

Arab Academy for Science and Technology and Maritime Transport
Computer Science Curriculum
Course Syllabus

Course Code: LH135	Course Title: English for Specific Purposes I	Classification: R	Coordinator's Name: Dr. Aliaa Taher Lecturer: Dr. Aliaa Taher	Credit Hours: 3
Pre-requisites: None	Co-requisites: None	Schedule: Lecture: 2 hours Tutorial: 2 hours		
Office Hours: (Room G110) Wednesday 8:30 am – 10:30 am				
Course Description: This course aims at developing the four major language skills of reading, listening, speaking, and writing through exposure to computing & IT discourse. Thus, students should be able to read, listen to and comprehend technical English. They should also be able to use technical discourse effectively to communicate orally and produce academic paragraphs. The course also aims at enabling students to master and apply different language functions.				
Textbook: Glendinning, Eric H, and John Mc Ewan., <i>Oxford English for Information Technology</i> , Oxford University Press.				
References: Oshima, Alice and Ann Hogue. <i>Writing Academic English</i> , Addison-Wesley Publishing Company.				
Course Objective/Course Learning Outcome:			Contribution to Program Student Outcomes:	
1. Gain a sufficient stock of computing and IT vocabulary.			SO3 – Communicate effectively in a variety of professional contexts	

2. Read technical texts effectively and apply essential reading skills. 3. Employ different language functions and grammatical structures. 4. Use technical terms in producing varied writing tasks. 5. Listen to interviews, discussions and lectures on computing and IT topics for gist and specific information and also take down notes. 6. Write coherent and well-developed paragraphs. 7. Engage in discussions and different speaking activities.	
Course Outline: 1. Week 1: Unit 1 "Technology in use" 2. Week 2: Unit 2 "A Typical PC" + Unit 3 "A Types of Computer Systems" 3. Week 3: Unit 4 "Input devices: Type, click and talk!" + Listening material 4. Week 4: Writing Academic English (Writing process + Writing a Topic sentence) pp. 2 – 13 + Extra 5. Week 5: Presentation skills + Reading supplementary 1 + ungraded presentations 6. Week 6: handout on supporting details workshops 7. Week 7: 7th Week examination 8. Week 8: Unit 5 "Input devices: the eyes of your PC" + Graded Workshop 9. Week 9: Unit 6 " Output devices: Printers" + Listening material	10. Week 10: Writing Academic English (The Concluding sentence) pp. 13 – 17 + (Unity & Coherence) pp. 18 – 23 11. Week 11: Writing Academic English (Consistent pronouns & Transition signals) pp 24 – 31 + Ungraded writing workshop 12. Week 12: Unit 4 " Engineering Design" pp. 30 – 33 13. Week 13: Unit 8 " Processing" + Reading supplementary 2 + 12th week Exam 14. Week 14: Unit 9 " Disks and drives" + Graded writing workshop + Listening material 15. Week 15: Unit 10 " Health and safety" + Unit 11 " Operating Systems and the GUI" 16. Week 16: Final Examination

Grade Distribution:

7th Week Assessment (30%):

Exam (25%) + Presentations (5%)

12th Week Assessment (20%):

Exam (15%) + Writing (5%)

Coursework (10%):

Assignments (5%) + Participation (5%)

Final Exam (40%)

Policies:**Attendance:**

AASTMT Education and Study Regulations (available at aast.edu)

Academic Honesty:

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Late Submission:

Late submissions are graded out of 75% (1 week late), 50% (2 weeks late), 25% (3 weeks late), 0% (more than 3 weeks late)