

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary**

Course Prefix and Number: ESL 16

Credits: 3

Course Title: Oral and Written Communications III

Course Description (including lecture hours, lab hours, total contacts)

Provides practice in the sound, stress, intonation, structural patterns, grammar, vocabulary, and idioms of advanced-level English with an emphasis on preparation for conversation fluency and confidence and college-level English proficiency. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

To build students' speaking and listening confidence and proficiency in preparation for college-level coursework.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites (*Entry-level competencies **required** for enrollment*)

Recommendation of department following satisfactory completion of ESL 8 or appropriate placement test.

Course Objectives (Each item should complete the following sentence.)

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- a. Initiate and participate in English discussions on a variety of social and academic topics and tasks required for college-level communication.
- b. Understand native speakers at a normal rate.
- c. Use English pronunciation that does not interfere with native speaker's comprehension.

Major Topics to be Included

- a. Acquisition of vocabulary and idiomatic expressions for academic and social interaction.
- b. Presentation and practice of English structures and discourse strategies needed to participate in extended communication in classroom and social settings.
- c. Providing opportunities to listen to and respond to native-speaker social and academic discourse at normal rate.
- d. Practicing components of English pronunciation, and needed, or effective oral communication in social and academic settings.

Effective Date of Course Content Summary (Month, Date Year): 2/13/09