

# English Language Acquisition (ELAC) Courses

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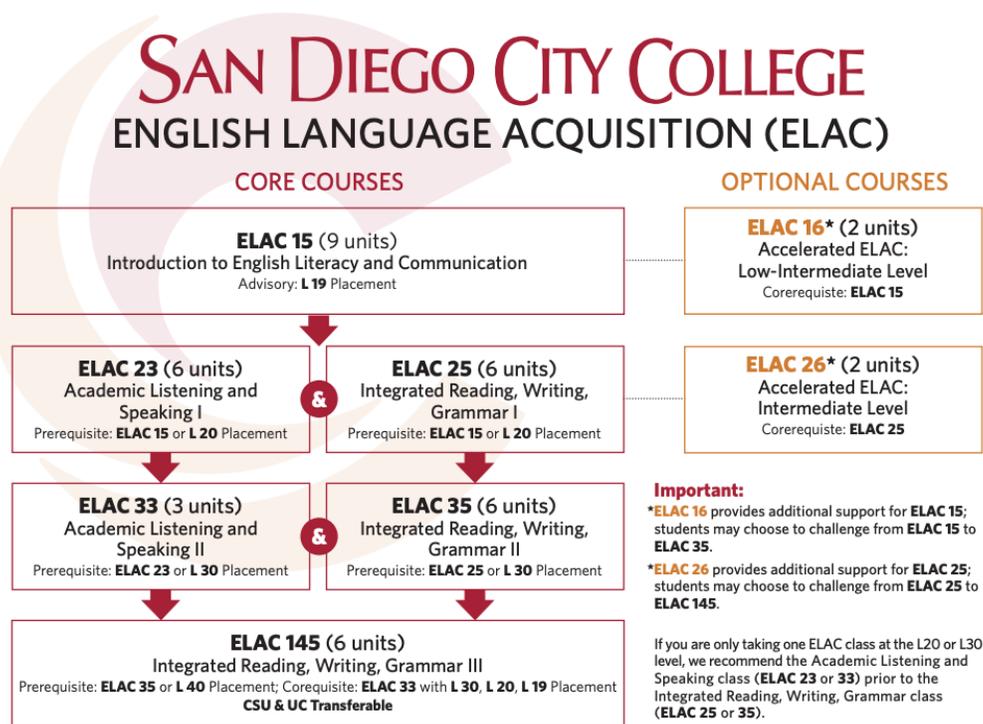
ELAC website:

<http://sdcity.edu/academics/schools-programs/arts-humanities-comms/english/elac/index.aspx>

## Description

Our ESL program is English Language Acquisition (ELAC), which supports you in your development of academic English. ELAC classes are not basic skills or remedial. They are for students who are multilingual and studying English as a foreign language at intermediate to advanced levels.

The classes you take here will focus on all English communication skills necessary to be successful in college level work as well as how to navigate your way through college in the United States. You can earn transferable credit to CSUs and UCs in our highest level class, ELAC 145.



## Courses

### Core Classes

#### **ELAC 15 Introduction to English Literacy and Communication**

*9 hours lecture, 9 units*

*Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option*

*Advisory: Milestone L19. Students are advised to take the ELAC placement test prior to enrollment and perform at L19.*

*Limitation on Enrollment: This course is not open to students with previous credit for English 7, English 58, English for Speakers of Other Languages 19, or English for Speakers of Other Languages 19A.*

This course provides non-native English speakers with the skills to integrate reading, writing, grammar, and oral communication at the low-intermediate level. Emphasis is placed on comprehending, summarizing, and interpreting audio and written texts as well as expressing one's own thoughts and opinions. Topics include communicating in an academic setting, applying critical reading strategies, writing paragraphs and short compositions in a variety of genres, as well as analyzing and producing grammatical structures in context. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

#### **ELAC 23 Academic Listening and Speaking I**

*6 hours lecture, 6 units*

*Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option*

*Prerequisite: English Language Acquisition 15 with a grade of "C" or better, or equivalent or Milestone L20.*

*Limitation on Enrollment: This course is not open to students with previous credit for English for Speakers of Other Languages 22.*

This course provides non-native English speakers with academic listening and speaking skills at the intermediate level. Emphasis is placed on developing accuracy and fluency in oral communication skills as well as understanding and responding to audio texts from a variety of genres. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

#### **ELAC 25 Integrated Reading, Writing, and Grammar I**

*6 hours lecture, 6 units*

*Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option*

*Prerequisite: English Language Acquisition 15 with a grade of "C" or better, or equivalent or Milestone L20.*

