Suffolk Community College
Eastern Campus
ESL014 sect. 91451 Intensive ESL Grammar II

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Tues. & Thurs. 12:30-1:45pm
No Class: Tues. Sept. 15th (All College Day)
(Sept. 1st –Dec. 17th)
Thurs. Nov. 26th (Thanksgiving)
Corchaug room #003

Text: Understanding and Using English Grammar
(Fourth edition) by Betty Schrampfer Azar
Workbook optional

Description of Course:
In this intensive grammar course for students whose native language is not English, you will learn complex sentence structures, which will help you to gain near-native proficiency in reading, writing, understanding, and speaking English.

Objectives:
Throughout this course, you will learn how to:
• Use modals (may/must/could/would) appropriately.
• Use the passive voice appropriately.
• Know the difference between independent and dependent clauses.
• Combine simple sentences into complex and/or compound sentences using noun clauses, adjective clauses (who/which/that), adverb clauses (after/before/because), and modifying phrases.
• Use transition words (therefore/however/otherwise) appropriately in your writing.
• Correctly use the three forms of the conditional (if clauses).

Procedures for Accomplishing Objectives:
• In the Azar book we will cover chapters 10-13 and chapters 17-20, which deal with modals, the passive voice, clauses, and complex sentence structures.
• Homework: Exercises form the text and other supplementary material may be given for homework after each class. We will go over homework exercises in class to review grammar points. I will collect all homework. You must complete all the homework exercises. They will count toward your final grade.

Criteria for Passing the Course:
• Exams: (These exam dates are tentative and subject to change.)
Chapter 10 & 11—Thurs. Sept. 24th
Chapter 12—Tues. Oct. 13th
Chapter 13—Tues. Nov. 3rd

Chapter 17 & 18—Tues. Nov. 24th

Final Exam (all chapters including chapters 19 & 20)—Thurs. Dec. 17th
You must show up for all the exams. If you need to miss an exam because of sickness or an emergency, you must call me the same day to arrange to make up the exam. You must make up the exam within one week. Otherwise, you will have to repeat the course.

- **Academic Skills Center:** You are required to spend 14 hours using ESL materials in the Skills Center (Orient rm.234). You must complete at least 7 hours by mid-semester (Oct. 20th). You are expected to do at least one hour of lab each week.

**Class Policies/Rules:**
- **Attendance:** No more than 3 un-excused absences. Lateness may also count as a partial absence. If you need to miss class because of sickness or emergency, you should call my home number before class. If you miss class, you are still responsible for the material covered in class and for any assignments, so call another student or the teacher to find out about any missed assignments or homework.

**Your Grade:**
The grades for this course and all other credit ESL courses consist of the following:
S (satisfactory)
R (repeat)
W (withdrawn)
U (unsatisfactory)
INC (incomplete)

To pass the course, you need ALL of the following:
- An overall test average of at least 75%
- 70% or better on at least 4 of the 5 exams
- 70% or better on the final exam
- Homework exercises (up to 3 bonus points or points off if you miss more than three)
- No more than 3 un-excused absences
- To complete 14 lab hours