English Language Center

ELC 020  Foundations Composition 0 cr
This novice course is designed to introduce students to English spelling conventions and basic sentence structure.

ELC 021  Composition I 0 cr
This beginning course is the first of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in composition. After mastering simple sentence construction and composing sentences on a variety of topics, students will learn to organize and develop basic paragraphs of roughly eight sentences. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level A1.
Pre-requisite: ELC 020 Minimum Grade of C or Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 030.

ELC 022  Composition II 0 cr
This high beginner course is the second of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in composition. Students will go beyond the minimal 8-sentence basic paragraph taught at the end of Level 1 to writing more substantive and sophisticated paragraphs. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level A2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 031 or ELC 021 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 023  Composition III 0 cr
This low intermediate course is the third of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in composition. Level 3 begins as a review of the paragraph and then makes the transition to multi-paragraph compositions which are in effect simple essays. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level B1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 039 or ELC 022 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 024  Composition IV 0 cr
This high intermediate course is the fourth level of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in expository composition. In Level 4, students will go beyond writing the rhetorically looser multi-paragraph compositions encountered in Level 3 and begin to write formal but basic essays of four or five paragraphs. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level B2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 053 or ELC 023 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 025  Composition V 0 cr
This advanced course is the fifth level of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in expository composition. Students in Level 5 are being prepared for English 101 and will go beyond writing the basic five-paragraph essay of Level 4 to composing more formal and complex five-paragraph essays in various rhetorical patterns. The class will also give students a foundation in research and documentation methodologies. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level C1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 061 or ELC 024 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 030  Foundations Grammar 0 cr
This novice course is designed to introduce students with very limited English to the basics of English grammar and syntax, dealing with a fundamental knowledge of the parts of speech and verb forms needed to form simple sentences.

ELC 031  Grammar I 0 cr
This beginning course is the first of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in grammar and syntax. The focus will be on present tense statements and questions. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level A1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 031 or ELC 030 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 032  Grammar II 0 cr
This high beginner course is the second of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in grammar and syntax. Students will learn the verb forms needed to talk about the past, present, and future. They will also learn to form complex sentences using dependent clauses. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level A2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 039 or ELC 032 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 033  Grammar III 0 cr
This low intermediate course is the third of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in grammar and syntax. The course focuses on verb tenses (present, past, and future) in simple, progressive, and perfect forms. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level B1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assessment 053 or ELC 032 Minimum Grade of C.
ELC 034  Grammar IV  0 cr
This high intermediate course is the fourth of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in grammar and syntax. In this class, students will continue to learn formal grammatical structures that are encountered in academic reading. Students will begin forming verbs in the passive voice, as well as using models to express wishes and suggestions. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level B2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 053 or ELC 033 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 035  Grammar V  0 cr
This advanced course is the fifth of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in grammar and syntax. This course will prepare students for English 101 and expose students to conditionals, the use of infinitives vs. gerunds, and all types of phrases and clauses. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level C1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 061 or ELC 034 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 040  Foundations Oral Skills  0 cr
This novice course is designed to expose students to speaking and listening skills needed for success in everyday life. The course will focus on pronunciation and basic vocabulary development through the use of conversations and dialogues.

ELC 041  Oral Skills I  0 cr
This beginning course is the first of a five-level sequence of courses designed to develop speaking and listening skills needed for success in everyday life. The course will focus on improving fluency, comprehension, pronunciation, and basic vocabulary development through the use of conversations and dialogues. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level A1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 030 or ELC 040 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 042  Oral Skills II  0 cr
This high beginner course is the second of a five-level sequence of courses designed to develop speaking and listening skills needed for success in academic work and everyday life. The course will focus on improving fluency, comprehension, pronunciation, and basic vocabulary development through the use of conversations and dialogues. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level A2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 031 or ELC 041 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 043  Oral Skills III  0 cr
This low intermediate course is the third of a five-level sequence of courses designed to develop speaking and listening skills needed for success in academic work and everyday life. The course will focus on improving fluency, comprehension, pronunciation, and academic vocabulary through the use of lectures, academic discussions, conversations, and short presentations. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level B1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 039 or ELC 042 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 044  Oral Skills IV  0 cr
This high intermediate course is the fourth of a five-level sequence of courses designed to develop speaking and listening skills needed for success in academic work. The course will focus on improving fluency, comprehension, pronunciation, and academic vocabulary through the use of lectures, academic discussions, and presentations. Note-taking skills will also be developed. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level B2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 053 or ELC 043 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 045  Oral Skills V  0 cr
This advanced course is the fifth of a five-level sequence of courses designed to develop speaking and listening skills needed for success in academic work. The course will focus on improving fluency, comprehension, pronunciation, and academic vocabulary through the use of lectures, academic discussions, and presentations. Note-taking skills will also be developed. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level C1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 061 or ELC 044 Minimum Grade of C. ELC 044 can be taken concurrently with this course.

ELC 050  Foundations Reading  0 cr
ELC 051  Reading I  0 cr
This beginning course is the first level of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in reading comprehension. Students will read texts of 200-300 words, acquire basic reading skills and expand their basic vocabulary. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level A1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 030 or ELC 050 Minimum Grade of C.
ELC 052  Reading II  0 cr
This high beginner course is the second level of a five-level sequence of courses designed to improve student competencies in reading comprehension and vocabulary acquisition. Students will read and understand straightforward texts of multiple paragraphs (300-400 words) and acquire general reading and vocabulary skills needed for comprehension. Students will practice the reading skills of previewing, skimming, scanning, dictionary usage, and guessing meanings of unfamiliar vocabulary. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level A2.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 031 or ELC 051 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 053  Reading III  0 cr
This Low intermediate course is the third level of a five-level sequence of course designed to improve student competencies in reading comprehension and vocabulary acquisition. Students will read texts and acquire general reading and vocabulary skills needed to refine their understanding of increasingly difficult texts. Focus of vocabulary will increasinglt shift from the General Service List corpus to the Academic Word List. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference Level B1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 039 or ELC 052 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 054  Reading IV  0 cr
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 053 or ELC 053 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 055  Reading V  0 cr
This advanced course is the fifth level of a level sequence of course designed to improve student competencies in reading comprehension. Students will read and understand unadapted academic literature of multiple pages (1,000-1,200 words) from a variety of fields and acquire general reading and vocabulary skills needed for comprehension at that level. Vocabulary will be derived almost exclusively from the Academic Word List. Students successfully completing Level 5 should be prepared for the kinds of reading that they will encounter in the University. This course corresponds with Common European Frame of Reference level C1.
Pre-requisite: Cambridge MI Lang Assesment 061 or ELC 054 Minimum Grade of C.

ELC 090  ELC Directed Study  0 cr
Topics of special interest to the student may be pursued on a tutorial basis. Arrangements must be made prior to registration. Permission of the Director is required. This course will be equivalent to a one credit course, with twelve hours of direct instruction.