International Center for Academic and Professional English

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The International Center for Academic and Professional English (ICAPE) at Lehigh University offers a variety of year-round courses (https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/credit-courses), language/culture workshops (https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/workshops), language testing (https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/testing-services), and private tutoring (https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/tutoring) for undergraduate and graduate students who would like to improve their academic English skills and their understanding of American pragmatics and culture.

UNDERGRADUATE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT COURSES FOR CREDIT

Based on language test scores and an English placement test, undergraduate students who are non-native speakers of English (and those who speak varieties of English other than standard American English) may be required to register for ENGL 003 and ENGL 005 (Composition and Literature for International Writers I and II) as their required first-year English composition courses. These two courses, taken consecutively in the Fall and Spring semesters, are designed specifically with multilingual writers of English in mind, and they can substitute for ENGL 001 and ENGL 002 general composition courses.

ENGL 016 (Recitation Session for Critical Reading and Composition) and ENGL 017 (Recitation for Research and Argument) are additional 1-credit support seminars that will help students succeed in ENGL 001, 002, 003, and 005.

Multilingual English-speaking students who need additional focused practice to help them improve their academic English language skills may be required to register for ENGL 015 (Speech Communication for International Speakers) and/or ESLP 003 (Intelligibility and Comprehensibility in English).

GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL ENGLISH (ESLP) COURSES FOR CREDIT

Based on language test scores and graduate department requirements, graduate students who are non-native speakers of English (and those who speak varieties of English other than standard American English) may be required to register for courses in academic writing, speaking & listening, and advanced academic presentations offered in both Fall and Spring semesters. These courses include ESLP 001 (Academic Writing and Grammar), ESLP 002 (Academic Writing and Reading for Research), ESLP 003 (Intelligibility and Comprehensibility in English), ESLP 004 (Advanced Academic Speaking), and/or ESLP 011 (Technical Writing and Composition).

INTERNATIONAL TEACHING ASSISTANTS FOR CREDIT/NON-CREDIT

For multilingual English-speaking Teaching Assistants, ESLP 012 (Advanced Presentation Skills for teaching Assistants) and/or ESLP 003 (Intelligibility and Comprehensibility in English) and/or tutoring may also be required, depending on required language testing. For language testing of teaching assistants, please see the following web site: https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/testing-services

STEPUP INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM FOR NON-CREDIT

The StepUp Program is a rigorous, non-credit English program for admitted as well as non-admitted Lehigh students who choose to, or are required to, improve their English skills while taking or prior to taking credit courses at Lehigh University. The StepUp program enhances students’ English skills in advanced academic reading and writing, spoken academic language, and American pragmatics through intensive practice, integrated skills focus, and experiential learning on campus. StepUp also serves as an excellent orientation to the Lehigh University culture and the expectations of a university classroom. StepUp courses may fulfill requirements for conditionally admitted students.

For program information, dates, fees, and registration forms, visit the StepUp website: https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/stepup

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LEARNING ASSESSMENT LAB (ELLA)

Graduate students can register for private tutoring appointments in ICAPE’s English Language and Learning Assessment Lab (ELLA). In each semester-long program, students will study individually with a professional ICAPE teacher utilizing a curriculum specifically customized to each student’s interests and needs. For program information, dates, fees, and registration forms, visit the ICAPE Tutoring website: https://global.lehigh.edu/icape/tutoring