



**Language Institute
Thammasat University
EL 311 English for Health Science 2
Course Outline for Online Teaching
Semester 2/2020**

Pre-requisite: EL211 English for Health Science 1

Course Description:

A course to practice listening to lectures, academic discussions, writing correspondence, writing medical certificates and medical articles, communicating in English with co-workers, patients and relatives.

Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to

1. identify the main idea, supporting details, cohesive devices, abstract concepts, and concrete information of long, authentic health-science passages.
2. distinguish between facts and opinions, make inferences, and draw conclusions using deduction and induction when reading long, authentic health-science passages.
3. identify the main idea and supporting details of a lecture and analyze listening texts with regard to different aspects, e.g. a speaker's degree of certainty, intention, opinions, etc.
4. develop different types of well-organized essays related to health science, i.e. process, exemplification, cause-and-effect, argumentative, comparison/contrast essay.
5. construct structurally complex sentences and health-science texts using various academic writing devices, e.g. defining language, linking adverbials, passive constructions, formal language, hedging techniques, etc.
6. perform a variety of speaking tasks related to health science, e.g. summarize and present the main points of academic articles, give examples, use notes and assess audiences needs in academic oral presentations.

Textbook/Teaching Materials:

EL 311 English for Health Science 2 by Associate Professor Dr. Supakorn Phoocharoensil

NOTE:

- The printed book is available at TU Bookstore

http://www.thammasatpress.tu.ac.th/wp_tupress/product/english-for-health-sciences-ii/

- E-book is available at [https://www.se-ed.com/product/English-for-health-sciences-II-\(I-PDF\).aspx?no=9786163144089&nomobile=true](https://www.se-ed.com/product/English-for-health-sciences-II-(I-PDF).aspx?no=9786163144089&nomobile=true)

Active Learning Activities:

This course has incorporated a variety of practical learning activities to enable the learners get the best chances of learning. These activities include academic discussions, oral presentations, individual and group work.

Course Evaluation:

• Attendance and Participation	20	points
• Midterm Examination (Online)	60	points
• Final Examination (Online)	60	points
• Assignments		
- <i>Written assignments</i>		
1. <i>Individual Writing</i>	20	points
2. <i>Group Writing</i>	20	points
- <i>Final Presentation (Group)</i>	20	points
Total	200	points

Attendance Policy:

1. Students are required to attend at least 80% of the total class hours. They cannot be absent more than 3 times before the midterm examination and 3 times before the final examination.
2. For each incidence of lateness 1 point will be deducted each time a student sign-in late to the online class. For each **unexcused absence or signing in without attending and participating in the online class, 2 points will be deducted.**

Plagiarism Policy:

Students of Thammasat University are required to refrain from any kind of plagiarism, i.e. an act of copying other people's work, such as language, thoughts, or expressions, without crediting the original author(s). Copying any sentences or paragraphs from any sources, e.g. websites, books, etc., and pasting them into students' assignments are thus considered cheating, which will result in a mark of zero for the assignment or even an F grade.

Instructors, Times, and Venues:

*****All classes are conducted by using zoom or Google Meets as the main teaching and learning platforms.**

Sec 820001: Mon 13:30—16:30	Asst. Prof. Dr. Kittitouch Soontornwipast
Sec 820002: Mon 13:30—16:30	Ajarn Kriengkrai Sakulprasertsri
Sec 820003: Mon 13:30—16:30	Ajarn William Scobie

Tentative Teaching Schedule:

Class begins: 18 January, 2021

Class ends: 3 May, 2021

Midterm Examination (Online): Monday 1, March, 2021 (13:30—16:30)

Final Examination (Online): Monday 10, May, 2021 (13:00—16:00)

Add/Drop Period: 25 - 29 January, 2021
Drop/Withdraw Period: 24 March -6 May, 2021

***Remarks: No classes on the following holidays:**

- 26 February 2021 Makha Bucha Day
- 6 April 2021 Chakri Memorial Day
- 12 – 18 April 2021 Songkran Week
- 4 May 2021 Coronation Day
- 10 May 2021 Royal Ploughing Ceremony

