

English Language Program (ELP)

ELP 011. Beginner Reading and Vocabulary for English Language Learners. (0)

For students with basic English skills. Intensive reading and vocabulary course focusing on developing reading comprehension strategies and expanding vocabulary through everyday and practical contexts, including simple texts like short articles, emails, and instructions, while practicing key vocabulary related to daily life situations, allowing students to confidently access and understand basic written English.

Prerequisite: Based on level placement in English Language Program.

ELP 012. Beginner Speaking and Listening for English Language Learners. (0)

Intensive listening and speaking course focusing on developing the ability to understand basic everyday conversations and express themselves clearly in simple, familiar situations, covering topics like personal introductions, basic shopping, local directions, and simple social interactions. Practice in pronunciation to participate in basic dialogues and short exchanges.

Prerequisite: Program Placement Test.

ELP 013. Beginner Writing and Grammar for English Language Learners. (0)

Intensive writing and grammar course focusing on developing an understanding of grammar as it is used to write simple texts, such as sentences and short paragraphs that convey description and instruction in practical, real life writing tasks.

Prerequisite: Based on English Language Program placement test.

ELP 014. Special Topics in US Culture for Beginner English Language Learners. (0)

Experiential-based course focusing on orientation to American culture for international students. Cultural excursions, campus engagement, and examination and discussion of American and campus culture will frame the student experience in this course.

Prerequisite: Based on level placement in program according to ELP placement test.

ELP 111. Advanced English Language Learner Reading and Vocabulary. (4)

For students whose first language is not English. Intensive reading and vocabulary course focusing on developing advanced reading comprehension skills by engaging with complex texts across various genres, building academic vocabulary, and mastering strategies to identify implicit meaning, nuanced language, and critical analysis.

Prerequisite: Placement test or completion of ELP Level 3; this course is only available to students enrolled in the English Language Program.

ELP 112. Advanced English Language Learner Speaking and Listening. (4)

For students whose first language is not English. Intensive practice in spoken English in an academic context; includes discussion, formal presentations, understanding lectures and note-taking; to promote advancement of oral language fluency as well as acculturation to the American classroom experience; also includes casual spoken English.

Prerequisite: Placement test or completion of ELP Level 3; This course is only available to students enrolled in the English Language Program.

ELP 113. Advanced English Language Learner Writing and Grammar. (4)

For students whose first language is not English. Intensive writing and grammar course focusing on grammar usage in the composing of diverse types of academic writing and rhetoric. Students learn critical skills needed for success in academic writing.

Prerequisite: Placement test or completion of ELP Level 3; This course is only available to students enrolled in the English Language Program.

ELP 116. American Academic Culture and Communication for English Language Learners. (3)

This course is specifically designed for directly-admitted, international students in their first semester at Miami. Students enrolling in this course will do so based upon the outcome of a speaking assessment taken prior to registration. The course will focus both on supporting the students' communicative competencies as well as introducing students to academic culture and resources at Miami University.

Students who are enrolled in this course will not take UNV 101.

Prerequisite: Placement test delivered upon admission to Miami University for students whose proficiency scores fall below the threshold of full fluency in English.

ELP 231. Practical English Grammar for English Language Learners. (3)

Designed to help students develop competence in using the English grammatical structures necessary to succeed in oral and written communication in both the university setting and everyday life. It will approach grammar as a system for "meaning-making," rather than as an abstract set of rules. As much as possible, assignments and activities will be anchored to functions and communicative situations based on authentic academic interactions. Course enrollment is restricted to students whose first language is not English.

ELP 233. Advanced Speaking and Listening Strategies in Academic Contexts for English Language Learners. (3)

For students for whom English is not their first language. Intensive practice in English speaking and listening skills for academic contexts including understanding lectures, note-taking, class discussion, formal and informal presentation, and pronunciation. Course enrollment is restricted to students whose first language is not English.