

English as a Second Language (ESL) Placement Testing

International students take the ESL placement test, called the SLEP test, during Orientation:

Grammar – 45 minutes

Reading – 45 minutes

Writing – 45 minutes

Listening – 45 minutes

Scores on the placement test determine where students start in the ESL program.



[Try a sample SLEP test from Educational Testing Services](#)

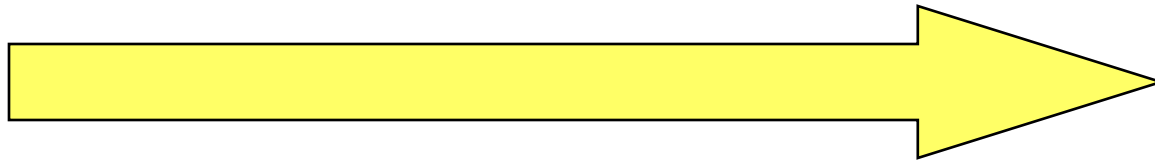
The ESL Program

The ESL program has four subjects of three levels each, for a total of 12 courses.

In addition, students are required to take developmental, or bridge, English (ENG 050) and Reading (REA 050) courses prior to English Composition I (ENG 100).

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	Elementary	Intermediate I	Intermediate II	Developmental English	
Grammar	023	033	043		
English/Writing	024	034	044	050	Regular Academic Courses
Reading/Vocabulary	025	035	045	050	
Listening/Speaking	026	036	046		

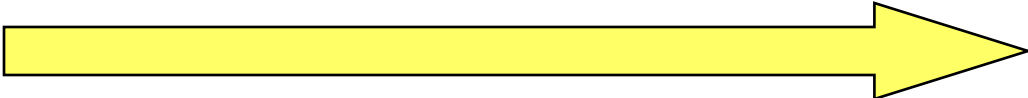



Mandatory tutoring, in addition to time spent in class, is required for all ESL subjects except Grammar. Meeting times for tutoring will be scheduled during Orientation.


Generally, students must reach the advanced levels of ESL before taking regular academic classes.

Example of a student's progress through the ESL Program

Subject	Level				Developmental English	Regular Academic Courses
	Elementary	Intermediate I	Intermediate II			
Grammar	023	033	043			
English/Writing	024	034	044		050	
Reading/Vocabulary	025	035	045		050	
Listening/Speaking	026	036	046			



 = The student took the placement test. She tested into these courses. Therefore, she will take all of these ESL courses in her first semester.

 = The student passed all of her first semester courses. In the next semester, she will move on to the next levels. She will take ESL 033, ESL 044, ESL 035, and one or two regular academic courses.