



The English-Speaking Union

Andrew Romay New Immigrant Center

“Tune-Up” English Classes Schedule

April 24 – June 30, 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 12:00 LISTENING SKILLS APRIL 24 – JUNE 26	10:00 – 12:00 READING SKILLS APRIL 25 – JUNE 27	10:00 – 12:00 WRITING SKILLS APRIL 26 – JUNE 28	10:00 – 12:00 LANGUAGE AND CULTURE APRIL 27 – JUNE 29	10:00 – 02:00 BUSINESS NEWS <i>APRIL 28 – MAY 26</i>
1:00 – 4:45 GRAMMAR CLINIC <i>APRIL 24 – MAY 22</i>	1:00 – 3:00 SHORT FICTION APRIL 25 – JUNE 27	1:00 – 3:00 PRINT MEDIA APRIL 26 – JUNE 28	1:00 – 3:00 RHYME AND SONG APRIL 27 – JUNE 29	<i>10:00 – 02:00 U.S. HISTORY JUNE 2 – JUNE 30</i>
1:00 – 4:45 GRAMMAR IN CONTEXT <i>JUNE 5 – JUNE 26</i>	3:30 – 5:30 ADVANCED GRAMMAR <i>(Only for those who completed Grammar Overview)</i> APRIL 25 – JUNE 27	3:30 – 5:30 BUSINESS ENGLISH APRIL 26 – JUNE 28	3:30 – 5:30 VOCABULARY II APRIL 27 – JUNE 29	

- Classes are at Higher Intermediate to Advanced English Levels.
- Classes are FREE and open to current ARNIC members. Information on registration is here: www.esu-arnic.org
- For ARNIC members: to register for classes you will need to click on the link sent to you by email.

Holiday: Monday, May 29 is MEMORIAL DAY. No classes.

“Tune-Up” English Class Descriptions

LISTENING SKILLS IN ENGLISH

9 weeks, once a week on Mondays, 10 am -12 pm. Dates: April 24 – June 26. Improve your English listening skills through dictation, dialogue, presentation, and pair and group work. Learn the sound system of English and practice the rhythm, intonation, stress, linked, connected, dropped and transformed sounds, and thought chunking that imbues the language with its unique speech patterns.
Instructor: Robert Speziale.

GRAMMAR CLINIC

5 weeks, once a week on Mondays, 1 – 4:45 pm. Dates: April 24 – May 22. Are you tense about tenses? Turned off by phrasal verbs? If you understood conditionals, would you feel better? Get help. Bring all your grammar problems to the clinic, get a diagnosis, a prescription and plenty of revision and practice therapy. Future? Perfect...
Instructor: Angela Wilkins.

READING SKILLS: FROM THE PAGE TO REAL LIFE

10 weeks, once a week on Tuesdays, 10 am - 12 pm. Dates: April 25 – June 27. Improve your reading speed and comprehension, learn new vocabulary and cultural references and develop your speaking and writing skills at the same time. Analyze examples of modern American journalism, literature, advertising and other forms of American writing and discuss the issues they raise. *Instructor: Angela Wilkins.*

SHORT NARRATIVE FICTION

10 weeks, once a week on Tuesdays, 1 - 3 pm. Dates: April 25 – June 27. Release the inner author in you. Listen to, read, and dissect classic American short stories by masters of the craft like Shirley Jackson, Roald Dahl, and Davida Adedjouma. Analyze content such as dialogue, plot, character development, point of view, suspense and conflict resolution, culminating in your own short work of storytelling.
Instructor: Robert Speziale.

ADVANCED GRAMMAR

10 weeks, once a week on Tuesdays, 3:30 -5:30 pm. Dates: April 25 – June 27. Analyze and practice some of the knottier topics of English grammar including adverb and noun clauses, discourse connectors and transitions, auxiliaries and indirect speech. This no-holds-barred approach emphasizes oral and written mastery of contextualized language. Completion of the Grammar Overview course is a prerequisite.
Instructor: Robert Speziale.

