ASP Elective and English VI Course Descriptions
Summer Semester 2017

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Elective Courses

American Studies – G: Contemporary American Values (Ann Glazer)
The goal of this course is to study American culture and society through an analysis of traditional and contemporary American values, social institutions, and means of expression.

In this course, you will read, study, and listen to both famous and not-so-famous Americans sharing what they think is most important in life. This course is based on a popular radio series called *This I Believe*. In this series, Americans shared their thoughts about what was important to them – and what had influenced their daily actions. By studying what these Americans wrote, we will try to understand what Americans value, how that might be different from what Japanese value, and how that helps us understand American culture.

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Applied English professor: Ann Glazer

American Studies – F: All About Oregon (Russell Fauss)
The goal of this course is to study American culture and society through an analysis of traditional and contemporary American values, social institutions, and means of expression.

This area studies course will give students an overview of the forces that have shaped this state and the issues facing it today. Units of the class will cover topics such as geography, environment, history, economy, society and current events. Class assignments will include readings, discussions, research projects and presentations. The class also includes several field trips to relevant locations in the area.

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Applied English (Summer and Fall Semesters)
The main focus of Applied English is the development of English language skills. The course is closely coordinated with a specific ASP elective course. For example: Intercultural Management, American Society, Human Resource Management, American Politics. Students will use all skills in this course: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Discussions, presentations, listening activities, and reading/writing assignments will focus on the topics of the ASP elective course—but the purpose of the activities is to help the student develop greater oral and written fluency in English. It will also help students to better understand the subject matter being taught in the ASP elective course.

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English VI Courses

English VI - TOEIC Preparation: Listening (Melanie Sosinski)

In the TOEIC listening course, we will focus on language skills and test strategies to improve performance on Listening Parts 1-4 for the TOEIC test. We will practice listening comprehension and build vocabulary to help interpret photos, understand questions, predict responses, and identify similar/associated vocabulary words. We will take several practice tests during the semester.

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English VI - TOEIC Preparation: Reading (Harlan Kellem)

In the TOEIC reading course, we will focus on language skills and test strategies to improve performance on Reading Part 7 of the TOEIC test. We will focus on understanding short business writing such as office memos, advertisements, forms and articles. We will learn vocabulary that is important for various types of businesses, and practice scanning for key information. We will also take some practice tests during the semester.

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