

SWOSU English as Second Language Club Enjoys Outing

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The new English as Second Language (ESL) Club at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford recently journeyed to the Quartz Mountain area in southwest Oklahoma.

Co-faculty sponsor Fred Alsberg said the objective of the ESL Camp was to find a perfect place and a conducive spot outside the classroom for SWOSU ESL Club members to enhance their listening, speaking, reading, writing and critical thinking skills.

Members who attended the ESL Camp were: Jubran Alyami, Jessica Janet Hernandez, Deborah Ugwu, Omotoyosi Ematowo, Goodness Samuel, Mohammed Alsugair, Abdulaala Almuhsan, Splendour Asekhaime, Li Chi Chiu, Jiyoun Kim, Nancy Gyimah, Su Hong-Yu, Chang Chia-Yu, Yong-Jhao Chu, Yi-syuan Li, and Dhruv Patel.

Camp activities included:

- A job interview workshop by Camilo Peralta. Members learned how to ask and answer questions during a one-on-one interview
- An ESL poetry workshop by Prof. Fred Alsberg. Members learned to use vivid descriptions and sensory details in their writing
- ESL's "got talent" members learned to use their English language skills to show off their individual and/or group talents and public speaking skills confidently. They performed before an audience consisting of members who were from different countries and religions. Most importantly, they got to know each other and had a lot of fun working as a team.
- A scenic walk in nature was enjoyed by members who became aware of nature and the local eco-system. They also learned to reflect, to love and respect nature.

The ESL Club formed during the 2016 spring semester. The club is open to everyone but especially international students whose first language is not English. For more information, contact ESL faculty sponsors Tee Kesnan or Fred Alsberg.