

# Diablo Valley College's English as a Second Language Course Sequence

## Level 1 Low-Intermediate

**ESL-067 (2 units)**  
Introduction to College and English Skills  
(Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening Skills)

Starting at the intermediate level, DVC's ESL program offers separate reading, composition (writing), oral-skills, and grammar courses.

**Reading**

**Composition**

**Oral Skills**

**Grammar**

## Level 2 Intermediate:

**ESL-076 (3 units)**  
Intermediate Reading Skills

**ESL-078 (3 units)**  
Intermediate Writing Skills

**ESL-075 (2 units)**  
Intermediate Oral Skills Communication

## Level 3 High-Intermediate

**ESL-086 (3 units)**  
High-Intermediate Reading Skills

**ESL-088 (3 units)**  
High-Intermediate Writing Skills

**ESL-085 (2 units)**  
High-Intermediate Oral Skills Communication

**ESL-080 (2 units)**  
High-Intermediate ESL grammar

## Level 4 Advanced

**ESL-96A (3 units)**  
Advanced ESL Reading and Study Skills

**ESL-98A (3 units)**  
Advanced Writing

**ESL-095 (2 units)**  
Advanced Oral Skills Communication

**ESL-090 (2 units)**  
Advanced ESL Grammar

## Level 5 High-advanced - College Level (accepted for credit at DVC and other two year colleges)

**ESL-117A (5 units)**  
Integrated College Reading and Writing Development  
This is both a READING and a WRITING COURSE

## Level 6 Transfer-Level Reading and Composition & Beyond

Students who successfully complete ESL 117A (or English 118 & 116 OR English 117) are eligible for English 122.

**ENGL-122A (3 units) + ENGL-120A (1 unit)**  
 Freshman English Composition and Reading for Multilingual Students  
*This is a learning community for non-native English speakers who would like extra practice with grammar and editing. Please note that 120A is a corequisite.*

OR

**ENGL-122 (3 units)**  
 Freshman English Composition and Reading

Students who pass ENGL 122A+120A OR ENGL 122 are eligible for Transfer-Level Critical Thinking Classes:

**ENGL-123 (3 units)** - Critical Thinking: Composition and Literature

OR

**ENGL-126 (3 units)** - Critical Thinking: the Shaping of Meaning in Language

## Diablo Valley College's English Reading and Composition Course Sequence

DVC's English offers stand-alone reading and composition (writing) courses as well as *integrated* reading and composition courses. The English program also offers critical-thinking, grammar, and a variety of literature and creative-writing options.

### Reading

### Composition

### Integrated

### Grammar

#### Level 1 Basic-Skills Classes

**ENGL-096 (3 units)**  
Introduction to College Reading

**ENGL-098 (3 units)**  
Introduction to College Writing

**ENGL-97 (5 units)**  
Introduction to College Reading **and** Writing – An Integrated Course

**ENGL-93 (1 unit)**  
Sentence Structure and Punctuation

#### Level 2 Developmental Classes

**ENGL-116 (3 units)**  
College Reading Development

**ENGL-118 (3 units)**  
College Writing Development

**ENGL-117 (5 units)**  
Integrated College Reading **and** Writing Development

**ENGL-099 (3 units)**  
English Grammar and Usage

#### Level 3: Transfer Level Reading and Composition

**ENGL-122 (3 units)**  
Freshman English Composition and Reading

OR

**ENGL-122A (3 units) + ENGL-120A (1 unit)** Freshman English Composition and Reading for Multilingual Students  
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#### Level 4: Transfer Level Critical Thinking

**ENGL-123 (3 units)**  
Critical Thinking: Composition and Literature

**ENGL-126 (3 units)**  
Critical Thinking: the Shaping of Meaning in Language

DVC also offers a wide range of literature & creative writing classes, including:

#### ◇ Literature:

- ◇ Introductory courses (Introduction to Literature, Introduction to Poetry, the Short Story, and more)
- ◇ Historical Survey Classes (Early & Late English Literature, Early & Late American Literature, Early and Late World Literature, and more)
- ◇ Thematic Classes (Science Fiction and Fantasy, the Graphic Novel, Queer Lit, Young Adult lit, Children's lit, World Mythology, Native American Literature, Asian American Literature, African American Literature, Latin American Literature, and more)
- ◇ Shakespeare and His World

#### ◇ Creative Writing:

- ◇ Creative Writing, Poetry Writing, Creative Nonfiction Writing, Short Story Writing