

ENGL 7/8535.001

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ESL Grammar

This course will help familiarize students with the basic structure of English, particularly those areas that cause most difficulty for non-native speakers. It will also help students become aware of the current theories and practices in grammar teaching for second and foreign language learners. Through readings, discussions, and activities, we will examine language aspects of English grammar that are commonly taught, helping teachers develop greater understanding of how these areas of English grammar work. We will identify common problems for learners that arise in using English grammar and consider ways of teaching that will help students in achieving greater accuracy. Throughout the course, students will have many opportunities to develop their understanding of the interrelationship of various levels and features of English structures, their ability to articulate these structures and relationships, and their skill in providing activities that will facilitate the acquisition of these structure by their future ESL/EFL students.