

## **Spoken Communication: Partners and Spouses**

## **Course Description**

*Spoken Communication: Partners and Spouses* is an intermediate level course in which students learn the speaking skills and conversational strategies needed to ask culturally and linguistically appropriate questions and to communicate effectively in a range of authentic contexts. In this course, students will participate in real-life scenarios, presentations, group discussions and outings while exploring common U.S. customs, expectations and other contextual factors. Learners will refresh and embed vocabulary, get to know the city of Chicago, utilize conversation skills and complete a range of relevant tasks that can be immediately applied to everyday life.

## **Student Learning Outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate awareness of the Englishes of Chicago
- Communicate in English employing skills for a range of common contexts
- Interact in English with improved confidence
- Exercise learner autonomy for practicing English
- Demonstrate knowledge and critical understanding of the city of Chicago

## **Required Materials**

- Cell phone or laptop to access the internet
- A notebook for new vocabulary and class notes