

EAP 1560C Syllabus

High Intermediate Structure for Non-Native Speakers of English

Semester: Spring 2016	Professor: Michelle Snider
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Class Location: Building 5, Room 215 BlackBoard: Used for course resources and posting of assignment’s grades	Office hours/Appointments: Contact the professor by email to make an appointment.

Required texts/materials

- 1) Understanding and Using English Grammar (4th ed.) ISBN: 0132333333
- 2) Azar Interactive Student Access <http://azarinteractive.longmanhomeusa.com/>
 - Course Access ID: **iu66-qnfn-qpaa-qe9e**

Suggested additional texts/materials: 1) College level dictionary, 2) three ring standard size 1” or 1½” binder, and 3) a package of scantrons.

Prerequisite(s): Demonstration of required level of English proficiency or minimum grade of C in EAP 460

Corequisite(s): None

Course Description/Objective

Students develop the ability to use high intermediate grammatical structures, verb tenses, and parts of speech appropriate to writing and speaking. Required lab work is a homework component of this course. Minimum grade of C is required for successful completion in course work. Credit does not apply toward any associate degree.

Competencies

- (1) Correctly identify, use, and edit simple tenses: simple present, simple past, simple future ("will" and "going to")
- (2) Correctly identify, use, and edit perfect tenses: Present perfect (unspecific time in the past with ever/never/yet/already and action beginning in the past and continuing to the present with for/since), past perfect, future perfect
- (3) Correctly identify, use and edit progressive and perfect progressive tenses: present progressive, past progressive, future progressive, present perfect progressive, past perfect progressive
- (4) Correctly identify, use, and edit in all tenses: non-action verbs, irregular verbs, time clauses, passive voice, question formations, negative formations, modals, comparative use of tenses
- (5) Correctly identify, use, and edit: parts of speech, comparatives vs. superlatives, participial adjectives, real and unreal conditionals, gerunds vs. infinitives

Valencia's Core Competencies

In addition to specific EAP objectives, the course will reinforce the following Valencia competencies wholly or partially.

1. **Think** – Think clearly, critically, and creatively, analyze, synthesize, integrate and evaluate in many domains of human inquiry.
 2. **Value** – Make reasoned judgments and responsible commitments.
 3. **Act** – Act purposefully, effectively, and responsibly.
 4. **Communicate** – Communicate with different audiences using varied means.
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GRADING

Grades

EAP courses use a ten-point scale, with C as the minimum passing and advancement grade for each course. Grades that satisfy the EAP course requirement:

A 90-100%

B 80-89%

C 70-79%

Grades that do not satisfy the EAP course requirement:

D 60-69%

F 0-59%

Grading Scale

Lab	20%
Assigned Homework	20%
Quizzes	20%
Midterm Exam	15%
Final Exam	25%
Total:	100%

Lab (20%)

Lab assignments are an additional homework component of this course and are assigned weekly. You will use the **Azar Interactive** program to complete the lab assignments.

Assigned Homework (20%)

Homework is given to complete outside of class time that will have them practice targeted grammar. During the course, students will be responsible for incorporating targeted structures into basic **writing** on various topics.

All assignments must be completed and turned in at the start of class. Once I have collected papers and put them away, you will have to turn in your assignment at the start of the next class. If you are absent on the day an assignment is due, your assignment is still due; please email the assignment to your instructor at the start of the scheduled class time.

Quizzes (20%)

Quizzes are given to assess accuracy of knowledge of content and targeted grammar.

Midterm(15%)

The midterm exam is a college-wide departmental exam.

Final Exam (25%)

The final exam is a college-wide departmental exam.

NOTE: You must have an average overall grade of 70% or higher on all the coursework in order to pass this course. The final exam will take place in the classroom.

You are 100% responsible for obtaining materials, assignments, information that you miss if you are absent from or late to class.

Extra Credit

There is **NO CURVE** for any test. Extra credit is normally not given; it may be offered to the entire class at the discretion of the instructor.

Make-up Policy and Procedure

If you **miss a quiz or test**, you must **contact the instructor** to arrange a time to make-up the quiz or test *by/during* the next class meeting. If you do not communicate with the instructor *by/during* the next class meeting, you will not be allowed to make-up the quiz or test and will earn a zero.

Late work Policy

Late work (Homework and labs) can be submitted up to one week after the due date. 20% will be deducted from the grade for any work turned in late. No late work will be accepted more than one week after the assignment due date.

CLASSROOM POLICIES

Communication

Contact the professor by email to make an appointment. Allow a 48 hour waiting time before receiving a response during the work week. I will only answer student emails from your Atlas account and Blackboard, in order to minimize the risk of computer-virus transfers. I will delete unread emails from all other sources.

Valencia College is committed to providing each student a quality educational experience. Faculty members have set high standards of instruction for themselves and for you. If you have a problem in a class, your first step is to talk to your instructor. If you are still dissatisfied, you may talk with the academic dean of the division for your class. We will work together to resolve any issues that arise.

