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PREFACE

All praise and gratitude are due to God Almighty, whose blessings and guidance have enabled the completion of this book titled *English for Specific Purposes: Bridging Language and Professional Needs*. This book is written in response to the growing need for English language instruction that is both relevant and applicable to the diverse demands of academic and professional contexts in today's globalized world.

English for Specific Purposes (ESP) is not merely an alternative to general English teaching it is a targeted, needs-based approach that equips learners with the specific linguistic skills required in their respective fields, whether in law, medicine, business, engineering, tourism, or information technology. Through ESP, language instruction becomes meaningful, goal-oriented, and directly linked to real-world communication.

This book explores a range of essential topics including the definition and scope of ESP, needs analysis, course design and development, material selection and adaptation, integration of technology, assessment strategies, and various teaching methodologies. Drawing on key theoretical foundations and current best practices, it offers practical insights for language educators and curriculum designers.

It is the author's hope that this book will serve as a valuable resource for teachers, lecturers, students, researchers, and institutions involved in ESP instruction. It is also intended to support those seeking to align English language programs with the specific requirements of the workplace and professional training.

The author would like to extend sincere appreciation to all colleagues, mentors, and collaborators who have contributed ideas, support, and encouragement during the writing of this book. Constructive feedback and critical suggestions from readers are warmly welcomed for future improvement.

May this book, *English for Specific Purposes: Bridging Language and Professional Needs*, contribute meaningfully to the development of effective and context-sensitive English language teaching across disciplines and professions.

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The Author

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English for Specific Purposes: Bridging Language and Professional Needs hadir sebagai jawaban atas kebutuhan pembelajaran bahasa Inggris yang semakin terarah pada tuntutan akademik dan profesional di era global. Buku ini ditulis oleh Dr. Elda Martha Suri, S.S., M.Pd dan Dewi Kristiani Bawamenewi, dengan tujuan memberikan pemahaman mendalam sekaligus panduan praktis mengenai konsep, teori, serta penerapan English for Specific Purposes (ESP) dalam berbagai bidang.

Berbeda dengan pengajaran bahasa Inggris umum, ESP menekankan pendekatan berbasis kebutuhan (needs-based approach), sehingga pembelajaran menjadi lebih relevan, terfokus, dan aplikatif. Buku ini mengupas topik penting mulai dari analisis kebutuhan, desain kurikulum, pengembangan materi, strategi pengajaran, integrasi teknologi, hingga asesmen dan evaluasi. Tidak hanya membahas teori, buku ini juga memperkaya pembaca dengan studi kasus nyata dari berbagai bidang seperti kedokteran, hukum, bisnis, pariwisata, dan teknik.