Advanced English Proficiency

The Advanced English Proficiency (AEP) certificate consists of 15 credits in English language studies, with 12 credits in required courses and 3 credits in elective courses. This program may be completed in one semester. Completion of AEP with a grade point average of 3.0, along with instructor recommendations, may result in a waiver of the TOEFL or MTELP for most undergraduate majors.

Required Courses (12 credits)

ESL 161 Advanced Grammar ESL

ESL 164 Advanced Reading & Vocabulary

ESL 167 Advanced Composition

ESL 169 Advanced Speaking & Listening

Required Electives (3 credits)

ESL 160 Vocabulary & Idioms of American English

ESL 174 American Culture: Reading & Speaking

ESL 176 Academic Study Skills for ESL

ESL 180 Editing Skills for ESL

Academic English Certification

The Academic English Certification (AEC) consists of 15 credits in high-advanced English language studies, with 12 credits in required courses and 2-3 credits in elective courses. This program may be completed in one semester. Completion of AEC with a grade point average of 3.0 results in a waiver of the TOEFL or the MTELP for undergraduate majors.

Required Courses (12 credits)

ESL 162	Advanced Applied Grammar
ESL 165	Advanced Reading & Writing
ESL 168	Advanced Academic Writing
ESL 185	Advanced English Competency

Required Electives (2-3 credits)

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ESL 160	Vocabulary & Idioms of American English
ESL 174	American Culture: Reading & Speaking
ESL 176	Academic Study Skills for ESL
ESL 180	Editing Skills for ESL
ESL 380	Advanced Oral Presentation Skills



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Certificates in English Language

The English Language Center offers year-round certificate programs designed for advanced English language learners. Certificate programs can lead to university admission or can be used for business and professional purposes. Three main benefits make the ELC the right choice for you:

- UNLV credit awarded for English language courses
- English and American culture taught in small, active, student-centered classes
- Transition to academic majors made easy through certificate programs. Option to waive the TOEFL or MTELP for admission.



Admission Requirements

Students who want to earn certificates in English language must first take the Michigan Test of English Language Proficiency (MTELP) or another recognized language proficiency exam. A score of 60 on the MTELP is required for the Advanced English Proficiency Program. Possible transfer credit and course substitutions will be determined by the Director in accordance with University policies.



Academic Writing Program

ENG 113E/F Composition I for International Students (6 credits)

ENG 113E/F is a two-part, modular freshman writing course. Designed for non-native speakers, it replaces ENG 101 or ENG 113. The focus is on developing clear writing skills in expository writing. These two modular courses are completed in one academic semester.

ENG 113 Composition I for International Students (3 credits)

ENG 113 is a freshman writing course for non-native speakers who have satisfied the English language proficiency requirement. Students develop skill and confidence in expository writing and critical thinking. This course satisfies the ENG 101 requirement for general education.

ENG 114 Composition II for International Students (3 credits)

ENG 114 is a continuation of ENG 113 with an emphasis on critical thinking and practice in persuasive/argumentative discourse. Students learn the processes necessary for collecting and incorporating research material in support of evidence based writing. This course satisfies the ENG 102 requirement for general education