

**SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Course Number: ESL-088      Class/Lect. Hours: 3      Lab Hours: 0      Credits: 3      Dept.: ESL  
 Course Title: Intermediate ESL Reading      Semester: Spring      Year: 2014

Course Objectives	Competencies
<p>1. To increase students' abilities to read and comprehend text material.</p> <p>a. To introduce students to various American cultural and social traditions as well as to historical information.</p> <p>b. To differentiate between main idea sentences, supporting major points, and details</p> <p>c. To develop more sophisticated vocabulary; recognize word forms, parts of speech, and emphasize correct spelling</p> <p>d. To build listening comprehension and speaking skills</p> <p>e. To build note-taking skills</p> <p>f. To introduce students to the services at the library</p>	<p>Students will be able:</p> <p>1. to improve general/overall reading comprehension</p> <p>a. to understand at a more profound level American history, culture, and traditions</p> <p>b. to identify main idea sentences and supporting details from readings</p> <p>c. to improve and master vocabulary as well as knowledge of idiomatic expressions; to understand word forms, parts of speech, and how to use them appropriately; to be able to spell English words correctly</p> <p>d. to demonstrate conversational ability and improved pronunciation and to feel more comfortable speaking in any classroom situation</p> <p>Students will be able:</p> <p>e. to listen to a lecture and record important facts</p> <p>f. to demonstrate ability to access information at the library</p>