

**Virginia Commonwealth University /Office of International Education
English Language Program (ELP) Certificate Tracks**

The ELP offers five entry-points with Placement Testing and a minimum of five sessions per year. Each session includes: one week of testing, advising and orientation, followed by language instruction during short sessions of varying length. Regardless of session length, total in-class hours remain the same. In addition, both the Undergraduate and Graduate Certificate Tracks include semester-length (14 week) ELP courses.

Sessions	2008 Class Start-End Dates	Placement Test Dates
Winter I 2008	January 14-February 29, 2008	January 7, 2008
Spring II 2008	March 17- April 29, 2008	March 10, 2008
Summer 2008	June 23-August 1, 2008	June 16, 2008
Fall I 2008	August 25-October 9, 2008	August 19, 2008*
Fall II 2008	October 20-December 5, 2008	October 14, 2008

*Eligible students who wish to take academic classes will be tested August 11, 2008

Semester Courses	2008 Class Start-End Dates	Required Placement Test
Spring 2008	January 14-April 29, 2008	Winter I 2008
Fall 2008	August 25-December 5, 2008	Fall I 2008

Sessions	2009 Class Start-End Dates	Placement Test Dates
Winter I 2009	January 12-February 27, 2009	January 5, 2009
Spring II 2009	March 16- April 28, 2009	March 9, 2009
Summer 2009	June 22-July 31, 2009	June 15, 2009
Fall I 2009	August 24-October 8, 2009	August 18, 2009**
Fall II 2009	October 19-December 4, 2009	October 13, 2009

**Eligible students who wish to take academic classes will be tested August 10, 2009

Semester Courses	2009 Class Start-End Dates	Required Placement Test
Spring 2009	January 12-April 28, 2009	Winter I 2009
Fall 2009	August 24-December 4, 2009	Fall I 2009

ELP Undergraduate Certificate Track

Writing & Grammar	Foundations Program (See expanded chart for details)	Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	*Academic Writing 1 Semester Length Course		*Academic Writing 2 Semester Length Course		*Academic Writing 3 Semester Length Course		ELP Certificate
						Grammar Link Semester-Length Course		Grammar Workshop Semester-Length Course		
Reading		Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	High-Intermediate 1	High-Intermediate 2	Advanced 1	Advanced 2	ELP Certificate
Listening		Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	High-Intermediate 1	High-Intermediate 2	Advanced 1	Advanced 2	
Speaking		Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	High-Intermediate 1	High-Intermediate 2	Advanced 1	Advanced 2	
Pronunciation	X	X	Pre-Intermediate	X	Intermediate	X		Advanced	x	

*Students may take semester-length courses starting Fall I (August) for the fall semester and Winter I (January) for the spring semester. Students entering the Academic Writing Component in Fall II, Spring II or Summer will take Academic Writing Prep prior to enrollment in Academic Writing (and designated co-requisite when applicable) at the beginning of the next academic semester.

ELP Graduate Certificate Track

Writing & Grammar	Foundations Program (See expanded chart for details)	Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	*Academic Writing 1 Semester Length Course		*Academic Writing 2 Semester Length Course		*Graduate Writing Skills Semester Length Course		ELP Certificate
						Grammar Link Semester-Length Course		*Graduate Oral Skills Semester Length Course		
Reading		Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	High-Intermediate 1	High-Intermediate 2	Advanced 1	Advanced 2	ELP Certificate
Listening		Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	High-Intermediate 1	High-Intermediate 2	Advanced 1	Advanced 2	
Speaking		Pre-Intermediate 1	Pre-Intermediate 2	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	High-Intermediate 1	High-Intermediate 2	*Graduate Oral Skills Semester Length Course		
Pronunciation	X	X	Pre-Intermediate	X	Intermediate	X		Advanced	x	

*Students may take semester-length courses starting Fall I (August) for the fall semester and Winter I (January) for the spring semester. Students entering the Academic Writing Component in Fall II, Spring II or Summer will take Academic Writing Prep prior to enrollment in Academic Writing (and designated co-requisite when applicable) at the beginning of the next academic semester.