Attendance and Participation

In order to maintain a positive learning environment in the classroom, certain guidelines must be followed:

- Participate in all activities and discussions. **Participation includes** paying attention, taking notes, actively engaging in class activities, having a positive attitude, and not talking out of turn. Show respect for fellow students and the instructor at all times.
Three absences will be allowed with no questions asked to allow for medical or personal emergencies. **After three absences**, you will be notified via Atlas.
 - The professor will not withdraw any student for any reason; it is the responsibility of the student to withdraw themselves before the withdrawal deadline and to be aware of the date of the withdrawal deadline.
 - If you **miss class due to an emergency** or illness, be sure to contact the professor by email, and arrange to turn in any assignments due during that time period.
- Arrive to class on time and ready to learn. **Students arriving late to class or leaving early disrupt the learning process for everyone else in the class**; therefore, late arrivals and early departures will be documented, with four cases counting as an absence. Any student who arrives 15 minutes late or more will be marked

- **Cell Phones/Electronics** – Please silence cell phones upon entering class and leave cell phones and other electronic devices out of sight during class. This means no texting! Only in an emergency should you excuse yourself to take a call or text for a few minutes. Failure to follow these guidelines will result in removal from the class.

No-Show Policy

Because of Valencia College’s Start Right policy, students must attend the first week of classes or be counted as a ‘No Show.’ A student cannot start class the second week. A student who does not attend the first two class meetings will be marked “No-Show” and will be officially withdrawn from the class during the No-Show Reporting Period from Wednesday, Jan. 20th, to Friday, the 29th. There will be no exceptions (unless due to emergency with official written documentation). If you are withdrawn as a “no show,” you will be financially responsible for the class and a ‘R’ will appear on your transcript for the course. In order to get a refund for the course, students must withdraw from the class in Atlas by the Drop/Refund Deadline on Tuesday, Jan. 19th, at 11:59 pm. After that date, refunds will not be issued.

POLICY STATEMENTS

Classroom Conduct

This is a college classroom, and you and your classmates are here to develop college-level reading proficiency and vocabulary. Therefore, workplace behavior is required: behaviors that hinder (block, interrupt) instruction and/or create a negative classroom atmosphere will **not** be tolerated. If you are doing **anything** “to impair, interfere with, or obstruct the orderly conduct, processes, and functions of the college,” you may be referred to the Dean of Communications and/or the West Campus Provost. Refer to Valencia’s “Student Code of Conduct” policies and procedures for more information at http://valenciacollege.edu/generalcounsel/policy/default.cfm?policyID=180&volumeID_1=8&navst=0

**Any student disrupting class or talking out-of-turn will be given a warning. If the disruptive behavior continues, a second warning will be given. If the disruptive behavior continues after the second warning, the student will be asked to leave class and will be counted as absent. If the behavior continues as the semester progresses, I will ask you to leave and not return until you have met with the Dean of Communications (Dr. Elizabeth Renn)*

Academic Honesty

Students must do work which is completely a result of their own efforts - NO EXCEPTIONS. Plagiarism is copying someone else’s ideas or work without permission.

- The **first instance** of proven plagiarism will result in your receiving an F for the assignment or test.
- The **second instance** of plagiarism will result in an F in the course.

**** While you might complete some of the assignments in this course outside of class, all assignments must be your original work. Only seek assistance with assignments during the revision process. While some of the assignments in this course allow you to work in small groups, most assignments will require individual effort. Unless I explicitly state that you may work with other students on an assignment or a test, you should assume that you should complete the assignment on your own**

Proven cheating on the final exam/state competency exam (whether it is the first or second instance) will result in an automatic F in the course.

- It is the student's responsibility to keep his/her answer sheet covered during objective tests. Failure to keep an answer sheet covered will be considered as aiding cheating. Such behavior will lead to the consequences stated earlier in this note.

Each student is required to follow Valencia policy regarding academic honesty. All work submitted by students is expected to be the result of the student's individual thoughts, research, and self-expression unless the assignment specifically states 'group project.

Refer to Valencia's "Academic Dishonesty" policies and procedures for more information at http://valenciacollege.edu/generalcounsel/policy/default.cfm?policyID=193&volumeID_1=8&navst=0

Students with Special Needs

Your success is very important to me! I encourage all of my students who feel they may need some type of accommodation due to a disability or special leaning need to meet with or contact me by email during the first week of the semester so that we can work together to address it. Students with disabilities who qualify for academic accommodations must provide a Notification to Instructor (NTI) form from the Office for Students with Disabilities (SSB, Rm 102, phone 407-582-1523 and Fax: 407-582-1326) and discuss specific needs with the professor, preferably during the first two weeks of class; accommodations will not be applied retroactively. The Office for Students with Disabilities determines accommodations based on appropriate documentation of disabilities.

