

Hacettepe University
Faculty of Letters
Department of English Language and Literature

Course: İED 132 (01) Spoken English
Instructor: Assist. Prof. Dr. Pınar Taşdelen
Year/Term: 2019-2020 Spring
Class Hours: Wednesday 13:00-15:50 ZNG
Office Hours: Wednesday 10:00-12:00

Aim of the Course: The aim of this course is to enable the student to speak fluently with grammatical correctness and at a reasonable speed. The instructor will provide the primary guidance for the student to improve spoken English skills through informal conversations, class discussions, oral reports, and formal speech forms.

Course Content: The differences between written and oral composition, transformation of written text into an oral text are explained. Essentials of correct pronunciation, phonation, stress, articulation and intonation are introduced. The importance of body language, the essentials of public speech, the relationship between the speaker and the audience, stage fright and how to overcome stage fright are dealt with, in addition to the characteristics of Impromptu Speech, Narrative Speech, Descriptive Speech and How-to Speech.

Method of Instruction: The course will be conducted through lectures, class discussions and student workshops, but the majority of the class hours will be dedicated to oral practice and presentations.

Course Outline:

Week I: General Introduction
Speech; its nature and functions
Week II: Breathing, phonation drills
Problem sounds, pronunciation drills
Week III: Common mistakes in English
Week IV: Studying body language
Resonation, articulation drills
Week V: How to prepare a speech
Organising the speech
Week VI: Impromptu Speech
Week VII: Reading a picture
Week VIII: Midterm I (Telling a story, Reading poetry) (15.04.2020)
Week IX: Role-playing
Week X: Role-playing
Week XI: Debate
Week XII: Debate
Week XIII: Informative Speech
Week XIV: Informative Speech

***There may be changes to the course outline.**

Course book: There is no set textbook for this course. The students themselves are responsible for obtaining the Xerox copies of the course material provided by the lecturer.

Course Requirements and Method: There will be various oral exercises which the students will take part in. Besides speech exercises, each student will prepare an informative speech. An informative speech will be assigned to be presented for the final exam as well. It is obligatory that the students provide a hard-copy of their speech cards on the date of their final exam.

Attendance: Attendance is compulsory, those who fail to come to class more than **11 hours** will get **F1**. Moreover, punctual attendance is required at every class meeting.

Assessment: Midterm I: 30%

Class participation and assignments: 20%

Final: 50%

25% of the marks will be deducted for incorrect English. The lowest passing mark is **50**.