

A MESSAGE FROM THE COORDINATOR

The Center for English Proficiency believes in providing the best instruction and care for students who want to enter AUD's undergraduate studies or the workforce. Our Intensive English Language Courses provide high quality instruction and a friendly educational environment in which students can develop their English language skills and personal interests.

The Center for English Proficiency offers a diverse cultural learning environment that enables students to understand and integrate into Dubai's multicultural setting. English Bridge and Intensive English Language students experience an American education in Dubai and enjoy sharing their own cultures in a friendly, safe, and comfortable atmosphere. The American University in Dubai offers state-of-the-art technology, an up-to-date library, and fully modernized and equipped computer laboratories that assure students have the opportunity to perform academically at the highest standards.

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MISSION OF THE CENTER FOR ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

The Mission of the Center for English Proficiency is to provide nonnative English-speaking students with the English language education that they need to succeed academically, professionally, and socially. The Center for English Proficiency promotes cultural awareness, citizenship, critical thinking, and ethical behavior, in addition to effective communication.

PROGRAM GOALS

- To provide students the opportunity to develop into responsible learners by enhancing their critical and intellectual activity through academic and social experiences
- To improve each student's ability to read, write and recognize organizational patterns within the English language
- To improve each student's ability to use English effectively in its cultural context by developing the appropriate communication approach and increasing cultural awareness
- To foster critical thinking and ethical behavior
- To encourage students to become active participants in the learning process
- To prepare students for TOEFL®, ACCUPLACER™ and IELTS™ exams in English proficiency

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the completion of the English Bridge Program, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate orally and in writing the ability to think critically by bringing together evidence in support of an argument
- Exemplify efficient writing and reading abilities by producing and understanding multiple diverse perspectives in a set framework
- Demonstrate ideas by speaking extemporaneously in a social or academic environment
- Demonstrate the ability to learn new words and recognize parts of speech in various word forms
- Respond to questions that call for reasoned analysis of given information

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The English Bridge Program prepares students for entry into an academic degree program by developing the English-language skills of reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

There are two levels of instruction in the English Bridge: ENGB 098 (high intermediate) and ENGB 099 (advanced). English Bridge students study in instructor-guided classes for four hours daily, Sunday through Thursday. Each course is approximately fifteen weeks in Fall and Spring, and approximately seven weeks in Summer I.

Initial placement in the English Bridge is determined by International TOEFL® + TWE, Internet-based TOEFL®, International IELTS™, EmsAT, or ACCUPLACER™, an online test administered at AUD.

- Entrance requirements for ENGB 098: Complete Admissions Checklist + International TOEFL® score of 400 with a TWE score of 2.0, Internet-based TOEFL® score of 32 with a writing section score of 10-13, International IELTS™ score of 4.5 with a writing section score of 4.5, EMSAT score of 950 with a writing score of A2+, or placement through ACCUPLACER™.
- Entrance requirements for ENGB 099: Prerequisite of ENGB 098 with a grade of P+/P or a complete Admissions Checklist + International TOEFL® score of 460 with a TWE score of 2.5, Internet-based TOEFL® score of 48 with a writing section score of 14-16, International IELTS™ score of 5.0 with a writing section score of 5.0, EMSAT score of 1100 with a writing score of B1, or placement through ACCUPLACER™.

Students who successfully complete the English Bridge Program will be admitted to AUD as undergraduate degree candidates with International TOEFL® score of 500, Internet-based TOEFL® score of 61, International IELTS™ score of 5.5, or EMSAT score of 1250. Separate writing sections scores will not be required.

Students who do not meet the requirements for enrollment in the English Bridge may enroll in IELP 097: Low Intermediate Intensive English. Intensive English Language students who wish to continue more advanced study beyond IELP 097 but do not intend to pursue an undergraduate degree program may enroll in ENGB 098 and ENGB 099 after submitting the required English-language exam scores noted above.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ENGB 098 Intermediate English Bridge

Prerequisite: Placement by International TOEFL® + TWE, Internet-based TOEFL®, International IELTS™, EMSAT, or ACCUPLACER™

ENGB 098 introduces students to the English-language skills of reading, writing, listening, and speaking at an intermediate level. This course helps students acquire the vocabulary, grammar skills, and critical reading strategies needed for academic success. Students will develop reliable study and note-taking habits, the confidence to deliver oral presentations, and the writing skills needed to compose thoughtful, well-developed, and unified multi-paragraph texts.

