To: Modesto Junior College Curriculum Committee  
From: Sara Berger, Professor of ESL  
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Re: Request for New ESL Prefix

The ESL Department is currently in the process of making major curricular changes to the Academic ESL Program. Because of past and current numbers used under the current "ESL" course prefix, there are not enough numbers to create new courses in our revised program. In order to introduce new curriculum to the program, it is necessary to create a new prefix.

We would like to request the prefix "ELIC" (English Language Instruction for College) be created for use with all new ESL courses. Additionally, we believe that this new prefix will more clearly reflect the intent of the department: to offer English language instruction in order for students to gain the necessary skills to succeed in college-level courses. Moreover, we also believe that it will remove some of the stigma that some English language learners associate with the term "ESL".

Thank you for your consideration.