

(Proposed from A.Y 2018-2019)

NIRMA UNIVERSITY
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(B. Tech. All Programmes)
(Semester I/II)

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Course Code	HS101B
Course Title	English Communication

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):

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

- acquire adequate proficiency in English communication including reading and listening, comprehension, writing and speaking skills,
- apply the dynamics of communication skills.

Syllabus:

Unit 1 Vocabulary Building

Teaching hours: 4 hrs (L)

Origin of English Language, Types of English, The concept of Word Formation, Root words from foreign languages and their use in English, Acquaintance with prefixes and suffixes from foreign languages in English to form derivatives, Synonyms, antonyms, and standard abbreviations.

Unit 2 Basic Writing Skills

Tutorial hours: 3 hrs (T)

Sentence Structures, Use of phrases and clauses in sentences, Importance of proper punctuation, Creating coherence, Organizing principles of paragraphs in documents, Techniques for writing precisely.

Unit 3 Identifying Common Errors in Writing

Teaching hours: 2 hrs (L),

Tutorial hours: 2 hrs (T)

Subject-verb agreement, Noun-pronoun agreement, Misplaced modifiers, Articles, Prepositions, Redundancies, Cliches.

Unit 3 Nature and Style of sensible Writing

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Describing, Defining, Classifying, Providing examples or evidence, Writing introduction and conclusion.

Unit 4 Writing Practices

Tutorial hours: 4 hrs (T)

Comprehension, Precis Writing, Essay Writing, Idea Expansion.

Unit 5 Oral Communication

Tutorial hours: 6 hrs (T)

Listening Comprehension, Pronunciation, Intonation, Stress and Rhythm.

Unit 6 Persuasive Communication

Teaching hours: 6 hrs (L)

Communication at Workplace: Report, Application and email writing, Referencing, Interviews, Formal Presentations.

Laboratory Work

Practices related to tenses, prepositions, word formation/transformation concord, affixes, one-word substitutes, idioms etc. Vocabulary building, Presentations and Group Discussions.

Self-Study:

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