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

- Recognize the main ideas in simple narrative, discursive, and academic texts, distinguishing between main ideas and supporting details
- Write simple, structured multi-paragraph texts on a range of familiar topics and for a variety of purposes
- Identify a speaker's main idea and supporting examples in a presentation intended for a general audience
- Deliver an oral presentation that summarizes and responds to the views of others, developing a simple argument that is supported by reasons and examples
- Demonstrate basic competence in understanding and using level-appropriate vocabulary and grammar in a range of routine and academic contexts

ENGB 099 Advanced English Bridge

Prerequisite: ENGB 098 with a grade of P+/P or placement by International TOEFL® + TWE, Internet-based TOEFL®, International IELTS™, EMSAT, or ACCUPLACER™

ENGB 099 introduces students to the English-language skills of reading, writing, listening, and speaking at an advanced level. This course helps students develop the listening and speaking skills needed for university success, such as note-taking from lectures, writing reports, and making formal presentations; assists students in developing their university level academic English vocabulary and reading strategies; and teaches students to write university-level essays that use grammatically correct sentence structures in coherent, well-developed paragraphs.

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

- Analyze the purpose and meaning of simple narrative, discursive, and academic texts, identifying the main line of argument and/or development of a central theme
- Write simple, structured academic essays in a variety of rhetorical modes that adhere to the conventions of Standard Written English
- Recognize lines of argument, organizational structure, inferred meaning, and emphasis through intonation and stress in a presentation intended for an academic audience
- Deliver an effective oral presentation that summarizes information from multiple sources, develops a focused argument, and demonstrates a clear sense of organization
- Demonstrate basic competence in understanding and using level-appropriate grammar for academic reading and writing purposes

IELP 097 Low Intermediate Intensive English

Prerequisite: Placement by International TOEFL® + TWE, Internet-based TOEFL®, International IELTS™, EMSAT, ACCUPLACER™, or with permission of Program Coordinator. Limited English is assumed.

IELP 097 introduce students to the English-language skills of reading, writing, listening, and speaking at a low intermediate level. This course helps students begin to develop practical and academic vocabulary and reading skills, learn to write grammatically correct sentences and paragraphs, and build confidence in understanding and speaking English.

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

- Understand and identify the main ideas in simple narrative, discursive, and academic texts
- Write simple paragraphs that clearly describe past, present, and future experiences, make comparisons, and express opinions

- Identify the main points and details in a simple dialogue, explanation, or narrative when spoken slowly and clearly
- Use simple language to tell a story, describe events, and express opinions and emotions
- Interact verbally with others in routine contexts, asking and answering questions, making suggestions, and giving and understanding instructions

Below is a chart which summarizes the test scores and their equivalent language courses:

IELP097	Placement by Accuplacer and below scores not met				
ENGB098	TOEFL 400 /TWE 2.0	IELTS score of 4.5/writing 4.5	Internet-based TOEFL 32/ w10-13	EMSAT score 950/writing A2	ACCUPLACER
ENGB099	TOEFL 460/ TWE 2.5	IELTS score 5.0/writing 5.0	Internet-based TOEFL 48/w 14-16	EMSAT score 1100/ writing B1	ACCUPLACER
ENGL100	TOEFL 500 + Pass ENGB099	Only applies to students who are enrolled in the Bridge Program TOEFL 500 + Pass ENGB099	Fulfill all other admissions requirements		

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Copies of the required documents below will be accepted for preliminary evaluation; however, originals should be submitted prior to the semester start date.

- A completed Application for Undergraduate Admission Form.
- Official school records (Grade 10, 11, 12)
- High School Diploma
- Equivalency letter from the UAE Ministry of Education
- Students are required to take the university Accuplacer™ English entrance exam or any of the accepted exams above to determine their level.
- Two recent passport-size photographs
- Passport photocopy with validity page
- Photocopy of UAE Residence Visa
- Photocopy of Emirates ID (both sides)

- Army exemption letter for all UAE nationals
- Completed Health History Form*
- Non-refundable application fee of AED 420*

A reservation deposit (non-refundable) of AED 5,000, which is fully applied toward tuition, is required upon acceptance for admission. Students who wish to pursue a degree at AUD upon completion of the IELP/English Bridge Program must fulfill all other admissions requirements and submit official documents for final review by the Admissions Committee.