

# English

## for Specific Purposes

### ESP Courses Spring 2018 Session 1

February 4 to March 15



**English Language Support**

Email your course request to:  
[skillslab@kaust.edu.sa](mailto:skillslab@kaust.edu.sa)

# WRITING SUPPORT

The Skills Lab offers the following services to students:

- One-to-one guidance with the language component of your writing
- Support for the preparation of your manuscript for publication
- Proofreading theses and dissertations

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## Conversation and Pronunciation

**Monday 9:00—10:30** *Building 18, Room 2208*

or

**Monday 2:30—4:00** *Bldg. 18, R.2206*

Do you want to speak more fluently? Do you want to feel more comfortable in conversations? Come along for skill-building practice and lively conversation. In this course, you will improve your pronunciation, expand your vocabulary, perfect your grammar and, most importantly, increase your confidence!

## Reading Group *Bldg. 18, R.2208*

**Wednesday 2:30—4:00** or

**Thursday 9:00—10:30**

This course is designed to develop reading comprehension and expand vocabulary, all while enjoying a good book. In each session, students will find and interpret information, deduce the meaning of new words, discuss and debate, and practice summarizing techniques.

## Speed Reading *Bldg. 18, R.2208*

**Sunday 9:00—10:30** or

**Monday 1:00—2:30**

Do you want to read more in a shorter period of time or skim a journal article quickly to gain the main ideas? Join our new Speed Reading course and see your productivity levels increase. We will provide you with the tools and strategies you need to improve your reading speed, comprehension and concentration.

## Academic Writing

*Building 18, Room 2208*

**Sunday 1:30—3:00** or

**Tuesday 9:00—10:30** or

**Tuesday 2:30—4:00**

This course helps students improve the structure, style, grammar and vocabulary of all types of academic writing. The following elements essential to good writing will be studied and practiced: sentence and paragraph structure; punctuation; simple, compound and complex sentences; and a broad range of grammatical features. Students can receive additional feedback on their writing through individual sessions with the instructor.

## Research Writing

*Bldg. 18, R.2206*

**Sunday 1:30—3:00** or

**Tuesday 9:00—10:30** or

**Tuesday 2:30—4:00**

Writing in a second language can be difficult and stressful, but we are here to help. Join our Research Writing course and get maximum results in six sessions. In this course we will cover elements such as finding and evaluating sources, using an appropriate structure, citing sources, using appropriate grammar and vocabulary as well as editing and revising your own work.

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## Academic Listening Skills

*Bldg. 18, R.2208*

**Sunday 2:30—4:00**

This course will provide opportunities to improve both your active listening and your academic note-taking skills. It will also identify and reinforce strategies that will not only help you to understand what you have heard, but to remember it.

## Grammar Refresher

*Bldg. 18, R.2205*

**Monday 2:30—4:00** or

**Tuesday 1:00—2:30** or

**Wednesday 2:30—4:00**

Are you confused about conditionals? Anxious about auxiliaries? Refreshing your grammar will improve all of your interactions in English, from sending an email to your professor to writing and presenting your thesis. This series of six modules will cover a broad range of grammar points that students need for effective communication.

## Presentation Skills

**Monday 9:00—11:30** *Bldg. 18, R.2206*

or

**Monday 2:30 – 4:00** *Bldg. 18, R.2208*

In this six-module course, you will learn the skills to create lively and memorable presentations. We will cover topics such as slide design and content, delivery and body language. You will be introduced to a number of strategies that will build your confidence and enhance your ability to successfully communicate in the context of an academic presentation.

## Academic Skills & Values

*Bldg. 18, R.2206*

**Sunday 10:00—11:30** or

**Wednesday 9:00—10:30** or

**Wednesday 2:30—4:00**

This course is designed to help students navigate through some vital processes and issues such as intellectual property rights, academic integrity and ethical behavior, thesis and dissertation requirements, KAUST academic and community values, how to work with advisors and program coordinators, the KAUST Knowledge Base, and effective professional communication skills.