

ELA 100, Pronunciation Workshop

Details and Course Description

ELA 100 provides state-of-the-art online speech analysis and weekly individual coaching to international students and scholars seeking to develop better spoken English.

Face to Face class times: Monday, September 18, 2017 3:15-4:45 - Introductory Lab meeting to explain course format and online software, answer questions and to test run Native Accent™ software with fine tuning of headset microphones as needed.

PLUS: students sign up for a weekly Individual coaching meeting with instructor. (time slots available Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 3:15-4:45) Coaching meetings happen in person or via Skype if necessary.

Course Duration: 8 weeks, Monday, September 18 to Friday, November 10

Number of Students: maximum 12

Location: One introductory class meeting in Loop (Lewis Center instructional computer lab); individual in-person coaching meetings in Lewis 1700 (ELA office) OR via Skype during scheduled times.

Target audience: ELA 100 can benefit many English as Second Language speakers who find that they have occasional difficulty with pronunciation. DePaul Graduate and Undergraduate students; Current ELA students; DePaul International Faculty and Staff; anyone with High-Intermediate level of academic English.

Course Description: This course combines individual student use of Carnegie Speech's Native Accent™ online daily at home (for at least two hours total per week) with weekly individual coaching meetings with the instructor. Native Accent™ technology employs sophisticated voice recognition and Intelligent Tutor™ instant feedback. During individual coaching sessions, students' individual pronunciation challenges will be addressed based on data gathered from Native Accent™ and interpreted by the instructor. If students need additional guidance or have questions between weekly sessions, they can take advantage of the teacher's office hours, delivered in person or via Skype. In addition, resources and assignments for information not easily learned from Native Accent™ will be provided via D2L.

Course Fee: \$500 (use of headset with noise-cancelling microphone provided for the duration of the course)

Materials Cost for Student: \$75. Student purchases Native Accent™ discounted academic license online during Introductory Lab

For more information or to register, contact Lars Gingery, 312-362-6318 or lgingery@depaul.edu or come to ELA Office, 1700 Lewis Center, 25 E. Jackson