J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number: ESL 42 **Credits:** 6

Course Title: Reading II

Course Description: Helps students improve their reading comprehension and vocabulary. Improves students' reading proficiency to a level which would allow the students to function adequately in ESL 52 and some academic college classes. Credits are not applicable toward graduation. Prerequisite: Recommendation of department following satisfactory completion of ESL 32 or appropriate placement test. Lecture 6 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: To improve students' reading proficiency to a level that would allow the students to function adequately in ESL 52 and some academic college classes.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisite: Recommendation of department following satisfactory completion of ESL 32 or appropriate placement test

Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
Read materials, both fiction and non-fiction, appropriate for the high intermediate level proficiency to:

a. Relate new information to prior knowledge, making predictions;
b. Skim and scan texts for specific reading purposes;
c. Distinguish main ideas from major and minor supporting details;
d. Understand reading for different purposes;
e. Identify text organizational patterns, the relationship of ideas in the text;
f. Distinguish fact from opinion;
g. Respond to reading in a variety of modes;
h. Make inferences, identify author's view and purpose; and
i. Summarize using one's own words.

Major Topics to Be Included:

a. Previewing texts
b. Skimming
c. Scanning
d. Identifying main ideas and support details
e. Summarizing fiction and non-fiction
f. Building vocabulary skills through use of context clues
g. Increasing reading speed
h. Distinguishing fact from opinion
i. Making inferences and identifying text organizational patterns

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: September 3, 2015