

English Language Courses - Summer 2009



Take advantage of UCLA's expertise in English language training to gain all the skills you need to succeed in the academic and professional worlds. Campus life and off-campus excursions will complement this intensive classroom instruction to bring you quickly up to linguistic proficiency.

Conversation and Interaction for Academic Purposes (ESL 32) session A & C

Develop your speaking skills and critical listening skills so you can interact effectively with colleagues and fellow students. Class activities include short speeches, role plays, group activities, class discussions, and language lab exercises.

Advanced English for Academic Purposes (ESL 33C) session A

If your English is already quite strong, you can bring it up to university level with this multiskill class. Reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills are coordinated through a curriculum based on topics of current interest.

Approaches to University Writing for ESL Students (ESL 35) session C

Writing in English is a challenging skill to acquire. This course will teach you to think critically, to organize and synthesize information, and to write and revise analytical essays. Ample practice in writing strategies and editing for grammar and punctuation will produce notable improvement and will make you more comfortable expressing yourself in written English. (**UCLA graduate students only*).

Pronunciation: Stress and Intonation in English (ESL 38A)

Perfect your English pronunciation by studying stress, rhythm, and intonation. An in-depth understanding of the rhythms of English will help you communicate clearly and effectively in social, professional, and academic settings. Students re-enact scenes from theater, television, and movies to practice their skills. (*Session A only for international students*).

Pronunciation: Sound System of English (ESL 38B)

Learn the exact science of sound production in English—how sounds are produced and how they change in rapid speech. Specially designed software will help you achieve accurate and understandable English pronunciation.

Business Communication (ESL 97A)

Learn to speak confidently in business situations while improving your fluency and pronunciation. Through hands-on practice, you'll gain skill at giving presentations, fielding questions, leading discussions, and running an effective business meeting. Videotaping allows you and your instructor to review your performance.

Preparation for Graduate School in the US (ESL 97A)

Worried about the application process for grad school in the U.S.? This course will give you the skills necessary to apply to grad school and to be successful in the classroom. You will learn how to research programs in your field, fill out an application, and write a personal statement.

English and Film (ESL 97A) session A

Watch several English-language films to improve your listening comprehension, your idiomatic use of spoken English and your understanding of American culture.

If you're not sure which class to take, don't worry. Our counselors will guide you to the course best suited to your skills and needs.