The English as a Second Language Program (ESL) offers course work specific to the language needs of students for whom English is a second (or subsequent) language. This course is SDCC 4. SDCC 4 is a required course for all undergraduates who have not satisfied the UC Entry-Level Writing Requirement and who have been designated as needing the course based on their UC Analytical Placement Writing Examination. A combination of instructor recommendation, Entry-Level Writing Exit Exam result, and a possible portfolio review places students into SDCC 4 for another quarter, into SDCC 1, or into a college writing sequence. Like SDCC 1, SDCC 4 is taught through a cooperative agreement with the San Diego Community College District. Under Academic Senate regulations, SDCC 4 cannot be counted toward graduation requirements; however, the course units do count as workload credit toward the minimum progress requirement and eligibility for financial assistance.

For further information about the UC Entry-Level Writing Requirement or the UC Analytical Writing Placement Exam, please visit the Basic Writing office, or call (858) 534-6177.