

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Intensive English Program

Course Objectives, Student Learning Outcomes, and Promotion Requirements

Interpretation of Achievement Scale – Intermediate Debate

The goals of Intermediate Debate are for students to learn and practice intermediate level discussion/debating skills and establish a vocabulary base. This course is designed for intermediate level students.

Intermediate Debate Teaching Objectives:

- 1. Develop speaking abilities in social and academic contexts while expanding a related vocabulary base:
 - 1.1 Effectively participate in social conversations.
 - 1.2 Effectively develop oral presentation skills in English.
 - 1.3 Effectively use present continuous in conversations.
 - 1.4 Effectively use simple past in conversations.
 - 1.5 Effectively participate in classroom group discussions.
 - 1.6 Give a prepared presentation to the class using a visual aid that lasts a minimum of two minutes.
 - 1.7 Clarify and ask for clarification in classroom speaking tasks using targeted expressions.
 - 1.8 Ask for and give advice, make suggestions and make complaints in classroom speaking tasks using targeted expressions.
 - 1.9 Listen for and correctly identify examples, reasons, opinions, frequency, and sequence in lower-intermediate level listening passages.
 - 1.10 Recognize and correctly identify/write key words from a lower-intermediate level listening passage in guided tasks.
 - 1.11 Describe events that happened in the past.
- 2. Develop listening abilities to identify key ideas in spoken conversations:
 - 2.1 Listen for and correctly identify main ideas and details in lower-intermediate level listening conversations.
 - 2.2 Listen for and summarize information from lower-intermediate level listening conversations.
 - 2.3 Demonstrate a basic understanding of -ed pronunciation

Course Evaluation

Discussions (2 each 15%)	30%
Debates (2 each 15%)	35%
Homework	10%
Final Debate	25%



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Intermediate Debate Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Effectively guess for and document meaning based on context clues.
- 2. Effectively use linking in spoken speech.
- 3. Correctly identify the rhetorical patterns of comparison/contrast and causal analysis.
- 4. Correctly identify causes and effects.
- 5. Effectively ask for reasons.
- 6. Effectively support ideas with examples.
- 7. Effectively rephrase key ideas.
- 8. Effectively show interest when engaging in conversations.
- 9. Effectively use mind maps.
- 10. Listen for causes and effects in intermediate listening passages.

Grading Scale

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

Intermediate Debate Requirements for Promotion

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