## ENGL 7/8535: ESL Grammar Dr. Rebecca Adams Online

## **Description:**

In ENGL 7535/8535, ESL Grammar, we focus on the nature of grammatical knowledge, considering what it means to develop linguistic competence in a second language. We focus on key aspects of English grammar, particularly those areas that cause most difficulty for non-native speakers, and consider linguistic to analyze their use in different genres of language use. Students will learn how form, meaning, and use of grammatical structures play a role in allowing English language learners to communicate effectively in English. We will also consider theory and practice associated with grammar teaching methods, including classroom and computer-based practices for promoting grammatical knowledge.

## **Objectives:**

In this course, students will:

- become familiar with grammatical terminology
- analyze linguistic data related to the form, meaning, and use of grammatical structures
- develop an understanding of how English syntax works to convey meaning.
- become aware of various techniques of teaching grammar to those whose first language is not English.
- be able to plan grammar-focused instruction for English language learners.