





# **Course Specifications**

Course Title:	Preparation for International Tests	
Course Code:	ENG 425	
Program:	Bachelor of Arts in English	
Department:	English	
College:	Faculty of Languages and Translation	
Institution:	King Khalid University	

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#### A. Course Identification

1. Credit hours: 3
2. Course type
a. University College Department X Others
<b>b.</b> Required <b>X</b> Elective
3. Level/year at which this course is offered: Level 8/Year 4
4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any): ENG 218: Grammar 4
5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):

**6. Mode of Instruction** (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	45	100%
2	Blended		
3	E-learning		
4	Correspondence		
5	Other		

7. Actual Learning Hours (based on the academic semester)

No	Activity	Learning Hours
Contac	ct Hours	<u>.</u>
1	Lecture	25
2	Laboratory/Studio	20
3	Tutorial	
4	Others (specify)	
	Total	45
Other	Learning Hours*	·
1	Study	15
2	Assignments	15
3	Library	
4	Projects/Research Essays/Theses	15
5	Others (specify)	
	Total	45

<sup>\*</sup> The length of time that a learner takes to complete learning activities that lead to the achievement of course learning outcomes, such as study time, homework assignments, projects, preparing presentations, library times

#### **B.** Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

#### 1. Course Description

To introduce students to, and familiarize them with, the structure and questions of two major international English tests: TOEFL and IELTS.

#### 2. Course Main Objective(s)

Introduction to, and familiarization with, the TOEFL and IELTS international exams.

3. Course Learning Outcomes

	CLOs	
1	Knowledge:	
1.1	Understand the basic mechanics of the TOEFL Exam.	K1
1.2	Understand the basic mechanics of the IELTS Exam.	K1
2	Skills:	
2.1	Be familiar and comfortable with TOEFL questions.	S1
2.2	Be familiar and comfortable with IELTS questions.	S1
3	Competence:	
3.1	IELTS Speaking Exam proficiency	C1

#### **C.** Course Content

No	No List of Topics	
1	Introduction: What are the TOEFL and IELTS exams? What are they used for? Why are they important?	3
2	TOEFL Structure	9
3	TOEFL Reading and Listening	15
4	IELTS Speaking Exam	3
5	IELTS Reading and Writing	15
	Total	45

#### D. Teaching and Assessment

## 1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge		
1.1	Understand the basic mechanics of the TOEFL Exam.	Lecture/Tutorial	Discussion Board/Quizzes/Exams
1.2	Understand the basic mechanics of the IELTS Exam.	Lecture/Tutorial	Discussion Board/Quizzes/Exams
2.0	Skills		
2.1	Be familiar and comfortable with TOEFL questions.	Lecture/Tutorial	Discussion Board/Quizzes/Exams
2.2	Be familiar and comfortable with IELTS questions.	Lecture/Tutorial	Discussion Board/Quizzes/Exams
3.0	Competence		
3.1	IELTS Speaking Exam proficiency	Lecture/Tutorial	Discussion Board/Quizzes/Exams

#### 2. Assessment Tasks for Students

#	Assessment task*	Week Due	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Exam 1	7	20%
2	Exam 2	11	20%
3	Speaking Exam	12 ·	10%
4	Final Exam	16	50%

<sup>\*</sup>Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

#### E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for the availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:

Faculty members are to be available for the difference between their teaching load and 35 hours.

#### F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1.Learning Resources

1.Learning Resources	
Required Textbooks	How to Prepare for the TOEFL Test: Pamela J. Sharpe, 9 <sup>th</sup> Ed., 2001 Cambridge, IELTS, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ed., 2002
Essential References Materials	Cambridge IETLS 4, Student's book with answers: Examination papers from University of Cambridge, ESOL, CUP, 2005  Barron's Practice Exercises for the TOEFL: Pamela J. Sharpe, Barron's Educational Series, 2003.
Electronic Materials	https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/IELTS; https://www.ets.org/toefl; https://ieltsliz.com/
Other Learning Materials	Not applicable for this course.

2. Facilities Required

Item	Resources	
Accommodation (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.)	Classroom	
Technology Resources (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)	Projector	
Other Resources (Specify, e.g., if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list)	Not applicable for this course	

**G.** Course Quality Evaluation

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	Evaluation Methods
Quality of learning resources	Students	Direct

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify)

**Assessment Methods** (Direct, Indirect)

#### H. Specification Approval Data

Council / Committee	Department of English Council
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