

PUTTING STUDENTS ON THE PATH TO UNIVERSITY SUCCESS

Intensive skill development and extended application—tied to specific learning outcomes—provide the scaffolding English language learners need to become confident and successful in a university setting.

Global Scale of English		10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
CEFR		<A1	A1	A2 +	B1 +	B2 +	C1	C2		
INTERMEDIATE TO HIGH-INTERMEDIATE LEVEL B1–B1+ 43–58	ADVANCED LEVEL B2–B2+ 59–75	TRANSITION LEVEL B2+–C1 68–80								
Authentic content with careful integration of essential skills, the Intermediate to High-Intermediate level familiarizes students with real-world academic contexts.	Challenging, authentic content with level-appropriate skills, the Advanced level prepares students to exit the ESL safety net.	A deep dive for transition-level students, the Transition level mirrors the academic rigor of college courses.								
INTENSIVE SKILL PRACTICE	INTENSIVE SKILL PRACTICE	INTENSIVE SKILL PRACTICE								
Intensive skill practice tied to learning objectives informed by the Global Scale of English	Intensive skill practice tied to learning objectives informed by the Global Scale of English	Intensive skill practice tied to learning objectives informed by the Global Scale of English								
AUTHENTIC CONTENT	AUTHENTIC CONTENT	AUTHENTIC CONTENT								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Readings: 200–2,000 words Lectures: 15–20 minutes Multiple exposures and chunking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Readings: 200–3,000 words Lectures: 20 minutes 	Readings and lectures of significant length: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 200–3,500-word readings 25-minute lectures 								
EXPLICIT VOCABULARY INSTRUCTION	EXPLICIT VOCABULARY INSTRUCTION	CONTENT AND FLUENCY VOCABULARY APPROACH								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre- and post-reading and listening vocabulary tasks Glossing of receptive vocabulary Recycling throughout each part and online 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre- and post-reading and listening vocabulary tasks Glossing of receptive vocabulary Recycling throughout each part and online 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No direct vocabulary instruction Online vocabulary practice for remediation 								
SCAFFOLDED APPROACH	MODERATELY SCAFFOLDED									
Multiple guided exercises focus on comprehension, application, and clarification of productive skills.	Guided exercises focus on comprehension, application, and clarification of productive skills.									
VOCABULARY STRATEGIES	VOCABULARY STRATEGIES									
Vocabulary strategy sections focus on form, use, and meaning.	Vocabulary strategy sections focus on form, use, and meaning to help students process complex content.									
GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS										
Extensive integration of graphic organizers throughout to support note-taking and help students process complex content.										