**Course Description**

**The Department of Foreign Languages Level of Students: M. 2**

**Subject Code: EN20234 Subject: Academic English 1**

**Number of Credit: 1 Time: 40 Periods**

**Learning Outcomes**

1. Identify the main idea, analyze the essence, take organized notes and express opinions from listening to lectures and reading articles, as well as provide justifications and examples for illustration
2. Demonstrate comprehension of relationships between ideas and make inferences and predictions about spoken or written discourse including the meanings of unfamiliar words from context
3. Converse and write to exchange data about themselves and various matters around them, experiences, situations, news/incidents, issues of interest to society and communicate the data continuously and appropriately
4. Write to describe non-text media such as graphs and charts, argue a position in an essay and apply the conventions of academic writing in English
5. Explain, analyse and discuss the lifestyles, thoughts, beliefs and origins of customs and traditions of native speakers along with similarities and differences between the lifestyles, beliefs and culture of native speakers and those of Thais, and apply them appropriately
6. Clearly present a fully developed response, with logically organized information and ideas, in either speaking or writing to the questions asked
7. Use a wide range of structures, comprehensive vocabulary and effective pronunciation features with full flexibility, fluency and accuracy, with very natural and sophisticated control of lexical features using precision and subtlety

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**They will do this by using learning skills in the 21st century,** which encourages the students to be able to have **reading, writing, critical thinking and problem solving skills.** Other skills include **creativity and innovation, cross-cultural understanding, collaboration, teamwork and leadership.** They also promote the students to have skills in terms of **communications, information, and media literacy, computing and ICT literacy, career and learning skills, compassion, learning, and leadership.** The learning skills will be used to make students possess **learners’ key competencies**, which are **thinking capability, problem solving capability, capability in applying life skills and capability in technological application**.This will be done **through the teaching and learning** focusing on promoting **Thai wisdom** with respect to the language and literature and religion and tradition. Teaching and learning also promotes students to live under the **Sufficiency Economy Philosophy.** Students will be provided with **desirable characteristics** such as **love of nation, religion and king, honesty and integrity and self-discipline**. Additional important characteristics are **avidity for learning, observance of principles of Sufficiency Economy Philosophy in one’s way of life, dedication and commitment to work, cherishing Thai-ness, public-mindedness and gentlemen of Assumption College**.