

National Tsing Hua University
English II, Spring 2023
Syllabus

Course Code Number: LANG 102002

Class hours: Monday 08:00 am~09:50 pm

Classroom: 綜二館 R105

Credits: 2

Instructor & Contact Information:

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Course Goals / Description:

This course aims to enhance students' English ability and gradually guide students to cultivate self-learning skills during their studies at the university. Besides the required textbook, students should also utilize online learning resources to reinforce their listening/ reading abilities and enhance vocabulary. **A certain amount of time will be spent on sharpening students' dictation skills during the semester.**

Required Textbook:

John and Liz Soars. (2014) *American English File 4, 3rd Edition*. New York: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 978-0-19-477618-9

Requirements & Rules:

1. Class attendance, lesson preparation and active class participation are required.
 - * I will take attendance every week. If you need to be absent in case of uncontrollable situations (e.g. illness, emergency, important occasions, etc.), inform me **IN ADVANCE** and provide **the valid proof WITHIN ONE WEEK**. An approved leave form stamped by your department or your health insurance card with correct stamp of date by accredited hospitals can be seen as valid proof.
 - * **You are only allowed to ask for three leaves during the semester.** Otherwise, you will lose the 10% of attendance grade.
2. Absence from a class is no excuse for not knowing the assignment and what has been discussed in that class. **It is your responsibility to ask your classmates or me what has been covered in the class.**
3. Turn in assignments on time. Plagiarism on homework will result in an automatic zero on the assignment.
4. **Cheating** on the exam is **absolutely not permitted**. If students are found cheating on an exam, they will get **a zero point** for that exam.

5. There will be **no make-up exams** unless you have valid and official reasons for absence **beforehand**.
 6. Remember to **turn off** your **cell phone** during the two-hour class period.
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Grading:

1. Attendance and participation – 15%
 2. Midterm – 25%
 3. Group presentation – 10%
 4. Reflection journal – 5%
 5. Quizzes – 20
 6. Final exam – 25%
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Detailed Syllabus:

Week	Date	Topic	Assignments due
1	2/13	Course orientation + listening practice	
2	2/20	Unit 7A Let's not argue	self-introduction video
3	2/27	<i>Holiday: Peace Memorial Day</i>	
4	3/6	Unit 7A Let's not argue	
5	3/13	Unit 8A Cutting crime	
6	3/20	Unit 8A Cutting crime	
7	3/27	Unit 8B Fake news	
8	4/3	<i>Holiday: spring break</i>	
9	4/10	Unit 8B Fake news + Quiz 1	
10	4/17	Midterm Exam	
11	4/24	Unit 9A Good business?	
12	5/1	Unit 9A Good business?	
13	5/8	Unit 9B Big Cities	
14	5/15	Group presentations (1)	
15	5/22	Group presentations (2)	Self-evaluation form
16	5/29	Unit 10A Science facts, science fiction + Quiz 2	Self-evaluation form
17	6/5	Unit 10A Science facts, science fiction	
18	6/12	Final Exam	