

**Course Objectives, Student Learning Outcomes, and Promotion Requirements****Interpretation of Achievement Scale – Advanced Academic Communication Skills Level 9**

The goals of Advanced Academic Communication Skills Level 9 are for students to approach near native mastery in their listening and speaking skills. Students express themselves fluently and spontaneously without noticeably searching for expressions and language in both academic and casual conversation. Students produce professional presentations.

Advanced Academic Communication Skills Level 9 Teaching Objectives:

1. Listen for supporting evidence
2. Listen for multiple viewpoints
3. Effectively draw conclusions
4. Distinguish facts from opinions
5. Effectively use visuals to guide note-taking skills, make predictions and draw conclusions
6. Determine relationship between ideas
7. Summarize and paraphrase what was heard
8. Determine when to use figurative language
9. Describe relationships between ideas
10. Use pauses effectively
11. Stress important information
12. Identify and apply connected and blended speech

Course Evaluation

Presentations (3)	40%
Listening Tests (3)	35%
Homework	
Comprehensive Final Exam (Listening and Presentation)	25%

Advanced Academic Communication Skills Level 9 Student Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Summarize an academic lecture, distinguishing between main ideas and details.
2. Document main ideas, details and examples heard in an academic lecture at the C1 level.
3. Determine the meaning of key vocabulary words in a listening passage.
4. Identify implied meanings and infer the speaker's intentions and opinions in level-appropriate listening passages.
5. Present an argument with support based on awareness of the speaker's tone and audience.
6. Construct and deliver an academic presentation utilizing imagery and voice to convey meaning.



Grading Scale

EXCELLENT		GOOD		AVERAGE		REPEAT	
A+	98-100	B+	88-91	C+	78-81	R	0-70
A	95-97	B	85-87	C	74-77		
A-	92-94	B-	82-84	C-	71-73		
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.	

Advanced Academic Communication Skills Level 9 Requirements for Promotion

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