

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) ADVISING INFORMATION

NOTE: Non-native English speakers have very different learning needs than native English speakers. As a result, the Peralta District has developed two sequences, ESL and English, to address these differing needs.

The courses in these sequences are not exact equivalencies, although they are close approximations. The following grid may be used as a guide when advising ESL students about course selections.

ESL		English
ESL 201A, Writing 3	≈	ENGL 295, Fundamentals of Writing
ESL 201B, Writing 4	≈	ENGL 250, Basic Writing -OR- ENGL 252A, Integrated Reading and Writing
ESL 21A, Writing 5	≈	ENGL 201A, Preparation for Composition and Reading
ESL 21B, Writing 6	≈	ENGL 201B, Preparation for Composition and Reading



Combined English Language Skills Assessment (CELSA) Interpretation Grid

Score	Interpretation	Level	Recommended Courses
20 - 32	Entry level	Level 1	ESL 250A, 252A, 253A
33 - 41	Low Intermediate	Level 2	ESL 251B, 252B, 253B, 259, 250B
42 - 50	Intermediate	Level 3	ESL 200A, 201A, 202A, 203A
51 - 58	High Intermediate	Level 4	ESL 200B, 201B, 202B, 203B, 204, 257B
59 - 67	Low Advanced	Level 5	ESL 21A, 22
68 - 75	Advanced	Level 6	ESL 21B