



English Language Center

The English Language Center (ELC) at Drexel University offers programs and services to meet the academic, professional and personal needs of adult English language learners. We help our students build a foundation for academic and professional success in a diverse, welcoming and supportive environment.

The ELC is located in the vibrant, exciting city of Philadelphia, on the campus of Drexel University near many restaurants, cafes and public transportation.



ELC Programs

- Intensive English Program (IEP)
- Conditional Admissions Programs
 - International Gateway
 - Graduate Preparation
- Special Programs



Intensive English Program

The Intensive English Program prepares international students for academic study at an American university. Courses are designed to fit the the student's academic, personal and professional needs.

- Individual academic advising and tutoring sessions
- Eight levels of study, from beginner to advanced
- Year-round classes are 21 hours per week, Monday through Friday
- Personalized counseling/support for applying to US universities



Special Programs

Drexel English Language Center provides a wide range of custom-designed programs for groups including grant-funded initiatives, English for Specific Purposes (ESP), pre-academic programs and teacher training programs for groups. Past programs have included:

- Chile Leading the Way University Partnership
- Dominican Republic Teacher Capacity Building Program
- Drexel-Lanzhou Summer Program
- Fulbright Pre-Academic Training Program
- Panama Bilingue
- Brazil Scientific Mobility Program

Accreditation and Memberships



International Gateway Program

The International Gateway program provides qualified international students with a year of foundational academic courses and English language preparation before they begin full-time undergraduate study at Drexel University.

- Individualized academic advising and field-specific language instruction
- Supportive foundation year of study and full immersion into campus life
- Opportunity to take courses worth up to 25 transferable credits
- Direct transfer into your undergraduate Drexel major



Graduate Preparation

The Drexel Graduate Preparation program prepares academically qualified students for the challenges of reading, writing, speaking, and listening in the American graduate school environment.

This program consists of advanced coursework in academic reading, writing, listening and speaking, as well as graduate academic skills. Upon successful completion of the program, students may matriculate into their graduate program the next term.