The IEP course *Listening & Speaking for Academic & Professional Purposes* offers 8 hours of instruction per week at the advanced level of English proficiency and focuses on developing students’ abilities to participate in conversations in the academic and professional space. The course is currently scheduled to be offered

- Mondays & Wednesdays, 9:10 – 11:10 am
- Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:30 – 10:50 am

Course content includes:

- **Academic and professional listening skills**
  - Strengthen students’ ability to listen for and understand appropriate signal words and expressions that indicate main ideas, key supporting details, examples, transitions, and digressions in academic and professional contexts (including but not limited to lectures, videos, news reports, documentaries, etc.)
  - Help students practice expressing main ideas and providing key details of support from a lecture or other sources and to critically analyze and question a speaker’s assertion(s)
  - Allow students to practice listening for contextual cues and tone of voice that reveal characters’ situations and emotions, including detecting sincerity, irony, and satire

- **Academic and Professional Speaking Skills**
  - Provide students with the opportunities to practice using formal and informal expressions—with the appropriate tone of voice—to admit a lack of knowledge or misunderstanding, one’s feelings on a particular subject, agreement or disagreement, and to discuss pros and cons on different topics
  - Understand how tone, intonation, and pitch play a vital role in the expression of emotions when speaking
  - Expand students’ knowledge of high-level vocabulary and equip them to properly use such vocabulary
  - Help students to understand and use vocabulary to interrupt, interject, and politely disagree during a lecture or group discussions
  - Give students the opportunity to create and execute individual and group presentations on a pre-determined topic based on the course textbook’s content or on a topic of their choice

The IEP course *Reading & Writing for Academic & Professional Purposes* offers 6 hours of instruction per week on the advanced level of English proficiency and focuses on developing students’ abilities to read and write academic texts in English. The course is currently scheduled to be offered on

- Mondays & Wednesdays, 12:40 – 2:40 pm
- Tuesdays, 11:10 – 12:30 pm
Course content includes:

- **Academic reading**
  - Practice academic reading strategies
  - Read research literature in students' specific fields of study
  - Learn about general & field-specific structure, reading & interpretation approaches, etc.

- **Academic writing**
  - Practice how to plan, structure, and write seminar papers, a thesis, a dissertation, and research articles (Funnel: general-to-specific organization, IMRD structure, etc.)
  - Practice the use of grammar for academic writing (preferred sentence structure, logical constructions, etc.)
  - Learn how to use appropriate academic language and style (language of critique, strength of claim, flow, word choice, etc.)

- **Academic integrity**
  - Practice correct use of primary and secondary sources (citation, paraphrasing, bibliography, field-specific citation & formatting styles)
  - Learn about the standards of academic research
  - Practice identifying and avoiding plagiarism and unauthorized assistance