

English Language Institute

English as a Second Language

Westchester Community College · Valhalla Campus & Extension Centers

The English Language Institute, located in the Gateway Center, offers English as a Second Language (ESL) classes to meet the needs of learners whose native language is not English. Beginner through advanced levels are offered. Level is determined by placement exam. Registration begins in the Gateway Center, Rm. 243. **The Institute is open Mon—Thurs, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm, Fri. 9:00 am-5:00 pm, and Sat., 9:00 am-3:30 pm.** Our courses are also offered in Summer (May-Aug.) and Fall (Sept.-Dec.)

How to Register for ESL Courses

WHEN? Registration for Spring 2017 ESL courses opens **Monday, November 21, 2016.**

Register only in person or by telephone (No Internet registration)

WHERE? English Language Institute (ELI) Office in Gateway Center, Room 243. Pay in the English Language Institute with Visa/MasterCard/Discover or check. Cash payments are accepted but only during normal business hours (M-F, 9-5) at the Office of the Bursar; register first in ELI Office.

Additional costs (Registration and FSA fee paid once per semester):

- \$13.00 per semester, Valhalla courses (\$8.00 FSA fee + \$5 registration fee)
- \$8.25 per semester, off-campus courses (\$3.25 FSA fee + \$5 registration fee)

Telephone registration also begins Monday, November 21.

Call 914-606-6656 and pay with Visa, MasterCard or Discover. Internet registration is NOT available.

NY/Westchester County Residency: All ESL tuition rates in this section are resident rates. Residents have been in New York for one year or more. Non-residents are welcome, but pay a 175% non-resident surcharge in addition to the regular tuition. Call 914-606-6656 for information.

(Note: ELI-ESL 1210, 1400, 1501YR, 1510, 1515, 1520 1820 & ELI-TESL 3000 do not pay a non-resident surcharge.)

PLACEMENT TEST (to determine your English level): Testing required if you are new to our program or did not take the ESL final test in Summer 2016 or Fall 2016. Placement test is given at first session of all programs with levels and certain other courses. You must register before taking the test. Testing information and appointments are provided when you register.

GENERAL MULTI-LEVEL ESL

INTENSIVE (5-DAY), SATURDAY OR SUNDAY (ALL DAY), MORNING OR EVENING (2-DAY)

Six levels of ESL instruction are offered. Each level provides balanced instruction and active practice in all English language skills: listening, speaking (including pronunciation), standard grammar, reading, and writing. New students take an examination to determine the level at which they begin study. Our English-only environment for all activities promotes maximum learning. These courses serve the needs of the general learner and learners specifically preparing for college/university study. Instructors are professionals in TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages).

Intensive English Program

5 days, Mon-Fri. This 15-hour per week course allows motivated learners of English to advance rapidly, starting at any level from beginner to advanced. The Intensive English Program meets the needs of serious learners, such as preparation for university study, or to increase career possibilities. All students take three classes: **Intensive Grammar & Reading** 2 days per week (M/Th), **Intensive Listening, Speaking & Pronunciation** 2 days per week (T/F) and **Intensive Writing** 1 day per week (W). A placement test is required of all new students. Accent on Fluency, open to all IEP students, supplements the Intensive English Program with an additional 3 hours per week of instruction and practice in one or more particular skill or content areas.

Intensive ESL, 5 Mornings: 9:00 am-12:00 noon

ELI-ESL 1029 (Intensive Grammar & Reading) 26 M/Th, Jan. 19-Apr. 24, , GTW-243*.

ELI-ESL 1129 (Intensive Listening, Speaking & Pronunciation) 25 T/F, Jan. 20-Apr. 25, GTW-243*.

ELI-ESL 1709 (Intensive Writing) 14 Wed., Jan. 11-Apr. 26, GTW-243*.

Registration is required in all 3 courses: 1029, 1129 and 1709. Total tuition is \$889 + \$13 in fees.

Placement test is Wed., Jan. 11 at 9:00 am, GTW-243 • 1st class: Jan. 18, Last class: Apr. 26 • no classes on 1/12-17; 3/13-17; 4/14.

F-1 Students: Students who have F-1 status (have form I-20) meet the full-time study requirement by enrolling in Accent on Fluency (ELI-ESL-1210) or any other ELI approved non-credit ESL course meeting at least 3 hours per week. See Specialized Courses section for course options.

Note: Immigration form I-20A/B (for F-1 student visa/status) is available to full-time participants in the Intensive English Program or the TESOL Certificate Program. Call 914-606-7889 for important F-1 information and a special application.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BEGIN A COLLEGE DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAM?

