

Course Program
ENGLISH GRAMMAR

A. General Information

1. Academic Unit	FACULTY OF EDUCATION					
2. Program	PEDAGOGY IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION WITH A MAJOR IN ENGLISH					
3. Code	EBI315					
4. Location in the curriculum	Second Semester, First Year					
5. Credits	10					
6. Type of course	Mandatory	X	Elective		Optional	
7. Duration	Bimonthly		Semi-annual	X	Annual	
8. Modules per week	Theoretical	1	Practical	2	Teaching Assistance	0
9. Class hours	Classes	102	Teaching Assistance		0	
10. Prerequisites	English Language Learning I					

B. Contribution to the Graduate's Profile

This course is in the Fifth Semester in the Bachelor's cycle. It will focus on learning grammar, which indicates the rules ordering each possibility of oral or written communication and serving as a means to reflect on human language. We all use it on a daily basis and, thus, we tend to overlook it, being, on the contrary, an essential aspect for clear and effective communication between human beings.

In this context, the course helps to understand that one characteristic of humanity is being able to communicate through articulated sounds, which can convey notions having an astonishing level of complexity and abstraction.

Under this specific use of language, there are common rules to all languages, rules which some specialists tend to characterize as genetically determined. Unlike other rules which depend on each particular language, accounting for the variety thereof.

In order to approach the concept of grammar and understand its importance, we should start with a definition. Grammar refers to the set of rules, regularities and exceptions that govern a given

language. Its importance lies in the fact that it serves to establish the correct ways of expressing and communicating adequately, either in one's own language or in a foreign language, as in this case. Grammar above all has a descriptive character, that is, it focuses on analyzing and describing the way in which it is used or should be used in a certain language within a **CEFR B2+ band**.

The course “English Grammar” contributes to the generic competencies of Global Vision, Analytical Vision, Ethics and to the specific competencies of:

Competency 1. “Engages all students in their learning process through challenging and purposeful learning experiences in both English and Spanish, demonstrating disciplinary mastery.

Competency 5. Demonstrates professionalism in their teaching for the benefit of student learning.

C. Competencies and General Learning outcomes developed from the course.

Generic Competencies	General Learning Outcomes
<p><i>Analytical Vision</i></p> <p><i>Global Vision</i></p> <p><i>Ethics</i></p>	<p>Explain the role of grammar in learning English as one of the three dimensions of language, distinguishing the grammatical differences between oral and written communication and the role of context in its development.</p>
Specific Competencies	
<p>C1. 1. Engages all students in their learning process through challenging and purposeful learning experiences in both English and Spanish, demonstrating disciplinary mastery.</p>	<p>Apply the uses of tenses, conditionals, modals, connectors, and other elements of speech and their functions to assess one's own knowledge about these elements and identify and correct personal errors and those of others.</p>
<p>C5. Demonstrates professionalism in their teaching in benefit of the student’s learning.</p>	<p>Demonstrate appreciation for the grammar of the English language by reflecting on the experience of appropriation of the grammar and the importance that the error represents in the process of their learning.</p>

D. Units, Content and Learning Outcomes

Units of Contents	Competency	Learning Outcomes
<p>Unit I: Introduction to Grammar</p>	<p>C1. Engages all students in their learning process through challenging and purposeful learning experiences in both English and Spanish, demonstrating disciplinary mastery.</p>	<p>Explain the importance of grammar for proper performance in real and hypothetical communicative situations.</p> <p>Compare the constituent elements of grammar in oral and written communication through class work.</p> <p>Explain the role of context in English grammar through practical exercises.</p>
<p>Unit II: Verb Tenses: Conditionals and Modals, and Connectors, Adverbs, and Text Organizers.</p>	<p>C1. Engages all students in their learning process through challenging and purposeful learning experiences in both English and Spanish, demonstrating disciplinary mastery.</p> <p>C5. Demonstrates professionalism in their teaching in benefit of the student's learning.</p>	<p>Properly identify the different grammatical forms studied through practical exercises.</p> <p>Analyze the main characteristics of tenses, modal and conditional verbs, as well as text and discursive organizers such as: connectors, prepositions, adverbial and prepositional phrases.</p> <p>Assess their own disciplinary knowledge specifically, tenses, modal and conditional verbs as well as text and discourse organizers such as: connectors, prepositions, adverbial and prepositional phrases.</p>
<p>Unit III: Teaching Grammar</p>	<p>C1. Engages all students in their learning process through challenging and purposeful learning experiences in both English and Spanish, demonstrating disciplinary mastery.</p> <p>C5. Demonstrates professionalism in their teaching in benefit of the student's learning.</p>	<p>Examine attitudes and beliefs about grammar based on one's own previous experience and from the teaching perspective during professional practice.</p> <p>Analyze their own performance in teaching grammatical content in practical class situations.</p> <p>Explain and evaluate methodologies to teach grammar based on practical exercises.</p>

E. Teaching Methods

In order to achieve meaningful learning, it is necessary to implement teaching strategies and methodologies that activate previous knowledge in students and encourage their constant participation, being them the bridge through which knowledge is built by the student and mediated by the teacher.

In this scenario, the applicable teaching strategies will be the following:

- Group work
- Modeling by the teacher
- Lecture
- Worksheets
- Class planning
- Individual reading
- Simulation of methodological strategies studied in class.

F. Evaluation

Evaluation of the course will be focused on:

- Test on contents and skills
- Exam 1: oral and written
- Exam 2: oral written
- Final Exam.

G. Learning Resources

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