**In the name of God**

**Semnan University**

**Department of English Language and Literature**

***Study Skills for Students of English as a Second Language***

**Undergraduate Program (BA)**

**Time:** Mondays (13:00 – 14:30)

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**Course Description:**

This course is designed for a 13-week term, meeting two hours per week.

**Course Goals:**

This practical course familiarizes the students with study skills such as using a dictionary, using libraries, making notes, etc. The purpose of this course is to provide instructional guide and to provide material to practice the basic study skills foreign students of English will need if they are to be successful in their academic life.

Students should consider that any comments, suggestions and ideas to improve class activities will be welcomed.

**Course Learning Objectives:**

The course will enable the students to:

1. Use English dictionaries.
2. Use libraries.
3. Make good notes.
4. Write an outline.

**Textbook:**

Yorkey, R. C. (1970). Study Skills for Students of English as a Second Language.McGraw-Hill, Inc.

**Grading:**

Student performance will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

* Class participation and attendance 5
* Midterm 5
* Final exam 10

**Course Schedule:**

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| **Sessions** | **Topics** |
| 1 | Introduction to the course |
| 2 | Studying in English |
| 3 | Using an English dictionary |
| 4 | Using an English dictionary |
| 5 | Learning the vocabulary of English |
| 6 | Writing an outline |
| 7 | Writing an outline |
| 8 | **Midterm** |
| 9 | Improving your reading |
| 10 | Improving your reading |
| 11 | Making good notes |
| 12 | Using a library |
| 13 | Preparing to pass examinations |
| 14 | **Final Exam** |