

## English as a Second Language (ESL) Department News

### New! ESL → English Bridge!

Starting Fall 2017, students who have successfully completed **ESLG 320**, **ESLR 320**, and **ESLW 320** will be able to take **ENGWR 300**. They will do this through a prerequisite challenge process. (Direct them to RHS 226 for this.)

**Update:** Students who have successfully completed ESLW 320, ESLG 320, and ENGRD 300 also qualify.

### Financial Aid Eligibility of ESL Courses:

According to p. 5 of the Degree Applicability Roll Out document dated November 18, 2016, "All ESL courses are fundable, there is an override for courses that are not identified, and a process to be sure the course is added to the list for the future."

**Q:** If a student is enrolled in a program of study and taking ESL Courses can the ESL courses be funded?

**A:** All ESL courses are fundable. If the student is enrolled in ESL coursework and the course audit process identified it as not eligible, you can do an override. Please notify District IT to add this course to the ESL courses for automatic approval for future processing."

### Certificates:

We offer an Intermediate and an Advanced Certificate. The latter is an official certificate that appears on students' transcripts.

- Requirements for Intermediate Certificate of Proficiency in ESL:

Successful completion of **ESLG 50**, **ESLL 50**, **ESLR 50**, and **ESLW 50** (ESL 55 can be substituted for ESLR 50 and ESLW 50)

- Requirements for Advanced Certificate of Achievement in ESL:

Successful completion of **ESL 114**, **ESLG 320**, **ESLR 320**, and **ESLW 320** (ESL 325 can be substituted for ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 via a Course Substitution Petition)

### Class Schedule Updates:

- **ESL 55:** Starting Fall 2017, we will **not** be offering ESL 55 (integrated reading & writing) for the foreseeable future. We will continue to offer ESL 315 and ESL 325.
- **Summer School!** For the first time in several years, we are offering a summer class: ESLG 310, first eight-week session, M-TH 8:00-10:05 a.m.
- **ESL 114 – Career and Communication Skills** is being offered in Fall 2017: MW afternoons, 2:45-4:50 p.m. This course is only offered once a year, and is a requirement for the Advanced ESL Certificate. Contact the instructor, Debbie Roberts-Eccles, [robertdc@scc.losrios.edu](mailto:robertdc@scc.losrios.edu), with questions.

### ESL Point People:

**ALL** full-time ESL professors are available to answer students' questions about our program!

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