The purposes of this course are to give students a general view of the use of English in our everyday life. This course will give students an introduction to mass media terminologies and usages. More specifically this course will focus on movies and movie making terminologies. Students will be familiarized, and will be able to analyze and discuss about the movies and the role of movies in our everyday life. How to watch and talk about movies as one of the mass medium will be discussed in detail. The class discussions will be based, but not limited, to the following topics depending on the duration of the course.

二、先修科目(Pre Course)

英語口語訓練(一); English Oral Training 1

三、教材內容(Outline)


四、教學方式(Teaching Method)

lectures, videos, class discussions, presentations, projects

五、參考書目(Reference)

1. Exploring English through Movies (Student Book)
   Publisher: Tung Hua Book Company
2. Script Writing Handout

2010/2/23 Your Communication Environment
2010/3/2 Mass Communication
2010/3/9 Media and Culture
2010/3/16 Class Discussion
2010/3/23 A Short History of Movie
2010/3/30 Evaluating Movies
2010/4/6 Class Discussion
2010/4/13  Midterm
2010/4/20  Script Writing
2010/4/27  Students Presentations
2010/5/4  Movies in our Life
2010/5/11 The Unique Qualities of Movie
2010/5/18  Script Writing – Rules
2010/5/25  Script Writing – Formatting
2010/6/1  Technology and Transformation of Movies
2010/6/8  Hollywood Movie Distributing Companies
2010/6/15 Moviemaking Techniques
2010/6/22 Final

Your final grade will be based on: 1) your attendance and participation, quizzes, presentations (40%), 3) midterm (30%), and 4) your final exam (30%). MIDTERM: (Due as scheduled). Traditional pencil and paper test about the topics covered in class. (More details about the midterm will be announced later.) FINAL: (Due as scheduled) Your group (2 ~ 5 people) is required to write a script (20%) and make a movie (8 ~ 15 minutes) on the topic already agreed by you and your instructor (80%). (More details about the final will be announced later.) QUIZZES/PRESENTATIONS: You will have quizzes and/or presentations about the topics related to this class. ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION: you are required to attend every class. For every hour (one day of class = 2 hours) of missed class you will be deducted one percent (1%) from your final grade. There are no exceptions to this rule, and only valid excuses by the school rules will be accepted.