## Abdelmalek Essaadi University Faculty of Letters and Humanities Department of English Studies

Spring 2019 Section: S2/Group 5 & 6 Room: 12 & 10

Course: Oral Communication

**Time:** Wednesday 8:00am – 10:00am (Group 6); 10:00am – 12:00pm (Group 5)

Instructor: Ms. Oumama Kabli

#### **Office Hours:**

**Email:** oktetouanenglish@gmail.com; I will usually respond to emails within one to two business days. Please contact me here for any urgent or personal matters related to the class.

Course Website: https://oktetouanenglish.weebly.com

Facebook Page: English at the University-Tetouan

**Course Description:** This course aims to provide students with the necessary skills to communicate orally in the English language. We will focus primarily on delivery and organization through lectures, activities, and drills. Every student will have the opportunity to present in front of the class on a topic of their choice, as well as to offer feedback to their peers. Students will be able to walk away from this class with exercises and drills to improve their public speaking weaknesses, an understanding of what makes a good presentation "great," and knowledge of how to best match their presentation to their audience. Developing public speaking confidence will be a priority, in addition to developing core language competencies (read, writing, listening, and speaking).

**Required texts:** *None.* 

#### **Class Expectations:**

- 1) Respect one another.
- 2) Be prepared for class. Bring paper and pens/pencils and any other school supplies.
- 3) Be on time.
- 4) Only use English in the classroom.
- 5) No cellphones in class unless explicitly instructed to use them.
- 6) Do assigned work and adhere to deadlines.
- 7) Absolutely NO plagiarism.

### **Participation and Attendance:**

Attendance is expected, however attendance will not be counted as part of the course grade because of the understanding that many students are commuting from far away. I expect ALL students to participate in every class activity we have.

### Plagiarism, Cheating, and Academic Integrity:

Plagiarism is the presentation of someone else's ideas, words, or artistic, scientific or technical work as one's own creation. Using the idea or work of another is permissible only when the original author is identified and cited appropriately. Paraphrasing and summarizing, as well as direct quotations, require citation of the original source. Lack of dishonest intent does not necessarily absolve a student of responsibility for plagiarism. Students who are unsure how and when to provide documentation are advised to consult with the professor. Plagiarism will not be tolerated in this course.

## **Unit Topics:**

Week 0 (February 13, 2019)	Introduction, Syllabus Overview,
	Expectations & Icebreakers
Week 1 (February 20, 2019)	Presentation Logistics
Week 2 (February 27, 2019)	Impromptu Speeches and Accents
Week 3 (March 6, 2019)	Voice Projection and Confidence Building
Week 4 (March 13, 2019)	Using Non-Verbal Communication in Oral
	Communication
Week 5 (March 20, 2019)	Presentations
Week 6 (March 27, 2019)	Presentations
Week 7 (April 3, 2019)	Presentations
Week 8 (April 10, 2019)	NO CLASS
Week 9 (April 17, 2019)	Presentations
Week 10 (April 24, 2019)	Presentations
Week 11 (May 1, 2019)	Holiday (NO CLASS)
Week 12 (May 8, 2019)	Presentations

# **Grading:**

Oral Group Presentation/Debate: 100%

\*\*\* This syllabus is subject to change at the instructor's discretion\*\*\*