**ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE**

The ability to read, write, and comprehend spoken English is fundamental to succeeding in Vincennes University courses. The VU EAL department provides ESL/EAL students the opportunity to achieve English proficiency as quickly and as efficiently as possible.

**A FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS**

We use multiple tests to determine English Language Proficiency. The tests include the TOEFL, Focal Skills, TABE Clas E, and the Cambridge English placement test to establish language proficiency, and the ACT, SAT and CPTS to determine academic placement. The Vincennes University ESL/EAL program offers intensive, focused instruction for 18 to 20 hours every week in Listening, Reading, Pronunciation, and Writing. All classes in the Intensive English Program track are non-credit. EALG 100 Bridge is a class designed for students that have completed the IEP track or have tested into college classes, but feel they still need support from the EALG department. EALG100 is six credit hours and allows students to earn college credit while refining their English language skills and receiving help with their college classes.

The IEP track consists of seven classes, each focusing on integrated language skills. Students are placed in groups of similar English ability. Each student takes four hours of instruction daily, Monday through Thursday and two hours on Friday. The focus of these hours will vary according to the skill area in which the student is placed. Students are tested every eight weeks and assigned to the appropriate class as indicated by their test scores or the same class if more practice is needed. There are two 8-week sessions per semester for full-time students and a one 16-week session for part-time students.

**Students are placed into classes based on their proficiency. Students are tested every eight weeks to ensure proper placement at all times.**

**WHY CHOOSE VU?**

* Small class size for letter learning
* Contemporary yet proven teaching methods for efficient language acquisition
* Individualized curriculum to meet your language needs
* Use of authentic materials for real-life language use and understanding
* Frequent testing for accurate placement
* Faculty with international teaching experience
* Free tutoring in ESL and other academic subjects available
* Safe, secure, beautifully landscaped campus
* Small, friendly town in the heart of America’s Midwest, where standard English is spoken
* Low program tuition cost compared to other Indiana universities

**Courses offered for ESL students by the English as an Additional Language Department.**

**Intensive English Program Track**

* EALG 090 Pre-EAL
* EALG 091 Beginning EAL
* EALG 092 Low Beginning EAL 2
* EALG 093 High Beginning EAL 3
* EALG 094 Low Intermediate EAL 4
* EALG 095 High Intermediate EAL 5
* EALG 096 Advanced EAL

**College Credit Class to support our students during first year at Vincennes University**

* EALG 100 Bridge Class

**Summer Intensive Language Institute for students who desire to learn English as quickly as possible**

* EALG 097 Intensive Institute

**Special Course Offering designed for students with specific educational goals**

* EALG 098 Special Language Purpose