

## National Tsing Hua University

中級選讀英文〔辦公室口語溝通/ Oral Communication at Workplace〕

Fall 2024



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| <b>Course Number</b>  | LANG 2000 _____   | <b>Credits</b> | 2 | <b>Classroom</b> | 請查閱校務資訊系統的課程資訊後填入 |
| <b>Class hours</b>    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monday <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> Friday<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1:20P.M. – 3:10P.M. <input type="checkbox"/> 3:30P.M. – 5:20P.M. <input type="checkbox"/> _____ P.M. – 5 _____ P.M.   |                |   |                  |                   |
| <b>Course Type</b>    | <input type="checkbox"/> EGP (English for general purposes) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EAP (English for academic purposes)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EOP (English for occupational purposes)  |                |   |                  |                   |
| <b>Language Level</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B1 (中級) <input type="checkbox"/> B1-B2 <input type="checkbox"/> B2 (中高級) <input type="checkbox"/> B2+ <input type="checkbox"/> C1   |                |   |                  |                   |
| <b>Core Ability</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> comprehension/reception <input type="checkbox"/> communication/interaction <input type="checkbox"/> production   |                |   |                  |                   |
| <b>可選課學生身分別</b>       | <input type="checkbox"/> 頂標生 <input type="checkbox"/> 前標生 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 中級生 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 初級生   |                |   |                  |                   |
| <b>Prerequisites</b>  | None  |                |   |                  |                   |
| <b>加簽說明</b>           | <input type="checkbox"/> 不開放人工加簽。所有學生須由選課系統亂數選課。<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 開放人工加簽__2__位學生。學生符合以下條件，得於第__1__週上課時，<br>向老師提出加簽申請。老師簽署申請表後，申請表送英語教育中心辦公室。由老師進行線上簽核。<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 條件 1：必須於第一週到課<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 條件 2：須有其他時段【選讀英語文】衝堂無法選課之證明（如選課紀錄或本學期所有科目課程表）<br><input type="checkbox"/> 條件 3：自所屬選課階段（大二生：第 1-2 次選課；大三、大四學生：第 3 次選課）起，亂數選課皆未選上（選上但退選者，不得以人工加簽再次選課）<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 條件 4：應屆畢業生<br><input type="checkbox"/> 條件 5：_____（如老師有其他加簽條件，請自行書寫）<br><br>提醒：學生修讀英文領域課程，請依本校規劃選課之修業年級選課。如因個人考量，未對應年級而逕自改於其他修業年級選課之英文領域課程，或指定加簽某特定課程，英語教育中心與任課教師將礙難配合或處理。 |                |   |                  |                   |

**Instructor & Contact Information:**

| Name      | Email                        | Office & Tel   | Office Hour    |
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**Course Aims / Description<sup>1</sup>**<sup>1</sup> 請參閱 Bloom's Taxonomy of Measurable Verbs。

## Primary aim

The aim of the course is to equip students with the essential skills needed for effective communication in an office environment. Students will be introduced to commonly used vocabulary, phrases, and idioms specific to various office scenarios. To enhance language acquisition and output, the course will feature role-play exercises and group projects. These activities, particularly role-play and presentations, will serve as key opportunities for students to actively use and practice the language. Students will also be expected to present their findings and articulate their opinions in a structured and professional manner, further reinforcing their language skills.

## Subsidiary aim

This course is designed to build students' professional manners, ethics, and English proficiency for effective workplace communication.

- (1) Students can understand and use professional vocabulary, phrases, and idioms common in office settings.
- (2) Students can apply interviewing techniques to enhance communication and assessment skills.
- (3) Students can understand the significance of positive teamwork dynamics.
- (4) Students can be familiar with technological advancements in office.
- (5) Students can create and deliver clear and effective presentations.
- (6) Students can develop strategies for understanding and navigating office politics.
- (7) Students can analyze sales strategies and apply them in real-world selling scenarios.

## Corresponding CEFR Can-do statements

1. Can understand straightforward factual information about common everyday or job-related topics, identifying both general messages and specific details, provided speech is clearly articulated in a generally familiar accent. [overall listening comprehension]
2. Can follow a lecture or a talk within his/her own field, provided the subject matter is familiar and the presentation straightforward and clearly structured. [listening as a member of a live audience]
3. Can follow much of what is said that is related to his/her field, provided interlocutors avoid very idiomatic usage and articulated clearly. [formal discussion (meetings)]
4. Can synthesize and report information and arguments from a number of sources. [information exchange]
5. Can take some initiatives in an interview/consultation (e.g., to bring up a new subject) but is very dependent on interviewer in the interaction. [interviewing and being interviewed]
6. Can paraphrase short written passages in a simple fashion, using the original text wording and ordering. [processing text]