If you have completed or are now completing ELI level 5 (or have an equivalent level of English proficiency) and are considering enrolling in a college/university program, call the ELI at 914-606-7889 to make an appointment with a TESOL specialist to discuss your future studies. We will help you answer the question: Am I ready for college? We will evaluate your English language ability and, if appropriate, provide a referral necessary for entrance to the college. Even if you are not completely ready for college, you may be able to begin a certificate or degree program while you continue improving your English. In addition to our general ESL programs, we have specialized ESL courses which have helped many ESL learners succeed in college and achieve their academic goals.

English for Academic Purposes Program

Prepares students for matriculated college study through a contextualized academic curriculum that integrates English language skills with academic content. English for Academic Purposes offers an introduction to academic literacy with a focus on building academic vocabulary and reading and writing skills applied to academic tasks. The course also develops independent study skills, test preparation, and communication skills needed for college readiness.

ELI-ESL 1650. (Select A, C, P, or Q)

(A) 12 Sat., Jan. 21-Apr. 15 (skip 3/18), 9:00 am-3:30 pm, GTW-243, \$296.

(C) 24 Mon./Wed. Evenings, Jan. 18-Apr. 17 (skip 3/13, 15), 6:30-9:30 pm, GTW-243, \$296.

(P) 24 Mon./Thurs. Mornings, Jan. 12-Apr. 13 (skip 1/16; 3/13, 16), 9:00 am-12:00 noon, GTW-243, \$296.

(Q) 24 Tues./Fri. Mornings, Jan. 13-Apr. 11 (skip 3/14, 17), 9:00 am-12:00 noon, GTW-243, \$296.

ESL for Healthcare

A contextualized ESL pathway course providing learners with the opportunity to develop their speaking, listening, reading, and writing English skills in preparation for study in healthcare related courses. Emphasis is placed on improving academic reading and writing skills, academic vocabulary acquisition, developing communication skills, and gaining knowledge through a content-based curriculum involving participation in activities and study of texts related to healthcare programs and professions. Course topics include: exploring career goals in Health Care; communicating with patients and families; critical issues in Health Care; intercultural communication in Health Care. Prerequisite: ELI Level 6 proficiency.

ELI-ESL 1820, 12 Sat., Jan. 28-Apr. 22 (skip 3/18), 9:00 am-12:00 noon, GTW-243, \$245.

Pronunciation and Conversation Workshop / ESL

For intermediate to advanced learners whose spoken English is at ELI level 6+. This course is designed to help students increase their communication skills particularly in the areas of pronunciation and speaking. Students will learn sentence rhythm, intonation, and stress. In addition, students will also learn the difference between similar English sounds, how to better pronounce difficult sounds and how a sound's pronunciation changes depending on where it occurs in a word. By the end of the course, students should improve their comprehensibility and build confidence. Students will engage in a variety of individual and group activities including class discussion and home assignments. While oral language is stressed, students will be required to read articles for discussion and submit written homework assignments reinforcing vocabulary.

At Yonkers Center: ELI-ESL 1501YR, 20 M/W, Jan. 25-Apr. 10 (skip 3/13, 15), 9:15-11:15 am, \$252.

Citizenship Exam Preparation

Offered through the College's Welcome Center

Designed for students whose English is at least at a high-beginning level (ELI Level 3+). Students will learn about American history and government and practice their English language skills as they prepare for the civics and English portions of the U.S. Citizenship exam. To register, or for more information, please call Eileen McKee at 914-606-5626.

Cost of class is FREE but students must pay \$8 FSA fee and \$5 registration fee.

ELI-ESL 1860 **Sec. F:** 6 Thursdays, Feb. 2-Mar. 9, 9:15 am-12:15 pm, Room, GTW-110.

ELI-ESL 1860 **Sec. D:** 6 Thursdays, Feb. 2-Mar. 9, 6:30-9:30 pm, Room, GTW-110.

TESOL Certificate Program

The intensive, 12-week, non-credit TESOL certificate program prepares you to teach ESL to adults in the U.S. or abroad. Practical classroom instruction integrated with observation and discussion of ELI classes allows for development of knowledge and teaching skills, which you apply and hone by practice teaching in our diverse array of courses which span a broad range of proficiency levels. Additional details at www.sunywcc.edu/TESOL. Form I-20 is available for TESOL students.

ELI-TESL 3000, M/W/Th, Jan. 23-Apr. 20 (skip 3/13, 15, 16), 6:30-10:00 pm, GTW-236, \$1,825.
