



Teacher Profile and Specific Course Offerings:

Anura F. Lawson, B.A. in English Literature from CSUDH, Master's in English from CSUDH, Certificate in Rhetoric and Composition from CSUDH. California English Single Subject Teaching Credential, over 10 years teaching experience with LAUSD and has taught ESL since 2001.

I offer ESL and advanced English instruction in the following areas:

ESL Beginner/Intermediate - Listening/Speaking: American Pronunciation Basics

A pronunciation class for high-beginning and low-intermediate students. This course concentrates on producing the proper North American English pronunciation patterns for vowel and consonant sounds, syllables, intonation and rhythm. Students will learn to produce and recognize the differences in sounds that are crucial for understanding and for being understood. Clear and simple basic English vocabulary, reading and speaking practice.

ESL Intermediate/Advanced - Listening/Speaking: American Pronunciation Basics

A pronunciation class for students who want to achieve a more near-native accent. This course focuses on the clear pronunciation of English in North America and includes vowels, consonants, blended sounds, rhythm and intonation. Special attention on the reduction of unstressed sounds and the simplification of sound. This course combines ordinary vocabulary and advanced academic words. Students will practice the production of sound, while also improving their listening and receiving skills.

ESL Advanced American Culture and History - Levels 5/6

This challenging class is for Advanced ESL students who want to improve their English skills by studying American culture. It's an exploration of American society and history using reading, movies, music and role-play.

ESL Advanced - Writing - Level 5/6

An advanced academic program designed to improve English writing skills using examples from English and American literature. Students will write personal and business letters, essays, etc. They will use written exercises to strengthen their command of grammar, paragraph development and punctuation.

ESL Conversation Café - Intermediate/Advanced

A wonderful opportunity to build confidence and fluency in English. Intermediate and advanced students practice speaking in small groups. Topics vary every session and include current events, culture, health, human interest and community issues.

In Depth Literature Option- Advanced /High School/College

The student and teacher will explore the likes of Shakespeare, Chaucer, Plato, Aristotle, etc. This class will help students explore the writing styles, and rhetorical devices used by these cannon writers. The culminating task for this class will be a research essay based on a focused inquiry into the life of a significant cannon writer. The teacher will support and guide the student through every step of this assignment.

Lawson Family Information:

We live in Los Angeles, California with our four children ages 0 to 16 years of age. I am a teacher with the Los Angeles Unified School District. I am an English teacher and an English Tutor. My husband Derek is a nurse at Cedars Sinai Hospital. Our daughter Aminah is in the 11th grade. Our son Ahmad is in the 7th grade. Our daughter Ava is 2, and our daughter Autumn is 1.

We enjoy having students from other countries come and stay with us. We feel that the knowledge and interactions that we have with these students make us better human beings. We hope that we will have a chance to continue this multicultural exchange.

We are located in the Beverlywood area in Los Angeles, California. We are centrally located near Beverly Hills, Culver City, West Los Angeles, Westwood, Hollywood, Santa Monica, and Downtown Los Angeles.

International students will have the opportunity to hang out in Beverly Hills, Sun bathe at the two beaches near our home, shop in Hollywood and perhaps bump into a star or two, visit Universal Studios, Scream at Magic Mountain, and cry at Disneyland. I know that you are here to learn, but you can still have fun while you learn.

Every Sunday our students are invited to go shopping with us at the famous Organic Market in Hollywood. This is quite a treat for students. Students will shop and experience the world of "Organic Foods." It is a famous shopping spot for the many organic superstars who love to eat and live green.

Thank you for your interest and time.

Best Regards,

Anura Lawson

Our Family and International Friends



Japan

Our family with Misuki and her mother from



and Barbara from Budapest

Ahmad and Aminah with Yu from Japan



and Autumn

My Husband Derek with our daughters Ava



Our guest Judy from China, Megume from Japan, and Claudia from Germany

Our Student and Guest Rooms (All rooms have a fridge and microwave in suite)



Guest Room One

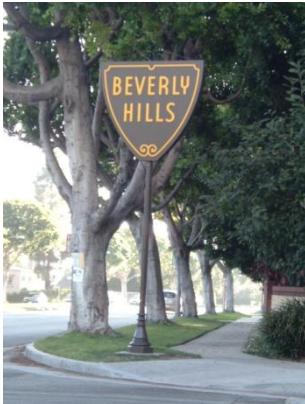


Guest Room Two



Guest Room Three

Places of Interest near our home



our home)



Beverly Hills (7 minutes from



Griffith Park Observatory (20 minutes from our home)



Sony Pictures Studios (10 minutes from our home)



La Brea Tar Pits (15 minutes from our home)



Malibu Beach (20 minutes from our home)



Santa Monica Beach (10 minutes from our home)



The Farmers Market in Hollywood (10 minutes from our



home)



Six Flags Magic Mountain (30 minutes from our home)



Universal Studios Hollywood (20 minutes from our home)



The Los Angeles Zoo (20 minutes from our home)