



# Reflections on the Cohesion of College English and English for Specific Purposes

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Abstract: With the rapid development of my country's economy and technology, the exchanges between my country and other countries have become closer. In the face of the new situation, traditional college English can no longer meet the requirements of international communication. Therefore, English for specific purposes has become a more important teaching subject in universities in our country, training high-quality English talents for the society. This article analyzes and discusses the connection between college English and English for specific purposes, and proposes corresponding solutions to improve the teaching quality of English for specific purposes in my country.

Keywords: College English; English for Specific Purposes; Cohesion Problems; Countermeasures

After my country's reform and opening up, the economy has developed rapidly. Especially in recent years, my country's economic development has become faster and faster, and economic exchanges and exchanges with foreign countries have become more frequent. English is the main language of international communication, and it plays a very important role in international exchanges and communication. In the context of the global economy, the requirements for English in international exchanges are becoming more and more stringent. Traditional English learning can no longer meet the international needs. At present, the demand in society is for English talents in professional fields who can clearly express their profession in communication. Some content in the field. This involves the teaching of general-purpose English and special-purpose English, but for college English, it is essentially just a branch of general-purpose English.

# 1. The connection between college English and English for specific purposes

As far as the current English teaching in my country is concerned, it is mainly divided into two parts, one is general purpose English and the other is special purpose English. Among them, general purpose English is mainly used to teach students the basic language structure. Students learning general purpose English will have no problems facing the appreciation of literary works and ordinary communication. But when it comes to the exchange of knowledge in some professional fields, it is not satisfactory and it is difficult to express clearly.

#### 1.1 What is English for specific purposes

The so-called special purpose English refers to the English related to professional fields or specific occupations. The purpose and teaching objectives of special purpose English teaching are set up for specific occupations and fields. For example, civil servants, legal workers, police, agricultural experts, nurses and engineers in many occupations.

## 1.2 Sources of English for specific purposes

English for professional purposes first appeared in the 1960s. After World War II, the European and American industries and economies have developed rapidly, and the development of science and technology is far ahead of other countries. Therefore, English has become a common language for international communication. With the ever-increasing

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intensification of international communication, there are close ties between all walks of life, general-purpose English can no longer meet the needs of international communication, so people's purpose of learning English has changed from a single to a diverse direction, so special-purpose English gradually appeared in people's field of vision.

# 1.3 The relationship between college English and English for specific purposes

College English and English for specific purposes have the same teaching goals. There is an inseparable relationship between the two teaching at different levels in the same goal. College English can ensure that there will be no problems in the daily communication of learners. It is the basis and prerequisite of ESP. The teaching process of ESP is bound to be inseparable from college English. Special purpose English can be regarded as an extension of college English, so the teaching methods and teaching principles of college English can be used directly in the teaching of special purpose English. Although English for specific purposes is set for related professional fields and occupations, it is still in the category of English. It has no special form and is not a branch of English. It is only more closely related to the professional field. In the teaching process, a certain specialized knowledge structure must be integrated, and there is a certain difference from the professor of professional knowledge. The special purpose English is more focused on the input of language knowledge.

## 2. Countermeasures for the cohesion of college English and English for professional purposes

#### 2.1 Strengthen teachers

As far as my country's current universities are concerned, English majors are basically English language and literature majors, and there are few teachers with professional knowledge. The structure of teachers is relatively simple, which has a restraining effect on the development of special-purpose English teaching. Therefore, it is imperative to strengthen the teaching staff. Aiming at the goal of special purpose English teaching, recruiting professional talents from the society, providing special training for existing teachers, strengthening communication and communication between special purpose English teachers and professional course teachers, and increasing special purpose English teachers professional knowledge to improve the comprehensive quality of English teachers.

### 2.2 Update the curriculum

Aiming at the teaching goals of English for special purpose, adjust the curriculum according to the school's own conditions, increase the ratio of listening and oral communication courses, strengthen students' professional knowledge, strengthen students' daily use of English, and provide students with more opportunities and conditions use English for specific purposes to improve students' comprehensive English ability.

#### 2.3 Make full use of modern teaching models

The rapid development of information technology has facilitated people's life, work and study. In the process of special purpose English teaching, teachers should make full use of information technology, strengthen teaching effects through information technology, and help students use network technology correctly to complete classroom teaching. Later, through information technology to complete after-class self-study, review and homework. Cultivate students' sense of self-inquiry, establish the ability and quality of lifelong learning, and be able to find and solve problems in daily learning.

#### 3. Conclusion

Special purpose English plays a vital role in the development of science, technology and economy under the new situation. Strengthening the teaching effect of special purpose English can send more professionals to the society and strengthen international exchanges. In the process of special purpose English teaching, handle the connection between college English and special purpose English, strengthen the communication between the two, complement each other, and improve the teaching effect and quality of special purpose English.

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