

Capital University of Economics and Business

Overseas Chinese College

Course Syllabus

Year and Semester	2025 Fall						
Course Name	College English III						
Course Code	CE223						
Course Type	☒ General Education (Required) ☐ General Education (Elective) ☐ Basic Disciplinary Course ☐ Professional Course (Required) ☐ Professional Course (Elective) ☐ Professional Course (Expanded) ☐ Professional Course (Advanced)						
Course Credits	4						
Course Hours	Total Hours	Class	64	Lecture Hours	64	Experiment (Computer) Hours	0
Applicable object	☐ Freshman ☒ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior						
	☒ Business Administration (Accounting)						
	☒ Information Management and Information Systems (Finance)						
Prerequisites	CE112						
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Grade/Section	2024 Y01-Y05						
Course Time/Place	Tues. 13:30-15:05; Fri. 8:00-9:35 A108, A106, B113, A109, A204						
Textbook	Core English II 《核心英语》高阶版上册 首都经济贸易大学出版社 ISBN 978-7-5638-3560-7						

Reference Book

Flipped by Wendelin Van Draanen
A Year in Provence by Peter Mayle
Lean in by Sheryl Sandberg
The Call of the Wild by Jack London
 《雅思词汇词根+联想记忆法》

Course Description

College English III (CE223) is an intermediate part in College English series courses. It focuses on the development of academic skills in English language usage, with an emphasis on critical thinking and independent learning. Students will be immersed in the English learning environment and have the practical communication skills developed in both autonomous learning and classroom learning processes. This course allows students to get prepared for more effective learning in other university modules, as well as in their overall academic career.

Student Learning Objectives

On successful completion of this exam, candidates should be able to:

Knowledge	- acquire a vocabulary of approximately 5000 words, including 400 specialized terms, which represents the foundational level of understanding the English language. - recognize the typical structure of an argumentative essay, demonstrating a basic comprehension of the elements involved in persuasive writing.
Capability	- utilize language skills to conduct effective communication with native speakers on various topics, applying knowledge in real-life scenarios. - articulate the main idea and key information on a wide range of topics, including major-related seminars and lectures, showcasing the ability to apply language skills in academic contexts. - compare and contrast information from different academic sources, demonstrating the ability to break down complex ideas and identify relationships between them. - compose English abstracts, critical essays, and other academic writings, such as diagram descriptions, news reports, and book reviews, applying analytical skills to synthesize information into coherent written works.
Mindset	- cultivate cross-cultural awareness by integrating knowledge from diverse cultural perspectives and synthesizing this understanding into their communication. - develop critical thinking in the process of language output, which involves not only the analysis of information but also the creation of new insights and connections.

Website Source

1. [https:// www.chinaielts.org/](https://www.chinaielts.org/)
2. [https:// www.ielts.org/](https://www.ielts.org/)
3. <http://cueb.fanya.chaoxing.com>

Teaching Methods

This course contains lectures, class discussions, homework, quizzes, presentation and exams. Textbook content will be introduced first. Then real case and practice questions will be delivered to students as a way to test their understanding of the knowledge. This will require individual or group assignment in or after class.

Grade Criterion

Component	Weight	Description
Final Exam	20%	A cumulative final examination will be given based on all of the contents of the class. The exam paper may be composed of multiple-choice questions, gap filling questions, short answer questions, essay questions, and oral questions, etc. Students should rely primarily on homework assignments to give them a sense of what they may see for material on exams.
Mid-Term Test	20%	A cumulative midterm test will be given based on all of the contents that have been taught in class. The test paper may be mainly composed of subjective and objective questions.
Homework	20%	Most of the assigned homework is taken from the Exercises in the textbook. Assignments will be collected at the clearly stated date. Late assignments will not be accepted. The graded assignments will be kept by the tutor for reference and won't be returned to students.
Quizzes	10%	There will be at least 2 quizzes during the semester. Quizzes may or may not be announced in advance. It may also be used as a way to check the attendance. Quizzes will test your knowledge of both language skills and the application of those skills.
Presentation	10%	Topics for presentation will be given to students prior to the delivery. Presentations will be done in either an individual or a team form.
Participation	10%	Individuals will be asked to participate individually in a question and answer at least 5 times during the semester. The performances should be counted in their participation.
Attendance	10%	Refer to attendance policy listed below
Total	100%	

Detailed Grade Computation

	Before Midterm	After Midterm
Attendance	5%	5%
Participation		10%
Homework	10%	10%
Quizzes	5%	5%
Presentation		10%
Mid-Term Test	20%	
Final exam		20%
Total	40%	60%

Assessment of Student Performance

☛ Self-Study and Reading ability Practice

Instructor will give out the chapters or the reference books to read and use class hours to have discussion; students should be able to show a proactive attitude and ability for self-study and reading. Knowledge and oral English will be elements of homework or presentation score.