Security Statement

We want to reassure you that our security officers are here around the clock to ensure the safety and security of the campus community. It's important to remain alert and aware of your surroundings, especially during the early morning or evening hours. Remember that you can always call security for an escort if you feel uncomfortable walking alone on campus. White security phones can also be found in many of our buildings; simply pick up the phone and security will answer.

Finally, report any suspicious persons to West Campus Security at 407-582-1000, 407-582-1030 (after-hours number) or by using the yellow emergency call boxes located on light poles in the parking lots and along walkways.

Baycare Behavioral Health's Student Assistance Program

Valencia is committed to making sure all our students have a rewarding and successful college experience. To that purpose, Valencia students can get immediate help that may assist them with psychological issues dealing with stress, anxiety, depression, adjustment difficulties, substance abuse, time management as well as relationship problems dealing with school, home or work. Students have 24 hour unlimited access to the **Baycare Behavioral Health's confidential student assistance program** phone counseling services by calling **(800) 878-5470**. Three free confidential face-to-face counseling sessions are also available to students.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Drop/Refund** deadline – January 19th
- **Withdraw deadline** for "W" grade – April 1st by 11:59 pm
 - A student who withdraws from class before the **withdrawal deadline of __April 1st __** will receive a grade of "W." A faculty member is permitted to withdraw a student from the faculty member's class up to the beginning of the final exam period, for violation of the faculty member's attendance policy, as published in the faculty member's syllabus. A student is not permitted to withdraw from this class after the withdrawal deadline; if you remain in the class after the withdrawal deadline, you can only receive a grade of A, B, C, D, F or I. An I grade will only be assigned under extraordinary circumstances that occur near the end of the semester. If you receive an I, the work missed must be made up

during the following semester, at which time you will get an A, B,C,D or F. Failure to make up the work during the following semester will result in you getting a grade of F in the course. Any student who withdraws from this class during a third or subsequent attempt in this course will be assigned a grade of “F.” *The professor will not withdraw any student for any reason; it is the responsibility of the student to withdraw themselves before the withdrawal deadline and to be aware of the date of the withdrawal deadline.*”

For a complete policy and procedure overview on Valencia Policy 4-07 please go to:

http://valenciacollege.edu/generalcounsel/policy/default.cfm?policyID=75&volumeID_1=4&navst=0

- Students on financial aid should consult an advisor or counselor before withdrawing from a course; there may be financial implications to the student which he or she must know about to make an informed decision before withdrawing from a course. Students with some scholarships who withdraw or are withdrawn from a class must pay the college for the cost of the class. Other scholarship sponsors may also require repayment.
- **Midterm Exam:** Wednesday, Feb. 24th
- **Final Exam:** Monday, April 25, 1:00PM to 3:30PM.

Holidays:

- Monday, January 18th – College Closed (Martin Luther King Day)
- Monday, March 7th to Sunday, March 13th – College Closed (Spring Break)

**Changes in the syllabus and/or course outline may be made at any time during the term by announcement by the instructor.

EAP 1560 M/W Class Schedule Spring 2016-Mrs. Snider

Week 1	Monday (M) 1/11/16 Classmate Introductions Syllabus Review	Wednesday (W) 1/13/16 Diagnostic Test
Week 2	M 1/18/16 COLLEGE CLOSED	W 1/20/16 Lab Orientation (Meet in class)
Week 3	M 1/25/16 Ch. 1 Overview of Verb Tenses	W 1/27/16 Chapter 2 Present and Past time
Week 4	M 2/1/16 Chapter 2 Present and Past time	W 2/3/16 Ch 4 Future Time
Week 5	M 2/8/16 Ch 4 Future Time	W 2/10/16 Quiz 1 Ch 3The Present Perfect and The Past Perfect
Week 6	M 2/15/16 Ch 3The Present Perfect and The Past Perfect	W 2/17/16 Ch 3The Present Perfect and the Past Perfect Quiz 2
Week 7	M 2/22/16 Midterm Review	W 2/24/16 Multiple Choice Exam
Week 8	M 2/29/16 M Ch 9 Modals Part 1	W 3/2/16 Ch 9 Modals Part 1
SPRING BREAK		
Week 9	M 3/14/16 Ch 10 Modals Part 2	M 3/16/16 Ch 10 Modals Part 2
Week 10	M 3/21/16 Ch 9 Modals Part 1 Ch 10 Modals Part 2	M 3/23/16 Quiz 3 Ch 11 The Passive
Week 11	M 3/28/16 Ch 11 The Passive	W 3/30/16 Ch 11 The Passive
Week 12	M 4/4/16 Ch14 Gerunds and Infinitives Part 1	W 4/6/16 Ch 15 Gerunds and Infinitives Part 2
Week 13	M 4/11/16 Ch 20 Conditional Sentences and Wishes	W 4/13/16 Ch 20 Conditional Sentences and Wishes

Week 14	M 4/18/16 Ch 20 Conditional Sentences and Wishes Quiz 4	W 4/20/16 FINAL EXAM REVIEW
Week 15	M 4/25/16 Final Exam	

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