



# Accent modification class increases skills and confidence in spoken English

**M**ission College is offering an online class for non-native speakers of English to improve their clarity in pronunciation. Often a foreign accent can cause miscommunication or misperception. This class will help people who speak English fluently, yet with a foreign accent, modify their pronunciation so that they can communicate more accurately, effectively, and confidently.



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## Accent modification in a distance education environment

**T**his course will be delivered via text, digital multimedia in a web-based environment, and in person. Participants must have access to the Internet with a microphone and earphones. Through targeted exercises, recordings, and participation in web seminars, advanced speakers of English as a second or foreign language will receive guidance and extensive practice in refining their oral skills.

## New to taking an online class?

**D**on't worry if you have never taken an online oral skills class. The professor will give an on-campus hands-on orientation session on Saturday, January 26 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in room E2-401 in the main building at Mission College. She'll provide other opportunities for face-to-face learning, both in person and on the web.



## How to register for the Accent Modification class

The spring semester course (3 units) runs from January 26 to May 24, 2013.

**P**re-register from the Mission College home page [www.missioncollege.edu](http://www.missioncollege.edu).

1. Apply online for Mission College admission and get a student ID.
2. Take the ESL Placement Test at the Assessment Center. **\*\*OR\*\*** If you earned at least an A.A./A.S. degree in the USA, ask for an assessment waiver.
3. Register and pay online for the class **ESL 970AM Section 25712** through My Mission Portal.

## Details and video introduction

**F**or details about ESL 970AM Accent Modification, access <http://tinyurl.com/accentsmodification>.