

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE OTHER ESL CLASSES

## ESL 131/NESL 931: Academic Reading for Non-Native Speakers

This is an advanced English class designed to improve the reading skills of non-native speakers. This course's emphasis is on increased comprehension of college-level fiction and non-fiction, making inferences based on texts, synthesizing material from several texts, evaluating written arguments, and differentiating facts from opinions. Students learn study skills related to reading that will help them manage a college reading load.

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- ✓ Distinguish between stated and implied meaning in texts.
- ✓ Evaluate the trustworthiness of a source or author.
- ✓ Apply reading skills learned in the course to complete and respond to three novels and/or non-fiction texts.



\*Students who pass NREAD 990 and NESL 931 can earn an official Palomar certificate in noncredit ESL grammar skills.