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LANG 121 Spk & Lstn: 5 Min in America
This class is designed for multilingual students to practice public speaking in English. We will organize our time into five sections represented by five important moments in American pop culture. The goal of this class is to practice casual and informal English speaking and listening skills in small groups while collaborating on more formal speaking projects. Styles of projects will depend on students' interests and abilities with a focus on consensus-building and the development of new skills in an open-minded and welcoming environment.

LANG 131 Lost in Translation: Academic Writing A Content-Based Academic Writing Course ESOL
LANG 131 is an ESL class for multilingual students. This course focuses on academic writing, which includes practice in brainstorming, organizing, and developing ideas through the formal writing process. Students will write three papers, which will be informed by brief readings, small group sessions, and class discussion. A strong emphasis will be placed on growing a sense of confidence in writing through lessons, guidance, and feedback. The content for this course, “Lost in Translation,” refers to brief readings and writing prompts that express bicultural and multilingual experiences, which students will be encouraged to explore.

LANG 210 Foreign Language Teaching Methods and Practicum I
This course will broaden your understanding of second language learning and currently espoused foreign language teaching methodologies while helping you to develop your own skills as a foreign language instructor. The main topics covered will be teaching speaking, listening, and reading skills, lesson planning, and teaching language in context. *This course is only open to foreign language teaching assistants.

LANG 211 Foreign Language Teaching Methods and Practicum II
This course will broaden your understanding of second language learning and currently espoused foreign language teaching methodologies while helping you to develop your own skills as a foreign language instructor. The main topics covered will be motivating students, teaching for cultural understanding, teaching vocabulary, and error correction. *This course is only open to foreign language teaching assistants.

Prerequisite: Visiting International Students or permission

LANG 593 Senior Integrated Project
Each program or department sets its own requirements for Senior Integrated Projects done in that department, including the range of acceptable projects, the required background of students doing projects, the format of the SIP, and the expected scope and depth of projects. See the Kalamazoo Curriculum -&gt; Senior Integrated Project section of the Academic Catalog for more details.

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