WRITING SKILLS

10 weeks, once a week on Wednesdays, 10 am – 12 pm. Dates: April 26 – June 28. Work on writing English accurately and appropriately and develop the writing habit. Write better formal and informal letters and emails, as well as reports, reviews, articles, essays, journals and blogs. Compose and publish your story of coming to America and feel more confident about writing well in English.
Instructor: Angela Wilkins.

ENGLISH THROUGH PRINTED MEDIA

0 weeks, once a week on Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5:30 pm. Dates: April 26-June 28. Improve your reading and writing skills, and build your vocabulary using printed media like newspapers and magazines. Write your own story, conduct an interview or compose an opinion piece for your own class newspaper.
Instructor: Robert Speziale.

BUSINESS ENGLISH

10 weeks, once a week on Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5:30 pm. Dates: April 26 – June 28. Learn about the culture of the American workplace while improving oral, written and listening skills. The emphasis will be on writing cover letters, preparing for job interviews as well as discussing job-hunting strategies. *Instructor: Jane Landis.*

LEARNING A LANGUAGE IS LEARNING ITS CULTURE

10 week, once a week on Thursdays, 10 am -12 pm. Dates: April 27 – June 29. Improve your English language skills and share your country’s culture as we explore the many aspects of culture in America, from our customs and traditions to our art, music, food and literature. The American society is a blend of native Americans and people from Europe, Latin America, Asia and Africa. Learn how immigration, slavery and war helped form our culture. Through interviews, dialog, research and practice, we’ll discover how we observe and honor those contributions. Learn idioms and expression that will help you navigate American English in any setting.
Instructor: Mary Anne Barker.

ENGLISH THROUGH RHYME & SONG

10 weeks, once a week on Thursdays, 1 – 3 pm. Dates: April 27 – June 29. Improve grammar, listening and pronunciation skills through the use of songs, poetry and rhyme. Songs and poetry contain great examples of idioms, verb tenses and expressions. Learning them can help pronunciation and grammar skills and provide a fun way to learn. Both live and recorded music will be featured. *Instructor: Jane Landis.*

BUILDING ENGLISH VOCABULARY II

10 weeks, once a week on Thursdays, 3.30-5.30 pm. Dates: April 27-June 29. Learn the basic building blocks of English: roots, prefixes and suffixes. Knowing these will help you to decode hundreds of new vocabulary words and decrease your reliance on translators and dictionaries. Reinforce learning through reading, listening, and speaking. This is a continuation of Vocabulary Part 1 class, but participation in Part 1 is not required. *Instructor: Jane Landis.*

BUSINESS NEWS IS OUR BUSINESS

5 weeks, once a week on Fridays, 10 am – 2 pm. Dates: April 28 – May 26. Understanding what’s going on in the business world is essential to understanding what’s going on in the whole world. Reading and understanding business articles can be a challenge. This course will help you develop the skills, vocabulary and confidence needed to read, understand and discuss articles from major publications such as Fortune, The Wall Street Journal and Business Week that are read by businesspeople throughout the world.
Instructor: Mary Anne Barker.

U.S. HISTORY & GOVERNMENT

5 weeks, once a week on Fridays, 10 am – 2 pm. Dates: June 2 - 30. Improve your English language skills and deepen your understanding of America in this overview of the U.S. history and government. Listening, writing and speaking skills will be emphasized as students participate in debates, presentations and projects based on the ideas and concepts discussed in class. *Instructor: Mary Anne Barker.*

GRAMMAR IN CONTEXT: INTEGRATED SKILLS

4 weeks, once a week on Mondays, 1 – 4:45 pm. Dates: June 5 - 27. For the bold explorer of new language territory or those wishing to revisit and revise, this is a guided tour through English, tailor-made to fit students' requirements. Each course is therefore different but aims to develop your knowledge of what to say and write in business and social situations and improve your understanding of what you hear and read. There will be plenty of discussion practice along the way.
Instructor: Angela Wilkins.