UNIVERSIDAD DE PUERTO RICO

English Department ENGL 3094

SYLLABUS

TITLE:	Conversational English for Professionals
COURSE CODE:	INGL 3094
CONTACT HOURS/CREDIT HOUR:	3 hours per week / 3 credits
REQUIREMENTS:	Basic English (INGL 3101-3102), Intermediate English (INGL 3103-3104), or Honor English (INGL 3011-3012), and Conversational English (INGL 3093).
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Practice to develop the necessary skills to continue acquiring more vocabulary used in distinctive professional circumstances. The class is developed completely in English.

Learning Objectives:

A. General:

This course is designed to help students effectively emphasize all the principals involved in oral and written communication, typically required in certain professional fields.

B. Specific:

This course is designed for Industrial Psychology and Latin American Program students to reinforce the basic skills and structures of the English language that are necessary in the delivery and development of formal, effective, and professional language. Students will be able to perform satisfactorily in the following areas:

Listening/Speaking:

- 1. Broader development in comprehension and critical listening skills.
- 2. Practice extensively with the sounds, vocabulary, and stress patterns of the English language.
- 3. Overall self-improvements in articulation, enunciation, and pronunciation.

Conversation:

- 1. Constantly detect and avoid distracting gestures and defects in vocal mechanism.
- 2. Repeatedly reduce communication apprehension by continuous oral practice.
- 3. Frequently improve strengths and reduce weaknesses in the communication of others and oneself.
- 4. Effectively analyze, interpret, and respond to audience verbal and non-verbal communication.
- 5. Continuously deliver brief, informal and formal oral presentations.
- 6. Regularly converse with ease and self-confidence.
- 7. Successfully voice stand in all debates, controversies, and issues discussed.
- 8. Endlessly engage in everyday topics of conversation in order to enrich vocabulary and language skill.

Writing:

- 1. Develop a working vocabulary from exposure to written and oral material.
- 2. Create outlines for oral presentations.
- 3. Keep a record of the students' lectures, comments, and discussions.

Critical Thinking:

- 1. Use supporting material as evidence.
- 2. Understand and use appeals to logic, emotions, reliability, and values effectively.
- 3. Recognize and avoid logical fallacies in dialogues and in writing.
- 4. Argue and engage opposing viewpoints constructively.

LIBRO DE TEXTO PRINCIPAL: Handouts

Course Outline and Time Distribution

T		DISTRIBUCIÓN DEL TIEMPO			
TEMA	Presencial	Presencial Híbrido			
Introduction to the course	he 1.5 hours	1.5 hours	1.5 hours		
II. Evaluation on speaking apprehension	3.0 hours	3.0 hours	3.0 hours		
III. Effective interpretation an response*	d 20.0 hours	20.0 hours	20.0 hours		
IV. Active listening*	9.5 hours	9.5 hours	9.5 hours		
v. Proficient langua usage*	ge 12.0 hours	12.0 hours	12.0 hours		
Total, contact ho	ours 45 hours	45 hours (18 presenciales = 40% y 27 horas a distancia = 60%)	45 hours		

*Every class

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNIQUES:

Se podrán utilizar algunas de las siguientes:

In class	HYbrid	Online
1. Lectures by the teacher	1. Online instructional modules	1. Interactive instructional
2. Readings	2. Professional article readings online	modules
3. Group work	3. Instructional Videos	2. Professional article readings
4. Individual tasks	4. Group work	online
5. Assessment activities	5. Individual tasks	3. Instructional Videos
6. Practical activities	6. Assessment activities	4. Group work
7. Oral presentations	7. Practical activities	Individual tasks
	8. Oral presentations	6. Assessment activities
	9. Recorded and synchronous conferences	7. Practical activities
		8. Oral presentations
		9. Recorded lectures
		10. Synchronous meetings

RECURSOS MÍNIMOS DISPONIBLES O REQUERIDOS:					
Recurso	Presencial	HÍBRIDO	En línea		
Account in the institutional learning management platform (e.g. Moodle)	Institution	Institution	Institution		
Email account	Institution	Institution	Institution		
Computer with high-speed internet access or mobile device with data service	Student	Student	Student		
Programmed or applications: word processor, spreadsheets, presentation editor	Student	Student	Student		
Integrated or external speakers	Not applicable	Student	Student		
Cámara web o móvil con cámara y micrófono	Not applicable	Student	Student		

EVALUATION TECHNIQUE:

IN CLASS		Híbrido		EN LÍNEA		
Introduction Oral Presentation 10%		Introduction Oral Presentation 10%		Introduction Oral Presentation 10%		
Reports, Dialogues, Critiques	Reports, Dialogues, Critiques, and		Reports, Dialogues, Critiques, and		Reports, Dialogues, Critiques, and	
group work	20%	group work	20%	group work	20%	
Participation	30%	Participation	30%	Participation	30%	
Attendance	20%	Attendance	20%	Attendance	20%	
Written outlines, quizzes, an	Written outlines, quizzes, and		Written outlines, quizzes,		Written outlines, quizzes, and	
assignments	10%	and assignments	10%	assignments	10%	
Final Exam:		Final Exam:		Final Exam:		
Oral and written evaluation	10%	Oral and written evaluation	10%	Oral and written evaluation	10%	
Tot	al: 100%		Total: 100%	To	otal: 100%	

*Note: Certification 111-2014-2015 of the Governing Board defines a face-to-face course as: "Course in which 75% or more of instruction hours require the physical presence of students and the professor in the classroom." The remaining 25% may be covered using different educational strategies, among which are: visits related to the course, field experiences, excursions, and online activities, among others. It is the responsibility of the professor to provide evidence of all the activities with attendance sheets and assessment of these activities.

REASONABLE ACCOMODATION:

Students who are sheltered under Law 51 or receive vocational rehabilitation services that require reasonable accommodations must inform the professor at the beginning of the semester by bringing an official letter that is sent from the office that deals with the matters of persons with impediments at the university in order to offer the necessary accommodations in accordance to the specifications that are delineated in said document.

ACADEMIC INGEGRITY

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aforementioned behavior. Any of these behaviors will be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the disciplinary procedure laid down in the UPR Students General Bylaws.

Para velar por la integridad y seguridad de los datos de los usuarios, todo curso híbrido, a distancia y en línea deberá ofrecerse mediante la plataforma institucional de gestión de aprendizaje, la cual utiliza protocolos seguros de conexión y autenticación. El sistema autentica la identidad del usuario utilizando el nombre de usuario y contraseña asignados en su cuenta institucional. El usuario es responsable de mantener segura, proteger, y no compartir su contraseña con otras personas.

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«La Universidad de Puerto Rico prohíbe el discrimen por razón de sexo y género en todas sus modalidades, incluyendo el hostigamiento sexual. Según la Política Institucional contra el Hostigamiento Sexual en la Universidad de Puerto Rico, Certificación Núm. 130, 2014-2015 de la Junta de Gobierno, si un estudiante está siendo o fue afectado por conductas relacionadas a hostigamiento sexual, puede acudir ante la Oficina de Procuraduría Estudiantil, el Decanato de Estudiantes o la Coordinadora de Cumplimiento con Título IX para orientación y/o presentar una queja».

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GRADING SCALE

100% - 90% A

89% - 80% B

79% – 70% C

69% - 60% D

59% and lower F

CONTINGENCY PLAN

In the event of an emergency when classes are interrupted, the professor of this course Will activate the Contingency Plan for Academic Continuity.

REFERENCES

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