**Mohawk Valley Community College**

**Course Outline**

**SL120 Pronunciation in Practice Cr-4, C-4**

**Course Description:**

This course teaches non-native English speakers the fundamentals of American English pronunciation. Emphasis is placed on the pronunciation of language in real speaking contexts to improve oral comprehensibility of speech through intensive practice of stress, rhythm, and intonation.

**Prerequisite:** A grade of "C" or higher in SL108 ESL 3: Intermediate Listening and Speaking or SL136 ESOL Intermediate Listening & Speaking, or appropriate placement test result.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the end of the course, the student will

1. Apply correct pronunciation of most common letter/phonemic combinations in Standard

American English

2. Apply correct pronunciation and differentiation of minimal pairs.

3. Apply correct pronunciation of word combinations and clusters

4. Apply correct stress, rhythm, and intonation.

5. Use fluidity in conversation.

6. Apply correct pronunciation in different settings and contexts.

**Major Topics:**

* Vowel sounds
* Consonant sounds
* Word and sentence stress
* Sentence rhythm
* Word and sentence intonation
* Minimal pairs
* Fluidity
* Oral pragmatics

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