# Preparatory English (PRPE)

## Courses

**PRPE A050** ESL Basic Conversation Skills 3 Credits  
For high-level beginning to low-level intermediate students. Improves vocabulary acquisition and usage and the ability to communicate orally in everyday and academic situations by developing Standard American English language listening and speaking skills.  
**Special Note:** Student entering this course must have an advising slip signed by faculty. Call the Testing Center for appointment times. May be repeated one time for credit.

**PRPE A051** ESL Basic Reading and Writing 3 Credits  
For high-level beginning to low-level intermediate students. Emphasizes Standard American English basic grammar rules, improves writing ability, and increases reading comprehension in academic and everyday situations. Provides instruction in formatting written work, word processing, and using the dictionary as a grammar resource.  
**Special Note:** Student entering this course must have an advising slip signed by faculty. Call the Testing Center for appointment times. May be repeated one time for credit.

**PRPE A054** Learning Strategies 1-3 Credits  
Presents basic learning strategies. Develops time management, learning styles, textbook study, note taking, and test taking skills.  
**Registration Restrictions:** Appropriate score on reading placement test.

**PRPE A070** Basic Reading 2-4 Credits  
Improves basic reading skills with guided, structured practice in vocabulary, comprehension, and reading flexibility.  
**Special Note:** Concurrent enrollment in WRTG A080 is strongly recommended.  
**Registration Restrictions:** Appropriate score on English placement test.

**PRPE A072** Individualized Reading Lab 1-3 Credits  
Provides individualized instruction in basic reading skills, text comprehension, vocabulary development, dictionary skills, and readjustment of reading rate, in an open lab format.  
**Special Note:** May be repeated for a maximum of 3 credits.  
**Registration Restrictions:** Appropriate score on reading placement test.

**PRPE A074** Vocabulary Skill Building 1-3 Credits  
Provides tools for vocabulary growth. Includes word recognition drills, practice exercises, writings, word roots, prefixes, and origins, use of the dictionary, and word searches on the computer.

**PRPE A075** Speed Reading 1-3 Credits  
Introduces skills to increase reading speed and comprehension. Presents techniques for efficient reading of different types of material.  
**Registration Restrictions:** Appropriate score on reading placement test.

**PRPE A076** Reading Strategies 3 Credits  
Provides basic strategies for reading comprehension, vocabulary development, and textbook skills necessary for success in freshman college classes.  
**Registration Restrictions:** Appropriate score on reading placement test.

**PRPE A084** Sentence Skills 1-3 Credits  
Supports students in composition courses. Provides tools for improving sentences that conform to Standard American English. Focuses on common sentence errors for accuracy in drafting and editing.  
**Registration Restrictions:** Appropriate score on English placement test.

**PRPE A105** Introduction to College Study Skills 1-3 Credits  
Introduces study skills necessary for success in college-level courses. Presents strategies for information processing, lecture and textbook note-taking, and test-taking in academic settings.  
**Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, then appropriate score on reading placement test is required.  
**Prerequisites:** PRPE A076 with a minimum grade of C.

**PRPE A107** Introduction to College Reading 3 Credits  
Improves literal and critical reading skills, academic vocabulary, and textbook comprehension and retention. Explores the connection between reading and writing needed for success in college classes.  
**Registration Restrictions:** If prerequisite is not satisfied, then appropriate score on reading placement test is required.  
**Prerequisites:** PRPE A076 with a minimum grade of C.