every day and on time. Don't leave early. Come prepared and participate.
- Get enough sleep at home so that you can come to class refreshed and alert. Eat a healthy breakfast and drink plenty of water throughout the day.
- Go to the Learning Center to work with the Writing Tutors and Reading lab.
- Go to the Learning Center and work on the "Focus on Grammar" program.
- Visit me during my "student drop-in hours". (I always have a bowl of chocolate!)

Important Dates for Fall 2013

Labor Day (college closed)	Monday, Sep 2
Instructor gone to a conference (no ESL 6BC)	Thursday, Oct. 10
Veteran's Day (college closed)	Monday, Nov 11
Thanksgiving (college closed)	Thurs & Fri, Nov 28 & 29
Last day to add a class	Friday, Sept. 6
Last day to drop with a refund	Sunday, Sept. 8
Last day to drop without a “W”	Sunday, Sept. 8
Last day to drop with a “W”	Friday, Nov. 17

Right now, get some phone numbers of classmates, so if you are absent you can find out what you missed in class and what the homework assignment is, or to schedule some time to get together and practice speaking English!

Name:_____ Phone #:_____Email_____

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ESL 6B & 6C Syllabus Agreement

I have read the syllabus and understand the class rules.

I understand that copying, plagiarism and cheating is not permitted on any assignment.
I understand that I will get a zero on any quiz or assignment on which I have cheated or copied from any source such as the internet, a smart phone, or another student.

I understand the attendance policy. If I miss four classes, I can be dropped from the class.

I understand that I am responsible to bring my textbooks and supplies to every class.

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Name

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Signature Date