*Limitation on Enrollment: This course is not open to students with previous credit for English 8, English 60, or English for Speakers of Other Languages 20 and English for Speakers of Other Languages 21.*

This course provides non-native English speakers with the skills to integrate reading, writing, and grammar at the intermediate level. Emphasis is placed on applying critical reading strategies to a variety of genres, writing paragraph and multi-paragraph compositions based on assigned readings, and analyzing and producing grammatical structures in context. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

### **ELAC 33 Academic Listening and Speaking II**

*3 hours lecture, 3 units*

*Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option*

*Prerequisite: English Language Acquisition 23 with a grade of "C" or better, or equivalent or Milestone L30.*

*Limitation on Enrollment: This course is not open to students with previous credit for English for Speakers of Other Languages 32.*

This course provides non-native English speakers with academic listening and speaking skills at the high-intermediate to advanced levels. Emphasis is placed on linguistic and interpersonal skills necessary for participation in a variety of formal and informal tasks in the college environment as well as understanding and responding to audio texts from a variety of genres. This course is intended for nonnative speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

### **ELAC 35 Integrated Reading, Writing, and Grammar II**

*6 hours lecture, 6 units*

*Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option*

*Prerequisite: English Language Acquisition 25 with a grade of "C" or better, or equivalent or Milestone L30.*

*Limitation on Enrollment: This course is not open to students with previous credit for English 9, English 6, or English for Speakers of Other Languages 30 and English for Speakers of Other Languages 31.*

This course provides non-native English speakers with the skills to integrate reading, writing, and grammar at the high-intermediate level. Emphasis is placed on applying critical reading strategies to a variety of genres, writing multi-paragraph compositions (including introduction of the academic essay) based on assigned readings and other sources, and analyzing and producing grammatical structures in context. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

### **ELAC 145 Integrated Reading, Writing, and Grammar III**

*6 hours lecture, 6 units*

*Letter Grade or Pass/No Pass Option*

*Prerequisite: English Language Acquisition 35 with a grade of "C" or better, or equivalent or Milestone L40.*

*Corequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in English Language Acquisition 33 with a grade of "C" or better, or equivalent. Students who meet the prerequisite by completion of*

*English Language Acquisition 35 must have completed English Language Acquisition 33 or be concurrently enrolled in English Language Acquisition 33.*

*Limitation on Enrollment: This course is not open to students with previous credit for English 10, English 62, English for Speakers of Other Languages 40, English for Speakers of Other Languages 45, or English Language Acquisition 45.*

This course provides non-native English speakers with the skills to integrate reading, writing, and grammar at the advanced level. Emphasis is placed on applying critical reading strategies to a variety of genres as well as analysis and synthesis of sources. The course also focuses on writing multi-paragraph compositions (including the academic essay), responding to and integrating sources, as well as analyzing and producing grammatical structures in context. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) AA/AS; CSU; UC.

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## Electives

### **5A English Language Grammar - Low-Intermediate/Intermediate**

*1–2 hours lecture, 1–2 units*

*Pass/No Pass*

*Advisory: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in English Language Acquisition 15 with a grade of “C” or better, or equivalent or Milestone L20 or English Language Acquisition 25 with a grade of “C” or better, or equivalent.*

This course focuses on the study of English grammar for students whose first language is other than English. Emphasis is placed on clearly communicating one’s thoughts and ideas. Topics include analyzing basic grammar structures and applying knowledge of these structures in producing and editing one’s own texts. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English at the low-intermediate and intermediate levels. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

### **5B English Language Grammar – High–Intermediate/Advanced**

*1–2 hours lecture, 1–2 units*

*Pass/No Pass*

*Advisory: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in English Language Acquisition 35 with a grade of “C” or better, or equivalent or English Language Acquisition 45 with a grade of “C” or better, or equivalent or Milestone R40 and W40.*

This course focuses on the study of English grammar for students whose first language is other than English. Emphasis is placed on clearly communicating one’s thoughts and ideas. Topics include analyzing more advanced grammar structures and applying knowledge of these structures in producing and editing one’s own texts. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English at the high-intermediate and advanced levels. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.

**ELAC 7 English Pronunciation**

*1–2 hours lecture, 1–2 units*

*Pass/No Pass*

This course is designed to assist non-native English learners develop oral/aural language skills through the improvement of understanding spoken English and articulation of the language. Emphasis is placed on clear and effective oral/aural communication and pronunciation. Topics include oral/aural discrimination, stress, rhythm, and intonation. This course is intended for non-native speakers of English preparing for college-level coursework. (FT) Not applicable to the Associate Degree.