National Tsing Hua University

Upper-Intermediate English III - Listening & Speaking

中高級英文三聽講, Fall Semester 2024 (113-1)

M34 Syllabus

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Course Information

Course Number	LANG 103013	Credits	2	Classroom	教 102
Class hours	☐ Monday ☐ Tuesd☐ 8:00A.M. — 9:50A.M	_	•	□ Thursday 2:00p.m.	⁄ □ Friday
學生身分別	■ 頂標生 □ 前標生 □ 中級生 □ 初級生				
加簽說明	■不開放人工加簽。	所有學生多	頁由選課	系統亂數選課	Ţ

Instructor & Contact Information

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University Student Core Competency Indicators

	1. The ability to communicate and express oneself in English	
25%	英語溝通與表達能力	
	2. The ability to think critically and organize ideas logically in English	
25%	深度分析與組織思考能力	
	3. The knowledge of English learning strategies and techniques	
25%	英語學習策略與技巧	
4. Global views of English and multicultural diversity		
15%	對英語與多元文化的國際視野	
10%	5. The ability to use existing English learning resources and development of	

independent self-learning habit	善用英語學習資源,培養獨立學習英
語的習慣能力	

Classroom Language	Classroom	Language
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English100	%	Mandarin	0	%
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Course Description

This course teaches students to use English for everyday scenarios and contexts such as school, social interactions, professional settings, and recreational activities. Throughout the course, students will be exposed to natural and practical spoken English adopted from textbook audio and video materials. With much attention to the processes of listening, students are expected to integrate the listening skills taught in each unit and develop a sequential repertoire of strategies to assist them in becoming overall strategic listeners. As for our speaking component, students will be provided with extensive opportunities to personalize the speaking skills they learn and draw from their own background of knowledge and experiences to articulate their thoughts and viewpoints clearly. Students participating in this course will collaborate either individually, in pairs, in groups, or as a whole class. The instructional activities include pre-to-post listening and speaking activities, information sharing and role-playing exercises to encourage real-time communication and practice.

Course Objectives

This goals of this course aim at stimulating students to share their ideas, opinions, and experiences with one another through class activities and group facilitations. Authentic scenarios seen or heard in university lectures, interviews, podcasts, and classroom discussions will act has thought-provoking contexts for students to discuss the main ideas, details, inferences, pronunciation, etc. and apply that information to a new situation. In addition, this course aids students in developing their fluency in English and building active listening and thinking skills by incorporating TED Talks. The main concern is to train students to speak and listen for meaning, for a purpose, and for realistic situations. This course will also build on the listening and oral skills learned before Freshman year to improve all-round confidence and competence.

Uniform Textbook

Christien Lee (2023) *21st Century Communication, Listening, Speaking, and Critical Thinking*. *2nd Ed*. Student Book 4. National Geographic Learning & Cengage Learning. ISBN: 978-0-357-85600-0

CEFR Scale: ■ B2-C1 □ B2 □ B1 □ A2+ □ A2

Online Learning Platform(s)

- 1. Online workbook MyELT National Geographic Learning (eltngl.com)
- 2. Class material site eeClass https://eeclass.nthu.edu.tw/

Declaration for Student Use of AI:

AI utilization for this course is conditionally open. You are encouraged to use AI for collaboration and mutual learning to facilitate your understanding the content, vocabulary, author's background, and themes of each short story. However, all oral and written assignments must not be AI generated.

Grading

1.	Attendance and participation	15%
2.	Listening Sessions & Quizzes	10%
3.	Individual Presentations	20%
4.	Course Facilitation on Self-Selected Unit	20%
5.	Final exam (mainly on listening & vocabulary) Textbook: 21st Century Communication, Listening, Speaking, and Critical Thinking Designated units #1, 6 & 7 (listening & vocabulary)	25%
6.	Speaking Exam	10%

Class Activities

- Lectures
- Assignments
- Unit quizzes
- Listening comprehension activities
- In-class (pair / group) discussion
- Student presentations
- Thought-provoking questions & discussion

Class Rules

- 1. Your attendance in class is required. The most significant aspect of your learning in this course requires attentive and engaged listening and active participation in a discursive community. Notify the instructor for your absence. ONE absence from class is granted to each student to account for genuine emergencies, but FIVE points will be deducted from the semester grade for each absence following the first occurrence. If you miss more than 4 classes, you will be asked to drop the course.
- 2. No cheating or plagiarism. If caught, you receive an unsatisfactory grade.
- 3. There will be no make-up exams unless you have valid and official reasons for absence beforehand.

- 4. The handouts I give you should be kept at least to the end of this semester for later reference or final exam.
- 5. Mobile devices are for educational purposes only.
- 6. No extra sign-ups are allowed after the class reaches maximum class limit. See Center for English Education for any inquiries.

Detailed Syllabus

Week	Date	Content Topic	Class Activities and Assignments
1.		Course introduction & Orientation	
2.			 6A: Building vocabulary; Definition matching; Discussion prompts 6B: Phone addiction listening practice & how to take notes HW: MyELT
			> 6C: Describing sequential events, frequency, and duration
3.		Unit 6 — Hooked on our	➤ 6D: Hooked on your phone? — Listening practice
J.		Phones?	> 6E: Building vocabulary; Definition matching;
			Discussion prompts
			> HW: MyELT and LS 1
			> 6F: TED Talk — Does Photographing a Moment
			Steal the Experience from You?
4.			> 6G: Critical thinking and speaking practice on
			people's rationale for travelling
			> HW: MyELT
			> 7A: Building vocabulary; Definition matching;
			Discussion prompts
5.			> 7B: Discussion on modern issues affecting
			adolescents [video] & note taking practice
			> HW: MyELT
		Unit 7 — Generations	> 7C: Communication skill — Responding to others
6.			properly/ Expressing your opinions
0.			> 7D: Generational concerns [Listening practice]
			> HW: MyELT & LS 3
7.			> 7E: Building vocabulary; Definition matching;
/ .			Discussion prompts

			
			> 7F: TED Talk — How Generational Stereotypes
			Hold Us Back at Work
			> 7G: Critical speaking — Millennials vs Generation
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			> HW: MyELT
			➤ 1A: Building vocabulary; Definition matching;
			Discussion prompts
			➤ 1B: Video and Notetaking: Pre-task, during-task, post-
8.			task viewing exercises
			➤ 1B: Note taking practice
			➤ HW: MyELT
			> 1C: Asking rhetorical questions
9.		Unit 1 — Reality Check	➤ 1D: Communicating ideas clearly
			➤ HW: MyELT and LS 2
			➤ 1E: Building vocabulary; Definition matching;
		Discussion prompts	
10.		> 1F: TED Talk — Fake Videos	
		> 1G: Recognizing fake content online	
			➤ HW: MyELT
1.1	In-class course		
11.		facilitations	➤ Group presentation on self-selected units
10		In-class course	
12.	facilitations		➤ Group presentation on self-selected units
12		In-class course	
13.	facilitations	➤ Group presentation on self-selected units	
1.4			Final exam and speaking exam review
14.		Course Review	➤ Quizzes Unit 1,6,7
15.		Final Speaking Exan	1
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16.		Final Exam (mainly l	listening & vocabulary)
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