Course Description:

An online advanced English grammar course for non-native speakers of English, designed to provide reinforcement of complex English structures and their syntactic, semantic, morphological, rhetorical and phonetic components through a communicative and metacognitive approach.

Objectives of the course:

By the end of the course the student will be able to:
1. Successfully employ dependent and independent clauses to express more complex relationships between ideas in oral/written communication.
2. Demonstrate comprehension of and correctly utilize the order of words in a noun clause and punctuation with quoted speech.
3. Demonstrate comprehension of how English connects components of information that are in a relationship of equality, time, or cause-effect, by correctly utilizing coordinating conjunctions and adverb clauses and phrases.
4. Demonstrate comprehension and accuracy in oral/written forms of adjective clauses and phrases and the conditional verb tense.

Procedure for Accomplishing these Objectives:

1. Students will participate asynchronously in lectures, analyzing/synthesizing the rules to build an understanding of the formulae of the grammar structures.
2. Hyperlinked materials will provide reinforcement in lieu of the Skills Center lab requirement.
3. Online thematic group discussion will provide practice in the written skills necessary to internalize the grammar structures.
4. Reading, writing and listening assignments online and in the text will reinforce the target grammar forms.
Student requirements for attendance and completion of the course:

To obtain a grade of ‘S’ (Satisfactory) students must:
1. Use the text and workbook for assigned tasks.
2. Complete and submit all discussion and written assignments by the assigned dates, with a grade of “1” (satisfactory).
3. Log onto the course 3-4 times per week
4. Achieve an average minimum grade of 75% each of the module tests.
5. Achieve a minimum grade of 75% on the final comprehensive exam.

Grading practices:

Participation in online discussions 20%
Assignments 20
Chapter tests (the lowest test grade to be dropped)) 36
Comprehensive final test 24
100%

Required Texts:

3rd edition. (blue)
BOTH the text and workbook are required for this class.

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COURSE SCHEDULE: Our week begins on Tuesday and ends on Monday
See each individual module for the specific due dates for assignments and chapter tests.

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