

**COURSE NUMBER:** English 7535/8535

**TITLE:** ESL Grammar

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**TEXT:** Byrd and Benson. *Applied English Grammar*. 1<sup>st</sup> ed.  
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**AIMS AND ORGANIZATION:** The primary objective of this course is to give participants an understanding of grammatical features of the English language that are most troublesome to non-native speakers. Those topics include the article system, the auxiliary system, the structure of idiomatic expressions and inflectional endings. Participants discover how to explain to the ESL learner those elements of the language that are routine and intuitive for native speakers of English. Participants also compare types of ESL grammar texts with respect to their linguistic bases.

**ASSIGNMENTS AND WRITTEN WORK:** The participants complete assignments and quizzes. Through short written assignments, they also demonstrate the ability to locate and label errors in ESL student writing.

Each module consists of readings, usually from the textbook and online sources, exercises to be submitted to the Dropbox, a quiz and discussion questions to be answered on the discussion board. Complete each module by the date indicated on the Modules page.