American Culture & English Program (ACE)

ACE 051. Academic English Structure and Application. (4)

For non-native, English speaking students, a one-semester course for students in need of more support in the development of English language proficiency. Designed to enhance international students' interpersonal communication and research skills which are essential in an academic setting. Project-based format focusing on acquisition and usage of skills: understanding and application of language and text structures, peer-collaboration, critical thinking and analysis. Only open to conditional admission students in ACE Program.

ACE 112. Advanced Communications Strategies: Speaking and Listening for Academic Contexts. (5)

For non-native, English speaking students, intensive practice in spoken English in an academic context; includes discussion, formal presentations, understanding lectures and note-taking; to promote advancement of language fluency as well as acculturation to the American classroom experience; also includes casual spoken English. Only open to conditional admission students in ACE Program.

ACE 113. Reading and Writing in Academic Contexts. (4)

For non-native, English speaking students, an intensive reading and writing course focusing on reading comprehension, textual analysis, vocabulary, composing, and rhetoric. Students learn critical skills needed for success in academic writing. Open only to conditional admission students in ACE Program.

ACE 310. Special Topics in American Academic Culture for International Students. (1-3; maximum 6)

Orientation to American academic culture for international students. Primary emphasis on strategies, practices, and conventions of academic writing and speaking/presenting. Variable topics include: strategies for academic writing and discussing/presenting; practical grammar; collaboration and team work; citation practices; written genres common in various disciplines. Open only to international students.

ACE 612. Advanced Communication Strategies for Graduate International Students. (5)

For non-native, English speaking graduate students, intensive instruction and practice in oral English, both listening and speaking, in graduate-level academic and professional contexts. Includes conversation, discussion, formal presentation and lecturing, interviewing, working in teams with speakers of different languages, and note-taking.

ACE 613. Advanced Reading and Writing for Graduate International Students. (4)

For non-native, English speaking graduate students, an intensive reading and writing course focusing on English vocabulary development, reading comprehension and analysis, composing and rhetoric. Students learn critical skills needed for success in academic writing.

ACE 619. Advanced Speaking and Presentation for Graduate International Students. (2)

For non-native, English speaking graduate students, an intensive course in English speaking, pronunciation, and presentation, with an emphasis on improving accuracy, fluency, comprehensibility, and clarity of speech, particularly for instructional contexts.