Weekly Online Teaching Schedule

Date Time	Week	Unit Contents
Mon. 18 Jan. 2021	Week 1	Course Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How to prepare for online study - Course textbook - Course content
Mon. 25 Jan. 2021	Week 2	Unit 1: What is Health Science? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading comprehension - Comprehension check - Vocabulary check - References - Reading skill: skimming - Listening
Mon. 1 Feb. 2021	Week 3	Unit 1 (continue) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language Focus and Writing - Writing skill development - Speaking - Classwork/Homework
Mon. 8 Feb. 2021	Week 4	Unit 2: Cinnamon’s Incredible Benefits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading comprehension - Comprehension check - Vocabulary check - References - Reading skill: scanning - Listening
Mon. 15 Feb. 2021	Week 5	Unit 2 (continue) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language Focus and Writing - Writing skill development - Speaking - Classwork/Homework
Mon. 22 Feb. 2021	Week 6	Unit 3: Unhealthy Sleep <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading comprehension - Comprehension check - Vocabulary check - References - Reading skill: coherence and cohesion - Listening

Mon. 1 Mar. 2021	Week 7	Unit 3 (continue) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language Focus and Writing - Writing skill development - Speaking - Classwork/Homework Midterm Examination Review
Mon. 8 Mar. 2021	Week 8	Midterm Examination (Online) : 13:30—16:30 hours
Mon. 15 Mar. 2021	Week 9	Unit 4: Selfies: Oral Health Care Improvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading comprehension - Comprehension check - Vocabulary check - References - Reading skill: Identifying abstract concepts and concrete information - Listening
Mon. 22 Mar. 2021	Week 10	Unit 4 (continue) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language Focus and Writing - Writing skill development - speaking - Classwork/Homework
Mon. 29 Mar. 2021	Week 11	Unit 5: Pet exposure may reduce allergy and obesity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading comprehension - Comprehension check - Vocabulary check - References - Reading skill: guessing word meaning from context - Listening
Mon. 5 April 2021	Week 12	Unit 5 (continue) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language Focus and Writing - Writing skill development - Speaking - Classwork/Homework
Mon. 12 April 2021	Week 13	12 - 18 April, 2021: Semester Break (Songkran Festival) All classes are cancelled.
Mon. 19 April 2021	Week 14	Unit 6: The Value of Second Opinion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading comprehension - Comprehension check - Vocabulary check - References - Reading skill: Distinguishing between facts and options - Listening
Mon. 26 April 2021	Week 15	Unit 6 (continue) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Language Focus and Writing - Writing skill development - Speaking - Classwork/Homework
Mon. 3 May 2021	Week 16	Final Presentation and Examination review

Mon. 10 May 2021		Final Examination (Online) : 13:00 - 16:00 hours
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Assignments

1. Written assignments 40 points

1.1 Individual Writing (20 points)

Direction: Write a process essay on one of the topics below.

- How to reduce stress
- How to study health science successfully
- Ways to fight the COVID-19
- Ways to protect your teeth

1.2 Group Writing (20 points)

Direction: Work in a group of 4-5. Then write a cause-effect essay on one of the topics below.

- Effects of PM 2.5 on health
- Impacts of stress on health
- Causes of heart disease
- Impacts of eating fast-food on health

2. Final Presentation (Group) 20 points

Directions:

- Work in a group of 4-5.
- Choose one topic related to health science issues.
- Create a content for 10-minute oral presentation.
- Record a group presentation using zoom or Google Meets or other platforms.
NOTE: Each member has to present his or her face when giving a presentation otherwise the point will be deducted for his or her part.
- Present the final presentation on **Monday May 3rd, 2021.**

How to study online:

- 1) Set up your own study space well **in advance** of the online class.
- 2) Make sure your study space is a quiet place where you can **concentrate** without being disturbed by family members or housemates.
- 3) **Test your camera and microphone before class.** You must have both a camera and microphone. Both must work.
- 4) Your camera should be **switched on** at all times, unless your teacher tells you to switch it off.
- 5) If you are worried about your **privacy** in MS Team, Zoom or Google, use a virtual background.
- 6) **Dress and behave appropriately - the same as you would dress and behave in a face-to-face class.** Your online class is a public place.
- 7) **Mics should be muted** at the start of class and while others are talking - unless your teacher tells you something different.
- 8) Make sure that your teacher can identify you by **using your real name and your ID** number as your online name in MS Team, Zoom and also in the Google Classroom.
- 9) Your teacher will take **attendance** using a variety of methods including screenshots and roll calls. Make sure you are really present! If your teacher calls your name and you do not answer, you will be marked absent.
- 10) It is your responsibility to ensure that you have **reliable internet**, and working equipment, especially *before* any quizzes/exams. If you have a problem, it is your responsibility to get evidence about the problem (ex. a screenshot) and contact your teacher as quickly as possible.