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Stephen F. Austin State University’s intensive English program helps international students increase their English proficiency in order to succeed in American universities or American professional life.

The program provides non-credit intensive instruction in academic English by qualified faculty, a foundation in American social and academic culture, supportive student services, and sound program administration.

The SFA English Language Institute is accredited by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA)
Why Choose ELI?

**High-quality classes.** ELI classes are taught by experienced ESL instructors.

**Low cost of study and living.** ELI is proud to be one of the most affordable English programs in the area.

**No TOEFL scores required.** ELI does not require TOEFL scores, although basic English knowledge is required for admission.

**Small class sizes.** All ELI classes have less than 10 students, which allows students to receive more individualized attention.

**Easy transition to academic SFA programs.** Students who successfully complete the program of study at ELI may be granted admission into regular academic programs at SFA.

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Housing and Food Services

**On-campus Apartments**
Furnished units, including stove, refrigerator, and dishwasher.

**Residence Halls**
Single or double accommodations. See the SFA housing Web site for more information about all the options available (www.sfasu.edu/housing).

**Food Service**
Students living in residence halls must purchase a meal plan. Various options are available for on-campus eating, including two cafeterias and many convenient fast food places.
Admission Requirements

All students who wish to be admitted to the English Language Institute must have a high school diploma or its equivalent.

A completed application for admission to ELI must include:

○ Application for ELI. For students applying for ELI only*.
○ $50 application fee paid via check or money order made payable to "SFA".
○ A diploma or certificate from high school or highest level of education.
○ Original bank statement from you or your sponsor(s) verifying funds of at least $17,960.
○ Original Certification of Finances completed by you and your sponsor(s).
○ Proof that you have received the bacterial meningitis vaccination (under 22 years of age).

*Admission to the ELI program does not guarantee admission to SFA. Students seeking conditional admission (pending English proficiency) please apply using applytexas.org.

Program Cost

ONE TERM
(Fall or Spring - 15 weeks)

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*Housing costs vary depending on where students choose to live.

Successful applicants will be sent a letter of acceptance and a Certificate of Eligibility (I-20) by mail. The I-20 form is required in order to apply for a visa at the nearest U.S. consulate.
Curriculum and Activities

ELI provides a range of intensive English instruction. Students will be placed in appropriate levels after their language skills are assessed by ELI staff.

A full program of courses typically consists of 20 hours of instruction, including conversation hours, Friday labs, activities, and formal instruction in composition and writing, reading, oral communication, academic grammar, vocabulary, and U.S. life and culture.

ELI has three levels:

2 - Low Intermediate:
Classes focus on improving basic English skills, with emphasis on grammar and vocabulary development.
Courses: Grammar, Writing, Reading, and Listening/Speaking

3 - High Intermediate:
Classes focus on a solid review of English grammar and the techniques necessary for successful academic reading, writing, note-taking, and speaking at the university level.
Courses: Grammar, Writing, Reading, and Listening/Speaking

4 - Advanced:
Classes offer training in advanced academic skills, providing practice in critical thinking, abstraction, and oral/written expression that prepares students for American university expectations.
Courses: Research & Writing, Grammar & Rhetoric, Listening/Speaking, and Reading

In addition, the program includes two labs which focus on academic vocabulary and American life and culture.
APPLY NOW

ALL documents should be mailed to one of the following addresses:

**Regular Mail and DHL**

International Programs  
Stephen F. Austin State University  
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**Express Mail (Fed-Ex, UPS, etc.)**

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