

ENG 211 ACADEMIC ORAL PRESENTATION SKILLS

Course Outline

Course Description

English 211 is an oral presentation course designed with the aim of equipping students with the essential speaking skills they need to cope with the English language as medium of instruction. Therefore, the course revolves around two main focuses: Academic speaking and presentation skills. To this end, the course offers a theme-based approach where all four skills are integrated to foster various speaking opportunities.

Course Aims & Objectives

SPEAKING:

- Building speaking confidence
- Adjusting language to spoken discourse
- Using appropriate transitions and signposts
- Integrating literature research into a presentation
- Expressing and supporting opinions
- Preparing & using audio-visual aids
- Delivering a speech/presentation
- Presenting information in an organized way
- Asking and answering questions
- Giving an oral synthesis
- Reacting to an idea
- Taking part in discussions and debates
- Using correct pronunciation, stress and intonation

READING:

- Reading for the main idea
- Reading for specific information
- Making inferences & interpretations
- Reading between the lines
- Identifying different opinions
- Evaluating different viewpoints
- Making connections between ideas
- Reading extensively to gather data
- Expanding vocabulary & activating passive vocabulary

LISTENING:

- Listening between the lines
- Listening for specific information
- Listening for the main idea
- Note taking

WRITING:

- Synthesizing
- Paraphrasing
- Summarizing
- Reflective writing

Course Material

Duzan, C., Yalçın, E. (2014). *The Compass - Route to Academic Speaking*. Ankara: Nüans
METU OpenCourseWare: <http://ocw.metu.edu.tr/>

Requirements

- The course requires regular attendance and active participation.
- You are allowed a total of **7 hours of absences**. Those who exceed 7 hours will automatically fail with an **“NA” grade**.
- If you do not take the midterm exam or do the final presentation, you will be given an **“NA” grade**.
- Meet presentation deadlines and be in class on the day you are assigned to present. Students with unexcused absences (those who do not have an official medical report) will **not be given a make-up**.
- You are expected to upload your Marketing, Science & Technology and final presentation slides to **Turnitin**. If you fail to submit your slides, **your presentation will not be graded**. To learn more about the Turnitin requirements, make sure you refer to the MLD website.



Final Presentation

Here are some important points about the final presentation. For more information, make sure you follow the MLD webpage.

- You will need to **make reservations** for the final presentations choosing the date and the time you wish to present.
- To make reservations for the final presentations, you will have to submit your **Marketing & Science and Technology Presentation topics** to the system, which will allow all the instructors to see it.
- **You will not be allowed to present on your marketing & science and technology presentation topics in the final presentations** even if you choose a different organizational pattern.
- If you have a valid excuse (medical report etc.) for a make-up, please **notify the MLD administration immediately so that your presentation can be rescheduled**. Note that the administration will ask you to make your final presentation (within the working days) **right after the last date indicated on the sick report.**



Academic Integrity

MLD requires all students to observe the highest ethical standards in their academic work. Students who engage in unethical practices and/or conspire with others will **fail the course and their department will be informed about the case.**



Assessment

Marketing Presentation	10%
Science and Technology Presentation	20%
Speaking Task 1	5%
Speaking Task 2	5%
Presentation Journal	5%
Speech Analysis Report	5%
MIDTERM EXAM	20%
FINAL PRESENTATION	30%