# **UNA ESL Program**

The English as a Second Language (ESL) program at the University of North Alabama (UNA) provides high quality and comprehensive instruction in English for non-English speakers to pursue academic and professional studies in a challenging, caring, and supportive environment. We are committed to making your English language learning experience the most effective, efficient, and enjoyable.



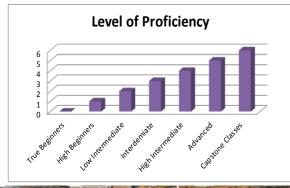
### **Program Objectives:**

The primary goal of the ESL program is to prepare international students for academic success at the undergraduate and graduate levels as well as to improve their English language skills for daily life. The primary instructional approach is skill-based with each content area utilizing various approaches to meet different curricular objectives.

### **ESL Curriculum:**

The curriculum consists of intensive English classes, Capstone courses, the academic bridge class, and TOEFL/GRE/GMAT preparation classes. The curriculum consists of five skill areas, i.e. Speaking, Reading/Vocabulary, Listening, Grammar, and Writing. Students will also have the opportunity to learn American Culture through Cinema, Literature, Debate, and Writing in additional classes as well as engage in service learning projects.

# Level of Proficiency:





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### Class Schedule:

The program schedule of the UNA intensive English operates in an 8-week sessions and there are 6 sessions during the spring and fall semesters and 4-week sessions in the summer...

### Class Schedule: Monday-Friday

9:00-9:50 Speaking

10:00-10:50 Grammar

11:00-11:50 Reading

1:00-1:50 Listening

2:00-2:50 Writing

3:00-5:00 Self Study Computer Lab

## **Program Admission Cycle:**

- Spring: beginning of January
- Mid-Spring: beginning of March
- Summer: beginning of June

Beginning of July

- Fall: beginning of August
- Mid Fall: beginning of October

- Help ESL students improve their English conversational skills by practicing with native speakers;
- from each other:
- Better engage international students in campus life

## Co-Enrollment in ESL and Academic Classes

ESL program level 4/level 5 students have the opportunity to co-enroll in ESL and academic courses before they complete the ESL Program.

### Policy:

Students who are at ESL level 4/5 and have passed one or more of their ESL classes will be given permission to take one or more academic classes while completing the remaining ESL classes.

The 3 credit hour Bridge Class is the required academic preparatory class for all international students whose native language is not English.

### **Unique Cultural Programing and Services:**

Cultural Fieldtrips

American Holiday Home Visit Program

Weekend Homestay Program

First Friday Cultural Night

Institutional TOEFL

Conditional Academic Admission

Capstone Curriculum (offered in mid fall/mid spring)



The after-class program is designed to:

Give each participant an opportunity to share their culture and learn









# **Admission Requirements**

- Official Application ( signed and dated)
- ♦ \$100 application fee
- Official high school document and notarized English translation:
  - Diploma
  - Transcript
- Official Affidavit of Support stating student has at least \$18,000 US dollars
- ◆ Copy of valid passport information page

# **Friends of International Students Program**

The Friends of International Students (FIS) program matches international students, scholars and their accompanying family members with people in the community who are interested in meeting and helping them during their studies. FIS promotes global awareness, understanding, friendship and intercultural learning between the students and members of the community through people to people interactions, exchanging ideas, and expressing mutual admiration and appreciation.









## **Tuition and Fees**

| Tuition Fees ( Fall/Spring—16weeks)  | \$6,200   |
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| Fees (Health Services, Student Activity, Athletic, Int'l Student Fee, Insurance, | \$1,359   |
| Semester Total   | \$7,559   |
| Academic Year Total  | \$ 15,118 |



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