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英文核心能力指標 University Student Core Competency Indicators

1. 英語溝通與表達能力 (ability to communicate and express oneself in English)

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| 2. 深度分析與組織思考的能力 (ability to think critically and organize ideas logically in English)  | 15 |
| 3. 英語學習策略與技巧 (knowledge of English learning strategies and techniques)   | 15 |
| 4. 對英語與多元文化的國際視野 (global views of English and multicultural diversity)   | 25 |
| 5. 善用英語學習資源，培養獨立學習英語的習慣與能力 (ability to use existing English learning resources and development of independent self-learning habit) | 15 |



### Teaching Materials and References

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| Textbook(s)                | <u>Beck, Jessica. English Works for the Office 2. Caves Books, 2017, ISBN-13: 9789576068164.</u><br>CEFR Scale <input type="checkbox"/> B1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B1-B2 <input type="checkbox"/> B2 <input type="checkbox"/> B2+ <input type="checkbox"/> C1 |
| Additional Textbook(s)     |   |
| Learning/Resource Platform | NTHU eeclass  |
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(Note: If you plan to add any other textbook or material to this course, please list the books here.)



### Grading:

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| 1. | Attendance and participation | 15% |
| 2. | Midterm Exam                 | 15% |
| 3. | Quizzes (5%*8)               | 40% |
| 4. | Dialogue Role-play           | 10% |
| 5. | Final Project                | 10% |
| 6. | Assignments                  | 10% |



### Requirements & Rules:

- 1 Attendance Policy:
  - Each class is worth one point.
  - Missing a class results in the loss of one point.
  - Valid proof is required for absences due to uncontrollable situations.
  - Lateness exceeding 30 minutes is considered an absence for that hour
- 2 Responsibility for Missed Classes:
  - Missing a class does not excuse ignorance of assignments or discussions.
  - Students are responsible for obtaining missed information from classmates or the instructor.
- 3 Exam Integrity:
  - Cheating on exams is strictly prohibited.
  - Any student caught cheating will receive a zero score for that exam.

- 4 Make-Up Exams:  
 - Make-up exams are granted only if you attend another Office Communication in Workplace class.
- 5 Cell Phone Usage:  
 - Please ensure your cell phone is turned off during the two-hour class period.
- 6 AI Usage and Academic Integrity:  
 - When using AI tools, ensure they supplement rather than replace your original work.  
 - Proper citation and acknowledgment of AI-generated content are mandatory to maintain academic integrity.

**Teaching Activities:**

- Lectures  頭講授  Pair/Group discussion 配對／分組討論  Assignments 作業  
 Student presentations 學生報告  Quizzes 小考  Projects 專題

Please indicate the activities you may use in this course

**Classroom Languages:**

English 85 %      Mandarin 15 %

**Detailed Syllabus:**

| WEEK | DATE | Class Activities / Assignments   |  |  |
|------|------|--|--|--|
|      |      | Unit title / Topic   | Class activities / Assignments                           | Main EGP/EAP/EOP language skills   |
|      |      | Avoid listing the title of the chapter only. It's suggested that the teacher add the theme, language skills, activity types for the weekly schedule. |  |  |
| 1    |      | First Class  | Course Orientation/Ice Breaking Activity                 |  |
| 2    |      | Unit 1 Interviewing for Success  | Pair Discussion: Identify one's strengths and weaknesses | Understanding of a range of academic vocabulary and grammatical structures                                   |
| 3    |      | Unit 1 Interviewing for Success  | Dialogue Practice  | Exchanging and challenging ideas appropriately (in academic discussion)                                      |
| 4    |      | Unit 2 Working as a Team   | Quiz 1   | Getting familiar with discourse patterns (the structure of persuasive, argumentative, and informative texts) |
| 5    |      | Unit 2 Working as a Team   | Communication Activity/Problem solving skills            | Explaining the possible implications of events   |
| 6    |      | Unit 3 Talking Technology  | Quiz 2   | Exchanging and challenging ideas appropriately (in   |

