IELI 2450: Topics for ESL
Summer 2020
Course Syllabus

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Course Information
Class Days and Times: MTWF: 8:40-9:50
Location: online
Course website: Canvas

Course Description
This course introduces students to contemporary topics, which vary by semester and level. It focuses on language development through content-based instruction.

Course Goals
Students will ...
• demonstrate language and academic skills needed in university-level coursework
• understand and be able to apply specific content of selected current issues, cultural topics and discipline-specific subjects
• use skills and strategies for critical analysis, creative thinking, and collaborative learning

Expected Learner Outcomes
Students demonstrate language and academic skills by ...
• participating actively in class and effectively collaborating with peers
• producing clear written materials (such as reports, summaries, and posters) which reflect writing proficiency and content mastery
• delivering effective presentations of information (such as speeches, debates, videos, and role-plays) which reflect speaking proficiency and content mastery

Materials
I will provide you with the materials for this class.

Grading
Course grades will be calculated on the following scale:

A=93-100%
A-=90-92%
B+=87-89%
B=83-86%
B-=80-82%
C+=77-79%
C=73-76%  C-=70-72%  D+=67-69%
D=63-66%  D-=60-62%  F=below 60

Grades will be awarded in the following amounts:
Unit 1 assignments: 20%
Unit 2 assignments: 20%
Unit 3 assignments: 20%
Unit 4 assignments: 20%
Unit 5 assignments: 20%