THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA®



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE WHERE THE WORLD COMES TOGETHER

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Capstone International Center English Language Institute

Intensive English Program (IEP)

For individuals who want to improve their English and experience U.S. culture and student life on a large, traditional university campus

All ELI teachers have master's degrees in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL), and many have lived and taught outside of the United States.

5 levels of study (high elementary to advanced)

The ELI Placement Exam on the first day of the session is used to place you in the appropriate level for each class.

Students will study 20 hours per week of core classes and can also take 1-5 additional hours per week in optional classes, workshops and seminars.

Core Classes

Reading/Writing, Speaking/Listening, and Structure (Grammar)

Student Activities

Concerts, shopping, recreational sports, weekend trips to nearby cities

Sample Seminar Topics

Seasonal holiday celebrations Sporting events U.S. southern culture Movies & music

Program Details

Session length 8 weeks (fall/spring) 6 weeks (summer) Short sessions available (3-4 weeks)

Enrollment/study period

1-12 months Single session (full or half) Multiple sessions

Classroom instruction 20-25 class hours per full week Small classes Professional teachers

Cultural activities outside of class

Campus immersion

Certificate awarded at end of session

Accredited Program





Academic Calendar

Fall 2024 8 weeks	1 August 19 - October 10
	2 October 15 - December 12
Spring 2025 8 weeks	1 January 3 - February 25
	2 February 27 - April 28*
Summer 2025 6 weeks	1 May 5 - June 16
	2 June 23 - August 1
Fall 2025 8 weeks	1 August 18 - October 9
	2 October 14 - December 11

* Spring 2 dates include one week of no classes (Spring Break).

Cost per Session

(U.S. dollars)	Fall/Spring (8 weeks)	Summer (6 weeks)
Tuition	\$2,316	\$2,316
UA student fee	\$684	\$504
Medical Insurance	\$440	\$350
Books	\$170*	\$170*
**Housing	\$1,650*	\$1,730*
Food	\$1,119*	\$1,119*
Total cost/session	\$6,379	\$6,189

* estimate / ** on-campus, limited availability

How to Apply

- 1. Choose your start date from the sessions listed in the Academic Calendar.
- 2. Complete and submit the online application* (eli.ua.edu).
- 3. Pay the required, non-refundable \$75 application fee.
- 4. Upload your passport and financial support document.

*Minimum age for students is 17 years old.

For more information, visit eli.ua.edu and click on

When the ELI receives and approves all documents, you will receive an email with instructions on how to pay the required, non-refundable \$250 tuition deposit.

After you are accepted for admission, you will receive:

- $1. \ {\rm An} \ {\rm email} \ {\rm confirming} \ {\rm your} \ {\rm admission}$
- 2. An email that includes:
 - a. Your letter of acceptance for admission
 - b. Your I-20 OR your DS-2019 document
 - c. More instructions about IEP admission, enrollment, and your travel to the United States

Please review your documents carefully and follow the instructions. Contact the ELI office if you have questions or concerns.



Highlighted Programs

Meet U.S. Students

There are many ways to meet native English speakers.

Culturally Speaking

- Free optional class
- Meets twice a week
- Includes small groups
- For students in levels 2-6

Culture & Language Exchange Program

- Request a language partner
- Be matched with a university student
- Meet for conversations

Speaking/Listening 5 & 6 Courses

- University students join these courses twice a week
- Students discuss a wide range of topics in small groups
- A great way for higher level students to improve their English

Multi-Cultural Coffee Hour

- Enjoy free coffee, tea and snacks
- Get to know and speak with university students, faculty and staff
- Meets weekly

Academic Admission to UA

Conditional Admission

Apply for conditional admission to The University of Alabama (UA) if you need to improve your English.

Conditional admission is available to:

- Undergraduate students (Bachelor's degree)
- Graduate students (Master's or Doctoral degree)

If you have conditional admission, you will begin your studies in the UA English Language Institute (ELI).

Pathway to UA

English+Academic Credit

Pathway to UA allows students to earn academic credit toward their degree and improve their English at the same time.

Program Details

Students will study in *Pathway to UA* for two semesters. After completing this program, students will have 15 credits and will begin taking full-time courses for credit.

Two-semester program

- English requirement = 72-78 iBT, 5.5 IELTS, or DET 100 with IEP Level 5.
- Possible start dates = January or August
- Academic credit earned = 15 credit hours
- Tuition cost = \$25,596 (estimate)



LIFE AT UA





Multi-Cultural Coffee Hour

Accommodations

On-campus housing available: Walk to classes, enjoy the convenience, make friends, and experience campus life! Most ELI students live in dormitory-style residence halls, though sometimes apartment-style housing is available at a higher cost.

Meals in campus cafeterias, nearby restaurants or in your residence hall:

Buy a meal plan, pay for your meals individually, or buy groceries from a local supermarket and prepare your own meals!

Campus Life

The University of Alabama has one of the largest and most beautiful campuses in the United States, with lots of trees, flowers, grass and open spaces.

Hiking at Lake Lurleen

UA events: Participate in a wide variety of academic, cultural, recreational, and social events on campus, including lectures, concerts, theater performances and sporting events.

Special activities for ELI students: Participate in special cultural and recreational activities for ELI students, including weekend trips to nearby cities and attractions as well as weekly local activities.

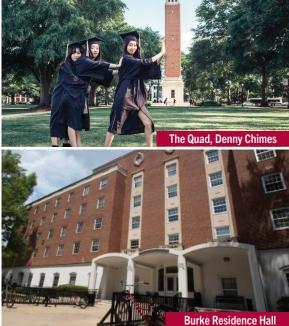
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From and to the airport

The ELI assists with arrangements for transportation between the Birmingham, Alabama airport (BHM) and the UA campus. Please contact the ELI office for more information.

From and to the local train or bus station

The ELI assists with arrangements for transportation between the local train or bus station and the UA campus. Please contact the ELI office for more information.

In the city: Public transportation is available within the city of Tuscaloosa. Walking is also very common; for example, it takes 30 minutes to walk downtown from the UA campus.

On campus: Students can easily move around campus by walking, riding a bicycle or taking one of the free campus buses.

Student Health Center

ENT HEALTH CENTER AND PHARMACY

Safety

UA.EDU/CAMPUSLIFE/SAFETY: UA's portal to safety resources available to you on campus: university police, emergency preparedness, counseling, UA alerts.

Facilities

ELI students have access to campus facilities, such as libraries, computer labs, dining halls, recreation centers (gyms), Student Health Center, Writing Center, and Career Center.



The UA English Language Institute, established in 1982, offers a year-round, 5-level Intensive English Program for non-native English speakers. With over 7,000 alumni in roughly 95 countries, the ELI enrolls students from around the world in each of its 6 annual sessions.

The University of Alabama (UA)

- Public university
- Founded 1831
- 39,000+ students
- 200+ degree programs
- Large, beautiful campus

English Language Institute (ELI)

- Established 1982
- Students from around the world
- 20-25 hours of class per week
- Professional teachers
- Small classes (5 levels of study)
- Campus housing & meals
- Cultural/recreational activities

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