

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY  
ESL 45 – APPLIED GRAMMAR 4 (3 CR.)**

**VCCS Course Description**

Provides instruction and practice in the use of high intermediate and advanced academic English grammar structures including advanced verb forms, clauses, determiners, and prepositions. Helps ESL students assess their own knowledge of English grammar, improve accuracy, and learn methods to improve editing. Credits are not applicable toward graduation. Lecture 3 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose**

- To give *high-intermediate to advanced* level ESL students the opportunity to practice and refine academic grammar skills.

**Course Prerequisites and Corequisites**

Prerequisite: An English placement test recommendation for ESL Level 4 or higher or successful completion of ESL 31.

**Course Objectives**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- A. identify and use gerunds and infinitive structures;
- B. identify and correctly structure clauses and phrases;
- C. identify and correctly use determiners and prepositions;
- D. identify and use passive voice.

**Major Topics to be Included**

- gerunds
- infinitives
- clause structure
- phrase structure
- determiners
- prepositions
- passive voice