



# NEW Spring 2021 Online Language Support Courses for International Graduate Students

The English Language Center is pleased to offer the following two new sections of AAE 491 aimed at international graduate students who have already met the MSU minimum proficiency requirement for English (through TOEFL, IELTS, or completion of required ELC coursework) but would like to further develop their English language skills:

## **AAE 491 Section 001 – 3 credits**

### **Special Topics in Effective Oral Communication for Graduate Students**

This course familiarizes students with essential aspects of effective communication in the academic setting, including features of English pronunciation, interaction strategies, and variables affecting fluency. Students will practice and receive feedback on their communicative effectiveness in contexts such as class discussions, groupwork, and mock conference presentations.

## **AAE 491 Section 002 – 3 credits**

### **Special Topics in Field-Specific Academic Writing for Graduate Students**

This course explores basic values and assumptions underlying American academic writing conventions in general, as well as variations that occur across disciplines and writing types. Students will gather and analyze scholarly writing from their own field of study in order to discover and practice employing these important writing conventions in such genres as lab reports, abstracts, literature reviews, scholarly research, etc.

AAE 491 Sec 001	:	AAE 491 Sec 002
Effective Oral	:	Field-Specific
Communication for	:	Academic Writing for
Graduate Students	:	Graduate Students

Both sections of AAE 491 will be taught online for Spring 2021 through a combination of synchronous and asynchronous coursework. Synchronous times to be determined. Students with tuition waivers may apply a portion of their waiver to cover the cost of tuition.

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