



**Why would you study English?**

- To earn a degree from a US university and/or return home to a university that requires English
- To get a better job with a higher salary because of English skills
- To participate in international business efforts by starting to establish an international network of contacts
- To prepare for future scholarly activities at a US university, including lab research and/or writing
- To be able to communicate with people from all over the world

**Why is the ELCI IEP at UAB a great choice for you?**

- Learning English is faster and more efficient if you study in an all-English environment.
- The IEP at UAB provides at least 18 hours per week of intensive English study in the classroom.
- All of the faculty at the IEP have graduate degrees in teaching English. They are well-versed in the most effective methodology and use up-to-date materials, and they participate in continuing professional development to hone their technique.
- The IEP curriculum helps students prepare aggressively for the English needed to perform as an undergraduate or graduate student in an American university environment.
- Students have the option of specializing their study with a variety of part-time courses available for extracurricular work, including TOEFL Preparation, Business English, Pronunciation and Accent Training, Scientific Research Writing, Academic Study Skills, and more.
- IEP students participate in Language Enrichment Activities to further their classroom training. These include a Common Hour which will constantly stretch their speaking and listening skills and add to their cultural knowledge of the USA.
- IEP class sizes are small, with a typical 12:1 student-to-teacher ratio.
- Students have access to computer labs with English language-learning software.
- IEP students get to know native English-speaking students through campus activities, Discussion Groups, and Language Conversation Partners. This will improve their spoken English and help them learn about real university life.
- Students have access to university libraries, sports activities, health services, student life activities, and the modern recreational center.
- IEP students participate in cultural activities and community volunteer activities, expanding their opportunities to practice English and understand the culture of the USA.
- The IEP is located at the center of UAB: a major biomedical research center with nationally-acclaimed schools, research efforts, and medical resources.
- UAB's student body is diverse in race and in place of origin: 45 US states and over 70 nationalities are represented on campus, so that the UAB IEP experience brings you both the US and the world.

**Why would you want to study in Birmingham, Alabama?**

- Birmingham is a vibrant mid-sized city, and UAB takes up over 82 city blocks in its trendy Southside area.
- Birmingham's climate is mild, with hot summers and cool (but not cold) winters.
- Birmingham is a great mid-point for exploring many beautiful natural wonders in the US (such as the Great Smoky Mountains and the beaches of the Gulf Coast) and interesting cities (such as New Orleans, Louisiana, and Memphis, Tennessee).
- The Birmingham area has an important history of its own, as the birthplace of the US Civil Rights Movement. Birmingham has major music festivals, impressive performing arts venues, an acclaimed art museum, fine restaurants, and lots of lively local culture.
- Birmingham is in the heart of the Southeast region of the US, an area known for its friendliness and hospitality.

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# English Language and Culture Institute Intensive English Program



## Full-time Schedule

(This schedule is offered as an example for potential students.  
Actual times may alter slightly from semester to semester.)

### **Orientation and Placement Testing (required attendance)**

Location: English Language and Culture Institute office, EB 126

Time: 8:45-4:00 on 2 days

### **Core Courses: 15 weeks in fall and spring; 12 weeks in summer**

Each class meets Monday-Thursday in the fall and spring.

Each class meets Monday-Friday in the summer.

Students have 3 core courses.

#### Level 1:

Vocabulary Building, 8:30-9:30

Integrated Skills: Oral Communication, 9:45-11:45

Integrated Skills: Reading and Writing, 12:45-2:15

#### Levels 2, 3, 4 (5):

Reading and Writing, 8:30-10 AM

Oral Communication, 10:15-11:45 AM

Structure, 12:45-2:15 PM

### **Language Enrichment activities**

Time: 2:30-4 PM

1. Mondays: "Common Hour" for extended listening/speaking practice  
(This is a required activity with pass/fail credit: ELC 091)
2. Tuesdays: Computer Lab with language-study software (optional)
3. Wednesdays: Language Conversation Partners
4. Thursdays: Computer Lab with language-study software (optional)

### **Student Activities**

The ELCI IEP will also organize at least 2 outings to area attractions for IEP students during the semester. There will also be an end-of-session party. Students are also encouraged to get involved in UAB Student Life by participating in some of the many options for student activities available on campus.



