Instructor Information

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Course Identification

Course Number: 340  
Course Name: Intermediate grammar  
Course Location: Walker 143  
Class Times: M W F 8:05-8:55

Course Description/Overview: The course focuses on the needs of non-native speakers of English. Emphasis is on improving the active use of Standard American English grammar in speaking and writing to promote confidence in communication.

Course Learning Objectives: By the end of the intermediate grammar course, students will be able to:

1. Use the following structures and aspects reliably in written and spoken contexts:
   a. Regular and irregular verbs  
   b. Subject verb agreement  
   c. Tense and verb forms  
   d. Gerunds and infinitives  
   e. Qualifiers  
   f. Articles  
   g. Conjunctions  
   h. Sentence and question formation  
   i. Count and non-count nouns  
   j. Simple modals  
   k. Real conditionals  
   l. Common phrasal verbs  
   m. Pronouns
n. Prepositions
o. Adjectives and adverbs
2. Identify parts of speech.
3. Recognize errors in their own work and use familiar resources to resolve these errors.
4. Parse and understand complex sentences with successive imbedded clauses.
5. Use a variety of sentence structures in written and spoken performance.

Course Resources

Course Website(s)
- Blackboard<http://www.courses.mtu.edu>


Other Course Resources: Dave’s ESL Cafe- www.eslcafe.com

Academic English Café

English Club Page http://grammar.englishclub.com

Instructional Methods: Lecturing, engaging students in various activities in pairs, groups or as a class that encourages growth in all areas of language use.

Grading Scheme

Grading Policy
Grades will be based on the following:

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Grading Scale:
72-100  \(\rightarrow\) Pass 
0-72    \(\rightarrow\) Fail

Promotion to the next level

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= advancement to the next level of ESL classes
Course Policies

Come to class every day. If you miss a class, you should contact me and tell me why you were absent. You should also ask a classmate about homework so that you do not miss any assignments.

If you do not contact me about your absence, you may be reported to IPS, and your visa status may be affected.

After three unexcused absences, your final course grade will be lowered 5% for each absence.

Excused absences include: if you are sick with a doctor's note, religious holidays, etc. You can see a full list of excused absences here: http://www.mtu.edu/dean/conduct/policy/attendance/

Make up tests, quizzes, and presentations will not be given unless arranged in advance.

Come to class on time. If you arrive to class late three times, it will be counted as one unexcused absence. If you are 10 minutes late or more, you will be marked absent for the day.

Homework is due at the beginning of class. Late homework will receive 0 points.

Participate in class:

1. Use only English in this classroom, so everyone can understand what you are saying.
2. Cell phones must be turned off before the start of class. Leave all other electronic devices at home. Texting in class is against MTU rules.
3. Come prepared with all of your class materials and homework completed.
4. Actively participate in class. Respect others by listening closely while they are talking.

You should use your own words on assignments, so that you do not plagiarize. This is very serious. A copied or plagiarized assignment will receive 0 points. Plagiarism could result in suspension or expulsion from MTU. If you have questions about plagiarism, ask one of your instructors for help.

Academic regulations and procedures are governed by University policy. Academic dishonesty cases will be handled in accordance the University's policies. You are required to read the university's Academic Integrity policy listed below. Academic Integrity: http://www.studentaffairs.mtu.edu/dean/judicial/policies/academic_integrity.html

Disabilities

If you have a disability that could affect your performance in this class or that requires an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please see me as soon as possible so that we can make appropriate arrangements. The Affirmative Action Office has asked that you be made aware of the following:

Michigan Tech complies with all federal and state laws and regulations regarding discrimination, including the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have a disability and need a reasonable accommodation for equal access to education or services at Michigan
Tech, please call the Dean of Students Office, at 487-2212. For other concerns about discrimination, you may contact your advisor, department head or the Affirmative Action Office, at 487-3310. **Affirmative Action:** [http://www.admin.mtu.edu/aoa/](http://www.admin.mtu.edu/aoa/)

**Disability Services:**
[http://www.admin.mtu.edu/urel/studenthandbook/student_services.html#disability](http://www.admin.mtu.edu/urel/studenthandbook/student_services.html#disability)


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**Tentative Calendar**

This syllabus may be changed during the term to accommodate the needs of either the students or the professor.
ELS 0340 Intermediate Grammar Syllabus (continued)

Week 1: 8/29-9/2  
Introduction to the course  
Chapter 1: Asking interview questions  
The Simple Present and the Present Progressive  
Frequency adverbs

Week 2: 9/6-9/9  
Chapter 2: Past Time

Week 3: 9/12-9/16  
Chapter 3: Future Time  
QUIZ – 9/16/2011

Week 4: 9/19-9/23  
Chapter 4: The present Perfect and The Past Perfect

Week 5: 9/26-9/30  
Chapter 13: Gerunds and Infinitive  
QUIZ – 9/30/2011

Week 6: 10/3-10/7  
Chapter 8: Connecting Ideas

Week 7: 10/10-10/14  
Chapter 6: Nouns And Pronouns  
QUIZ – 10/14/2011

Week 8 10/17-10/21  
Chapter 9: Comparisons

Week 9: 10/24-10/28  
Chapters 5: Asking Questions  
QUIZ – 10/28/2011

Week 10: 10/31-11/4  
Chapter 10: The Passive

Week 11 11/7-11/11  
Chapter 11: Count/ Noncount Nouns and Articles  
QUIZ 11/11/2011

Week 12 11/14-11/18  
Chapter 12: Adjective Clauses

THANKSGIVING BREAK 11/21-11/25

Week 13 11/28-12/2  
Chapter 14: Noun Clauses  
QUIZ – 12/2/2011

Week 14 12/5/-12/9  
Chapter 7: Modal Auxiliaries