☛ Homework

Students should finish their homework by themselves. Copying from others will be treated as cheating and the homework scores will be lowered. Students should hand in all assignments on time. Late assignments will be accepted at the discretion of the instructor (i.e., when the student was ill or had an excused absence). Late assignments without reasonable proof will be reduced in score by 50%.

☛ Attendance

Because the course covers a great deal of material, attending every class session is very important for performing well.

- ♦ Being late for 15 minutes or more is considered an absence.
- ♦ Five hours or above of unexcused absences will result in the lower level of the final grade by one grade band (e.g. from C – to D +). Any excused absence must be discussed directly with the teacher.
- ♦ Absence which is more than 1/3 of the total teaching hours will cause an F (a failing grade) directly. but students are welcome to continue attending classes.
- ♦ An incomplete grade (I) will be considered in case of medical or family emergencies.

☛ Participation

- ♦ Students should participate in classes actively. Half of participation grade is determined by their presentation in class. They are encouraged to ask questions relevant to the subject and express their own opinions. Every student should respect the ideas, opinions, and questions of their classmates.
- ♦ Students should also use office hours to ask questions or talk with the instructor for good communication and effective learning.
- ♦ Frequent visiting the instructor and chatting in English during office hours is highly recommended.
- ♦ Any misbehavior and non-class related activities in class will result in the lower level of the participation grade, including ringing cell phones.
- ♦ All above behaviors will be solely evaluated by the instructor for scoring.

☛ Textbook

Students must bring the textbook to class.

Topical Course Outline (original)

UNIT	Week	Topics		Platform	Homework
Orientation & Unit 1 Share Chinese Wisdom	1	Orientation L&S	● Syllabus illustration Briefly introduce the course learning, including course objective, teaching materials, and teaching methods. Warm-up activities ● Lead-in discussion ● Unit project introduction Listening activity ● Video-clip watching: The Taoist Concept of <i>Wuwei</i> ● Listening skill build up: using examples to facilitate comprehension Speaking activity ● Intercultural skill: appreciating one's own culture and sharing wisdom ● Speaking activities and feedback	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P1-7 Workbook Unit 1
		Orientation R&W	● Syllabus illustration Briefly introduce the course learning, including course objective, teaching materials, and teaching methods. Reading part Passage: Chinese Philosophy ● Warming up activity ● Vocabulary preview ● Reading activities ● Grammar exercises: making comparisons	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Section B Activity 5&6 Textbook P22-23 Workbook Unit 1
	2	L&S	Episode 2: A Great Person I admire ● Lead-in discussion ● Video-watching and exercise Speaking activity ● Communication skill illustration ● Activities 8-15 ● Feedback & evaluation Sound of China illustration	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P10-13 Workbook Unit 1
		R&W	Writing part ● Recognize different types of charts ● Use statistical terms ● Identify static and dynamic charts	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 15 Textbook P28-29 Workbook Unit 1
Unit 2 Bridge the	3	L&S	Warm-up activities ● Lead-in discussion ● Unit project introduction Listening activity ● Video-clip watching: Episode 1	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P33-40 Workbook

Gap			- Listening skill build up Speaking activity - Intercultural skill development and discussion - Speaking activities and feedback		Unit 2
		R&W	Reading part Passage: Where asking someone's age isn't rude - Warming up activity - Vocabulary preview - Reading activities	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 4&5 Textbook P 52-53 Workbook Unit 2
	4	L&S	Episode 2 video-watching and communication skill development - Lead-in discussion - Video-watching and exercise Speaking activity - Communication skill illustration - Activities 8-15 - Feedback & evaluation Sound of China illustration	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P39-45 Workbook Unit 2
		R&W	National Day Holidays (TBA)		
	5	L&S	National Day Holidays (TBA)		
		R&W	Writing part - Brainstorm ideas - Evaluate the brainstorming - Organize the ideas and writing a plan	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 12 Textbook 57 Workbook Unit 2
Unit 3 Connect the Dots	6	L&S	Warm-up activities - Lead-in discussion - Unit project introduction Listening activity - Video-clip watching: Episode 1 - Listening skill build up Speaking activity - Intercultural skill development and discussion - Speaking activities and feedback	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P61-67 Workbook Unit 3
		R&W	Reading part Passage: Cyberbullying - Warming up activity - Vocabulary preview - Reading activities	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 5& 6 Textbook P83 Workbook Unit 3
	7	L&S	Episode 2 video-watching and communication skill development Lead-in discussion	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise P68-77 Workbook