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|    |  |                                  |                                      | academic discussion)  |
| 7  |  | Unit 3 Talking Technology        | Micro presentation: Black Technology | Creating a presentation to report results   |
| 8  |  | Pair project                     | Quiz 3<br>Role play                  | Exchanging and challenging ideas appropriately (in academic discussion)   |
| 9  |  | Midterm Exam                     | Written Exam                         |   |
| 10 |  | Unit 4 Presentations             | Dialogue Practice                    | Getting familiar with discourse patterns (the structure of persuasive, argumentative, and informative texts)  |
| 11 |  | Unit 4 Presentations             | Quiz 4                               | Developing sentence structures and discourse patterns for academic competence (comparing, classifying, synthesizing, evaluating, and inferring)/<br>Listening Skill |
| 12 |  | Unit 6 Making the Sale           | Micro presentation: Business Trend   | Creating a presentation to report results   |
| 13 |  | Unit 6 Making the Sale           | Dialogue Practice /Quiz 5            | Following discussions between multiple speakers   |
| 14 |  | Unit 7 Surviving Office Politics | Quiz 6                               | Explaining the possible implications of events  |
| 15 |  | Unit 7 Surviving Office Politics | Dialogue Practice /Quiz 7            | Following discussions between multiple speakers   |
| 16 |  | Final Presentation               | Report                               | Creating a presentation to report results   |



## SDGs (UN Sustainable Development Goals) Indicators<sup>2</sup>



<sup>2</sup> Teachers may indicate the relevancy of the units or the themes in this course to the Sustainable Development Goals, which were set up in 2015 by the United Nations General Assembly and are intended to be achieved by the year 2030.



### Academic Linguistic Skills Indicators

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| R<br>e<br>a<br>d<br>i<br>n<br>g           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Understanding of a range of academic vocabulary and grammatical structures |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Understanding graphic presentation of data                                 |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluating, comparing and critically analyzing graphic data                           |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Understanding graphic presentation of data                                 |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying appropriate reading techniques  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Following descriptions of processes and sequences                                     |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreting process diagrams and flowcharts (critical reading)                       |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Analyzing reported statistics (critical reading)                                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Following discussions between multiple texts or reports                               |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comparing and synthesizing ideas and arguments                             |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Taking notes  |
| L<br>i<br>s<br>t<br>e<br>n<br>i<br>n<br>g | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Understanding description of data in spoken language                       |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding and evaluating a speaker's interpretation of data                       |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding references to graphic data  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Following descriptions of processes and sequences                                     |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Following an account of the development of ideas over time                            |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Following discussions between multiple speakers                            |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Comparing and synthesizing ideas and arguments  |
| W<br>r<br>i<br>t<br>i<br>n<br>g           | <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding the core features of a typical written report                           |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Building paragraphs in academic writing   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Using supporting information in academic writing                                      |

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| n<br>g | <input type="checkbox"/> Incorporating graphic information and data into writing (in support of claims)         |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Describing research findings   |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Describing and explaining data   |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Discussing research findings   |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Explaining the possible implications of events   |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Explaining, comparing and interpreting sources (comparing literature on a topic)       |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Synthesizing sources and viewpoints (comparing literature on a topic)                  |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing conclusion from data (developing your own position on a topic)                 |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing cautious language for your own claim (developing your own position on a topic) |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Using inferential language (communicating about ideas across contexts)                 |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Using narrative and descriptive language (clearly describing a series of events)       |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Writing a literature review  |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Creating a poster to report results  |
|        | <input type="checkbox"/> Avoid plagiarism   |

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| S<br>p<br>e<br>a<br>k<br>i<br>n<br>g<br>/<br>D<br>i<br>s<br>c<br>u<br>s<br>s<br>i<br>o<br>n | <input type="checkbox"/> Discussing the meaning and implications of numerical data  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Using statistical data in support of claims  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Referring to graphics in support of claims   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Describing research findings   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Describing and explaining data   |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exchanging and challenging ideas appropriately (in academic discussion)   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Expressing and defending opinions  |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Explaining the possible implications of events  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Explaining, comparing and interpreting sources (comparing literature on a topic)   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Synthesizing sources and viewpoints (comparing literature on a topic)  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing conclusion from data (developing your own position on a topic)   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing cautious language for your own claim (developing your own position on a topic)   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Creating a presentation to report results               |   |
| V<br>o<br>c<br>a<br>b<br>u<br>l<br>a<br>r<br>y<br>&<br>G<br>r<br>a<br>m<br>m<br>a<br>r      | <input type="checkbox"/> Expanding academic vocabulary and knowledge of definitions and parts of words (prefixes, suffixes, roots, etc.)  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Developing a sophisticated knowledge of lexical resources (that are used to determine referents, organize ideas, establish relationships between concepts, and develop cohesion within a text) |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Getting familiar with discourse patterns (the structure of persuasive, argumentative, and informative texts)  |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Developing sentence structures and discourse patterns for academic competence (comparing, classifying, synthesizing, evaluating, and inferring)                                     |