



English Language Instruction (ELI) for International Students



The College of Lake County's English Language Instruction (ELI) program is designed to help students prepare for success in college-level classes. Our nationally accredited, award winning program features:

- **Four levels of language instruction**—beginning, intermediate, advanced and transitional. The transitional level gives students the opportunity to take a college-level course in addition to ELI. When students arrive on campus, they will take the ELI ACCUPLACER test to be placed in the correct level. TOEFL scores are not required. All language skills—reading, writing, grammar, vocabulary, speaking and listening—are given equal importance and practice in the classroom.
- **A state-of-the-art language lab** where students will practice their English skills, in a group or individually, using audio and instruction and practice. Special attention is given to academic language and vocabulary that students will need when they continue their studies or practice their profession.
- **Small class sizes of about 18 students**, taught by qualified, experienced and caring faculty who provide students with personalized attention. Our instructors' main focus is to help students quickly obtain the English language skills they will need for further education or a professional career.



The ELI ACCUPLACER Test and Placement:

ELI ACCUPLACER is a computerized multiple-choice test with no time limits, but students should allow at least one hour for the test. The test has three parts: reading skills, listening and language use. Students will receive their test results immediately upon completion of the test and a handout that explains what ELI classes they will take depending on their score.

Our campus features:

- Many spaces to study, a full service library and computer labs with free Internet access.
- Dining facilities, gym and a fitness center.
- Free academic support services. Our helpful staff and faculty guide English learners every step of the way in a warm, safe and friendly environment.
- English conversation circles where students can informally practice their English together.

After completing ELI classes and gaining English proficiency at the College of Lake County, students can continue on to earn an associate degree or certificate or transfer to a four-year college or university to attain a bachelor's degree.

Student testimonials:

“I always knew that my professors would be there for me and they were understanding and helpful. It’s not just learning English, it’s also being involved in the community.”

– Viktoria Troscaka, student from Latvia

“It’s the best way to improve English skills.”

– Youngwoo Han, student from Korea

“My favorite thing about the ELI classes was the teachers. They were very helpful. I’m planning on transferring to a four-year university in the Chicago area because it’s a great city and I love it. “If I could describe the college in one word, it would be family, because everyone is always trying to help you.”

– Daina Nascimento, student from Brazil

“ELI is teaching me English to prepare me for a four-year university. Then I can go back to my country and teach English. All the activities at CLC help you to meet new people and feel more comfortable. What I like the most about CLC is the friendly, international and welcoming environment.”

– Cindy Osorio, student from Honduras