

## Courses Offered by ELSP

### **Fluency Building Courses (*for Employees only*)**

These courses are designed to improve the communication skills of Emory research employees with an intermediate speaking level. The courses provide foundational support focused primarily on grammar, pronunciation, and fluency before an employee enrolls in the graduate student intermediate speaking sequence. Courses include:

- ELSP 502: Fluency Building I (4 credits)
- ELSP 503: Fluency Building II (2 credits)

### **Intermediate Speaking Track (*for Graduate Students and Employees*)**

This track is designed to improve the communication skills of intermediate students. Intermediate speakers can handle many of the speaking exchanges of routine life and work; however, they typically require a sympathetic listener accustomed to non-native speakers. Intermediate speakers may have difficulty sequencing and/or linking ideas into paragraph-length discourse, maintaining appropriate past, present, and future time frames, sustaining fluency, and/or being readily comprehensible.

Courses include:

- ELSP 505: Communication Skills for Intermediate Speakers I (3 credits)
- ELSP 515: Communication Skills for Intermediate Speakers II (3 credits)
- ELSP 516: Communication Skills for Intermediate Speakers III (2 credits)

### **Advanced Speaking Track (*for Graduate Students and Employees*)**

This track is designed to improve the communication skills of advanced (OPI level 3) students. Advanced speakers can narrate and describe in the past, present, and future time frames in paragraph-length discourse. Although they may have varying degrees of fluency and accuracy, advanced speakers typically can convey their message without confusion and be understood by listeners not accustomed to non-native speakers. However, they may lack the language to discuss topics extensively, participate in formal and professional conversations, and consistently provide a structured argument in extended discourse. Courses include:

- ELSP 517: Communication Skills for Advanced Speakers I (3 credits)
- ELSP 518: Communication Skills for Advanced Speakers II (2 credits)
- ELSP 520: Seminar in Professional Communication (3 credits)
- ELSP 597: Laboratory in Professional Communication (2 credits)

### **Writing Courses (*for Graduate Students and Employees*)**

Graduate writing track is designed to address the needs of intermediate writers. Writers at this level contain some of the qualities of clear and purposeful academic writing; address the topic but may slight parts of the task; can adequately organize and develop; possibly inconsistent facility with syntax and vocabulary. Errors may distract reader from the message or obscure the meaning. In general, students at this level need direct instruction and consistent writing practice. Courses include:

- ELSP 510: Fundamentals of Graduate Writing I (3 credits)
- ELSP 511: Fundamentals of Graduate Writing II (2 credits)