	Short-Session Courses meeting 4-5hours/week (totaling 28-35 contact hours); \$375 per course
	Short-Session Courses meeting 2-3 hours/week (totaling 14-21 contact hours); \$275 per course
	Semester-Length Courses (14 weeks) meeting 4-5 hours/week (totaling 56-70 contact hours); \$750 per course

ELP-Only Certificate Tracks

Writing & Grammar	<i>Foundations Program</i> <i>(See expanded chart for details)</i>	<i>Pre-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Pre-Intermediate 2</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be enrolled in the appropriate level of undergraduate or graduate writing component courses leading to a *Certificate of Completion. (See expanded tracks on reverse for details) ELP-Only students who have not completed the UG or G writing component may request a **Certificate of Attendance. 						ELP Certificate
Reading		<i>Pre-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Pre-Intermediate 2</i>	<i>Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Intermediate 2</i>	<i>High-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>High-Intermediate 2</i>	<i>Advanced 1</i>	<i>Advanced 2</i>	
Listening		<i>Pre-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Pre-Intermediate 2</i>	<i>Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Intermediate 2</i>	<i>High-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>High-Intermediate 2</i>	<i>Advanced 1</i>	<i>Advanced 2</i>	
Speaking		<i>Pre-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Pre-Intermediate 2</i>	<i>Intermediate 1</i>	<i>Intermediate 2</i>	<i>High-Intermediate 1</i>	<i>High-Intermediate 2</i>	<i>Advanced 1</i>	<i>Advanced 2</i>	
Pronunciation		X	<i>Pre-Intermediate</i>	X	<i>Intermediate</i>	X		<i>Advanced</i>	x	

***To earn a Certificate of Completion students must complete either the UG or G writing component AND take and pass all required courses in each skill area per their level placement.**

****Earning a Certificate of Attendance does NOT fulfill the VCU English Language Proficiency Requirement prerequisite for full admission to an academic program.**

ELP Foundations Program

Writing & Grammar	Foundations A	Foundations B	Enter Certificate Track
Reading & Vocabulary	Foundations A	Foundations B	
Phonics	Foundations A	Foundations B	
Listening	Foundations A	Foundations B	
Speaking	Foundations A	Foundations B	

<p>Required Semester-Length Writing Courses for Undergraduate Certificate Track Requiring Concurrent Enrollment in Specified Grammar Courses (once eligible and per level placement):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Writing 1 Academic Writing 2 & Grammar Link Academic Writing 3 & Grammar Workshop 	<p>Required Semester-Length Courses for Graduate Certificate Track (once eligible and per level placement):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Writing 1 Academic Writing 2 & Grammar Link Graduate Writing Skills Graduate Oral Skills 	<p>Students entering or leaving the program in Fall II, Spring II or Summer Sessions will be enrolled in level appropriate short-session writing courses during that term:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"> <p>Offered Fall I, Winter I and Intercession:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring Writing 1 Exploring Writing 2 Exploring Writing 3 </td> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"> <p>Offered Fall II, Spring II and Summer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Writing Prep 1 Academic Writing Prep 2 Academic Writing Prep 3 </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Offered Fall I, Winter I and Intercession:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring Writing 1 Exploring Writing 2 Exploring Writing 3 	<p>Offered Fall II, Spring II and Summer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Writing Prep 1 Academic Writing Prep 2 Academic Writing Prep 3
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<p>Required Short-Session Courses for Undergraduate Certificate Track (once eligible and per level placement):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Academic Texts Academic Writing Prep (when entering Academic Writing Component in Summer, Fall II or Spring II Sessions) 	<p>Required Short-Session Course for Graduate Certificate Track (once eligible and per level placement):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Writing Prep (when entering Academic Writing Component in Summer, Fall II or Spring II Sessions) 	<p>*Additional Short-Session Courses (once eligible and per level placement) :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversation & Current Events Exploring U.S. Culture Communication & American Film Reader's Theatre 1: Developing Conversational Skills Reader's Theatre 2: Expanding Interactive Skills Reading & Conversation: U.S. Topics <p>*Course offerings vary per session</p>		
Language in Practice (F-1 Students)	Language in Practice (F-1 Students)	Language in Practice (F-1 Students)		

Full-time enrollment in the English Language Program is 20 - 28 hours per week. Students in F1 visa status must be enrolled in a full-time study-load based on level placement.

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