



ELD 078 Vocabulary for Academic Study
Course Outline – Fall 2020
Sept 17th – Nov 26th

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| Instructor: | Patrick Maguire |
| Class Time: | Tuesday and Thursday 11:30 a.m. – 13:20 p.m. |
| Format: | on-line course via D2L & textbook website |
| Office Hours: | Monday-Friday: online; by appointment |
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Required Text

Building Vocabulary Skills, 5/e, with Vocabulary Plus by Comodromos & Langan (Townsend)

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Available for on-line order through Camosun Bookstore

Course Description

This course focuses on vocabulary acquisition for academic purposes. Students will expand their academic vocabulary and learn strategies for independently dealing with new words.

Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will be able to:

- Participate and communicate effectively using appropriate vocabulary in the Canadian post-secondary classroom:
- Demonstrate the ability to deal independently with the large volume of new words encountered in college level classes.
- Use dictionary skills, context clues, word analysis (prefixes, roots and suffixes), idioms, and common phrases to understand course content.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the difference between active and passive vocabulary.
- Through identification or use, demonstrate awareness of the roles of voice register in communication, word frequency, word parts, words that are always used in specific combinations, and multiple meanings.

Evaluation –

- Major Quizzes (Midterm & Final): 50%
- Minor Quizzes, Participation, Attendance: 50%

Grading

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| A+ = 95 - 100% | B = 75 - 79% | D = 50 - 59% |
| A = 90 - 94% | B- = 70 - 74% | F = 0.0 - 49% |
| A- = 85 - 89% | C+ = 65 - 69% | |
| B+ = 80 - 84% | C = 60 - 64% | |

Please ensure you are familiar with the Standards of Academic Progress found on the link below:
<http://camosun.ca/about/policies/education-academic/e-1-programming-and-instruction/e-1.1.pdf>

Important Information:

1. To successfully fulfill the requirements of the course and receive a passing grade (60%), all tests and assignments must be completed.
2. Except in cases of verified illness or other legitimate reasons, all homework and assignments must be done when due. If for some valid reason you have difficulty meeting a deadline, you must inform the instructor **before the due date** by e-mail. Failure to inform the instructor may result in being denied a mark for work missed.
3. Online participation is important for successful completion of this course. If you cannot attend a session because of illness or for some other valid reason, please contact the teacher or have another student relay the message.

There is an Academic Progress Policy designed to enhance a learner's likelihood of success. Students should become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

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The ELD Department also has specific **Academic Progress and Attendance Requirements**. See the attached handout.

4. All assignments must be completed entirely by the student(s). Work that is copied or pasted in from another source, done in whole or in part by another person, or fixed and edited by another person is plagiarism – the theft of another person's ideas. **Plagiarized work will result in a zero grade for the assignment.** In extreme cases, plagiarism will result in a failing grade for the course
5. As a courtesy to the class, please observe the Collaborate protocols when in session.
6. Students may not use recording devices without the prior permission of the instructor. However, the instructor's permission is not required when the use of a recording device is sanctioned by the College's Resource Centre for Students with Disabilities in order to accommodate a student's disability and when the instructor has been provided with an instructor notification letter which specifies the use of a recording device. Recordings made are for the student's personal use only, and distribution of recorded material is prohibited.
7. No electronic devices (electronic dictionaries, cell phones, etc.) can be used during tests and most assignments (at the discretion of the instructor).