Interpretation of Achievement Scale – Communication Skills Level 7

The goals of Communication Skills Level 7 are for students to continue strengthen their listening comprehension skills for both academic and casual conversation, use current events to explore English at a more advanced academic level, and successfully execute academic presentations. By the end of Communication Skills Level 7, students will be able to:

--Demonstrate enhanced academic communication skills.

Communication Skills Level 7 Teaching Objectives:

1. Improve comprehension and note-taking skills with regard to academic lectures and discussions:
   1.1. Make accurate predictions about listening passages.
   1.2. Use short phrases when note-taking.
   1.3. Correctly identify topics and subtopics in listening passages.
   1.4. Correctly identify key words and discourse cues in listening passages.
   1.5. Accurately document numbers and statistics.
   1.6. Accurately listen to reduced vowels.

2. Develop students’ abilities in oral communication skills:
   2.1. Effectively describe or explain world news events.
   2.2. Effectively ask for and state an opinion.
   2.3. Provide accurate detailed support for an argument.

3. Develop student proficiency in giving academic presentations at the college level:
   3.1. Effective give a personal experience speech.
   3.2. Effectively give a personal opinion speech.
   3.3. Effectively talk about causes and effects.
   3.4. Effectively use can/can’t contractions in advanced oral conversations.

Course Evaluation

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Communication Skills Level 7 Student Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:

Students will be able to:

- In written or spoken classroom exercises, make accurate predictions about listening passages.
- In written or spoken classroom exercises, correctly identify topics and subtopics found in listening passages.
- In written or spoken classroom exercises, correctly identify key words and discourse cues found in listening passages.
- In written or spoken classroom exercises, effectively document the accurate use of numbers and statistics.
- In classroom discussion, effectively describe or explain world news events.
- In classroom discussion, effectively ask for and state an opinion.
- In classroom discussion, provide accurate detailed support for an argument.
- Effectively deliver a personal experience speech to classmates.
- Effectively deliver a personal opinion speech to classmates.
- Effectively talk about causes and effects.
- Effectively use can/can’t contractions in advanced oral conversations.

Grading Scale

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The student demonstrates level-appropriate English ability that is almost always accurate and is characterized by a strong competence in the SLOs listed above.

The student demonstrates level-appropriate English ability that is generally accurate and is characterized by a competence in the SLOs listed above.

The student demonstrates level-appropriate English ability that is somewhat accurate and is characterized by an emerging competence in the SLOs listed above.

The student does not demonstrate level-appropriate English ability and is incompetent in the SLOs listed above.

Communication Skills Level 7 Requirements for Promotion

1. Students must pass the class with a cumulative grade of C- (71% or higher).