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|  | **SPEAKING PRACTICE A2, Spring 2019** | |  |
| **Instructor:** | | **Course Number:** | |
| **Office:** | | **Class Hours:** | |
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| **Phone:** | | **Class Website:** | |

**Course Description and Objectives**

Speaking Practice A is a course that is taken after a student has completed Academic English, generally in the first semester of the student’s sophomore year. It is divided into four levels (A1, A2, A3, A4) based on student proficiency. This course principally focuses on oral communication skills. Its main objective is to develop student ability to interact in English with both purpose and confidence while engaging the language in a variety of settings.

**Required Materials**

*Top Notch 2* (3rd edition) by Joan Saslow and Allen Ascher.

**Grading**

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| Participation | 25% |
| Assignments | 15% |
| Written Exams | 30% |
| Speaking Exams | 30% |

**Attendance**

If you miss more than four classes (i.e., class time equivalent to more 25% of the total course hours), you will receive an ‘F’ for the course. Being late three times will also equal one absence.

**Participation**

Your participation score is based on being in-class and interacting in English with other students and your instructor. You should be prepared, attentive, and willing to contribute.

**Assignments**

Submission dates for assignments will be announced. Late submissions will be penalized.

**Exams**

There will be two written exams and two speaking exams. If you do not complete any of the four exams, you will receive an ‘F’ for the course. Specific details about the exams will be given in advance. Dates of the exams are available on the following page.

**Class Schedule: Monday**

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| **Class** | **Dates** | **Class Content** | **Notes** |
| 1 | 3.4 | Introduction; Unit 1 | Please be sure to have your textbook on the first day. |
| 2 | 3.11 | Unit 1 |  |
| 3 | 3.18 | Unit 1 |  |
| 4 | 3.25 | Unit 1 / Unit 2 |  |
| 5 | 4.1 | Unit 2 |  |
| 6 | 4.8 | Unit 2 |  |
| 7 | 4.15 | Written Midterm/Speaking Midterm |  |
| 8 | 4.22 | Speaking Midterm |  |
| 9 | 4.29 | Unit 3 |  |
| 10 | 5.6 | No Class | Children’s Day (Alternate) |
| 11 | 5.13 | Unit 3 |  |
| 12 | 5.20 | Unit 4 |  |
| 13 | 5.27 | Unit 4 |  |
| 14 | 6.3 | Written Final/Speaking Final |  |
| 15 | 6.10 | Speaking Final |  |

**\***This schedule may change—please get in touch with a classmate or your instructor if you miss class.