In the Name of God Syllabus for Introduction to Language Assessment BA Program in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) English Language Department Mofid University Winter & Spring, 2025

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This syllabus is tentative and subject to change.

A. Objectives of the Course:

The course aims to familiarize students with the functions, forms, kinds, and characteristics of language tests. It also assists them in developing, administering, and scoring their language tests.

B. Course Material:

Farhady, H., Jafarpur, A., & Birjandi, P. (1994). *Testing language skills: From theory to practice*. Tehran: SAMT Publications.

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C. Course Outline:

Session 1: Introduction Session 2: Functions of language tests Session 3: Forms of language tests Session 4: Kinds of language tests Sessions 5, 6 & 7: Basic statistics in testing Session 8: Review, Midterm exam Sessions 9 & 10: Test construction Session 11: Testing vocabulary Session 12: Testing structure Session 13: Testing reading comprehension Sessions 14 & 15: Characteristics of a good test Session: 16: Review

D. Course Requirements:

- 1. Class attendance and participation
- 2. Assignments
- 3. Midterm examination
- 4. Final examination

E. Evaluation System (allocation of points to requirements):

- 1. Class attendance and participation (2 points)
- 2. Assignments (2 points)
- 3. Midterm examination (4 points)
- 4. Final examination (12 points)

"Experience is a hard teacher because she gives the test first, the lesson afterwards." — Vernon Sanders Law

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