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## IEP Application Instructions

***Complete the requirements below to apply for admission to the Intensive English Program:***

- ONE: Complete the IEP Application.  
TWO: If you will apply for a visa, complete the Statement of Financial Responsibility Form.  
THREE: Send the documents to us.  
FOUR: Pay your Application Fee.  
FIVE: Wait to receive an acceptance letter from us with further instructions.

***You can accomplish these requirements either online, by mail, or by fax.***

### **Method #1: Online**

Requirement ONE, THREE, AND FOUR:

At the ELCI website (<http://www.ed.uab.edu/elci/iepApply.asp>), you can fill out your application. If our online payment system is available at the time, you can also pay your Application fee online via the UAB ePayment System. We accept Visa, Master Card, American Express, and Discover. However, if it is not available, you can proceed under Method #2 below.

Requirement TWO AND THREE:

Print out the Statement of Financial Responsibility Form from the same webpage above, fill it out and sign it, scan it, and email it (together with bank documents and a clear copy of your passport) to the IEP Manager, Melissa Hawkins, at [iep@uab.edu](mailto:iep@uab.edu).

### **Method #2: By mail or fax**

Requirement ONE: Complete the IEP Application. You can fill it out and print it from our website (<http://www.ed.uab.edu/elci/iepApply.asp>) if you do not yet have a copy.

Requirement TWO: If you will apply for a visa, complete the Statement of Financial Responsibility Form (also available at website above). Gather your bank documents and a clear copy of your passport.

Requirement THREE: Send these documents to us, by mail or fax.

By mail – to the address at the top of this page

By fax – 205.996.9660

Requirement FOUR: Pay the application fee.

*To pay your application fee from the United States:*

We accept cash, checks, or money orders. Please make checks or money orders payable to "UAB." You may mail them to the address at the top of this page or you may bring them to the office. If paying by cash, please bring exact change as our office cannot make change. DO NOT send cash in the mail.

*To pay your application fee from another country, by a wire transfer or by online payment.*

Wire Transfer: Please contact the IEP Manager at [iep@uab.edu](mailto:iep@uab.edu) for more information.

Online payment: Pay with a credit card via the UAB ePayment System. We accept Visa, Master Card, American Express, and Discover. Put your name and email address into the application, click "submit," and then continue to the ePayment system.



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## IEP Calendar and Costs

### 2010 Calendar

Fall Semester: August 12-December 6, 2010  
 Fall 8-week Session: August 12-October 13, 2010  
 Spring Semester: January 3-April 26, 2011

### Costs

- Application Fee: \$75.00, non-refundable, valid for 1 year
- Deposit: \$200, refundable only with proof of visa denial, applied toward IEP Tuition and Fees
- Costs per ½ semester or semester: listed below. All sessions include a minimum of 18 hours of classroom instruction per week plus weekly Language Enrichment Activities. (Note that the 1/2 semester option cannot be extended through the remainder of the semester; it is for 8 weeks of study *only*.)

	Each Fall or Spring 8-week session	Each Fall or Spring semester	Each Summer semester
IEP Tuition and Fees	\$2561	\$5122	\$5122
IEP Record Set-Up Fee (first session only)	\$25	\$25	\$25
Additional Classes (optional – above 18 hours per week)	\$100	\$100	\$100
Medical Insurance (Not required with proof of acceptable USA insurance submitted to Student Health office at enrollment)	\$284	\$709 (Fall-5 months) \$567 (Spring-4 months)	\$426 (Summer-3 months)
On-Campus Accommodation (Charges vary according to assignment. These are estimated costs. Housing assignments are subject to availability.)	\$800 - \$1100	\$1900-\$2400	\$1900-\$2400
Campus Meal Plan (required if you live on-campus)	\$350-1825	\$350-1825	\$350-1825
Books & Materials	\$200 (estimate)	\$200 (estimate)	\$200 (estimate)
Personal expenses	Students should bring money for personal items, assorted groceries, and entertainment.	Students should bring money for personal items, assorted groceries, and entertainment.	Students should bring money for personal items, assorted groceries, and entertainment.
<b>TOTAL (estimated)</b>	<b>\$ 4550.00</b>	<b>8820.00</b>	<b>8680.00</b>

*Application to the ELCI does not guarantee admission to a University of Alabama at Birmingham degree program.*