			● Video-watching and exercise		Unit 3
		R&W	Writing part ● Analyze the data and plan ● Make comparisons and contrasts	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Writing task Textbook P91 Workbook Unit 3
		L&S	Episode 2 Speaking activity ● Communication skill illustration ● Activities 8-15 ● Feedback & evaluation	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Vocabulary Exercise (online) Workbook Unit 3
		R&W	Writing part ● Guided writing ● Group evaluation	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Vocabulary Exercise (online) Workbook Unit 3
Mid-term Test	9	L&S	Mid-term Oral Test	Classroom	
		R&W	Mid-term Test	Classroom	
Unit 4 Build the World	10	L&S	Warm-up activities ● Lead-in discussion ● Unit project introduction Listening activity ● Video-clip watching: Episode 1 ● Listening skill build up Speaking activity ● Intercultural skill development and discussion ● Speaking activities and feedback	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P95-100 Workbook Unit 4
		R&W	Reading part Passage: How to build trust on your cross-cultural team ● Warming up activity; ● Vocabulary preview; ● Reading activities.	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 5&6 Textbook P116-117 Workbook Unit 4
	11	L&S	Episode 2 video-watching and communication skill development ● Lead-in discussion ● Video-watching and exercise Speaking activity ● Communication skill illustration ● Activities 8-15 Feedback & evaluation	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P101-109 Workbook Unit 4
		R&W	Writing part ● Introduce a topic ● Write a thesis statement	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Writing exercise Textbook

			Guided writing		P122 Workbook Unit 4
Unit 5 Extend Your Hand	12	L&S	Warm-up activities - Lead-in discussion - Unit project introduction Listening activity - Video-clip watching: Episode 1 - Listening skill build up Speaking activity - Intercultural skill development and discussion - Speaking activities and feedback	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P127-133 Workbook Unit 5
		R&W	Reading part Passage: Use gratitude to counter stress and uncertainty - Warming up activity; - Vocabulary preview; - Reading activities.	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 4&5 Textbook P148 Workbook Unit 5
	13	L&S	Episode 2 video-watching and communication skill development - Lead-in discussion - Video-watching and exercise Speaking activity - Communication skill illustration - Activities 8-13 - Feedback & evaluation - Sound of China illustration	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P134-141 Workbook Unit 5
		R&W	Writing part - Identify significant data points - Describe future trends - Writing an overview	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 13 Textbook P154 Workbook Unit 5
Unit 6 Live in Harmony	14	L&S	Warm-up activities - Lead-in discussion - Unit project introduction Listening activity - Video-clip watching: Episode 1 - Listening skill build up Speaking activity - Intercultural skill development and discussion - Speaking activities and feedback	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P158-164 Workbook Unit 6
		R&W	Reading part	Classroom &	Activity 4&5

			Passage: What will our eco-friendly homes of the future look like? ● Warming up activity; ● Vocabulary preview; ● Reading activities.	XUEXITONG	Textbook P180-181 Workbook Unit 6
	15	L&S	Episode 2 video-watching and communication skill development ● Lead-in discussion ● Video-watching and exercise	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Core vocabulary Exercise Textbook P165-172 Workbook Unit 6
		R&W	Writing part ● Support the claims ● Organize the ideas in a logical way	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Activity 9 Textbook P187 Workbook Unit 6
	16	L&S	Episode 2 Speaking activity ● Communication skill illustration ● Activities 8-13 ● Feedback & evaluation	Classroom & XUEXITONG	Vocabulary Review for the book Workbook Unit 6
		R&W	Writing part ● Guided writing ● Group evaluation	Classroom & XUEXITONG	vocabulary Exercise (online) Workbook Unit 6
	17	L&S	Presentation		Revision
Presentation		R&W	Revision		Revision
Final exam	18		Final exam		

Note: Some chapters or sections may leave for self-study, this is the students' duty to learn and understand, and they may also be included in the quizzes or exams.

A review in Chinese may be held during L.C. and O.H. in the semester.

Teacher's Office Hour

- ♦The instructor's office hour is shown in the front of the office door.
- ♦Students are suggested to use the instructor's office hour and learning center to ask questions or talk with the instructor once at least per week for good communication and effective learning, which is recorded in the students' participation.
- ♦The time can be scheduled by instructors or students, or both.

Cheating and Plagiarism

Cheating is not tolerated. Any student caught cheating on a quiz; test or exam will be given a mark of zero (0) for

the particular work. At the beginning of the semester the definition of plagiarism will be carefully explained, when any thoughts or writings of another person are used, they must be clearly identified (usually one uses quotation marks) and the source notes. **If any student is caught cheating on any homework assignment, the highest score the student can earn in that course is a "C".**

Important Dates

Midterm Test	Week 9
Final Exam	Week 18 (Refer to the notice of the Academic Affairs Office)

***Note:** This syllabus is tentative and may be changed or modified throughout the semester. All students will be notified and a new syllabus will be given.*

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