



DEPAUL UNIVERSITY

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACADEMY (ELA)

The region's premiere English language program features intensive instruction and a diverse student population. Classes are small and are taught by experienced instructors who hold advanced degrees. ELA prepares students for university study and professional advancement in the global world.

Students at ELA receive lots of individual attention. Tutoring is available and students have full access to DePaul University facilities, such as student housing, the libraries and computer labs.

Our campus is in the heart of Chicago. The "Loop"—as the area is known—is home to several educational and cultural institutions. A wide variety of entertainment and recreation is available. Nearby, you will find shopping, restaurants, beautiful parks, museums and a very active student scene.

## INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM

The Intensive English Program (IEP) is a full-time, noncredit certificate program that has five levels. New students receive a thorough English proficiency evaluation to ensure proper class assignment. Students entering the IEP should have at least low-intermediate English skills. Classes for this program meet 18 hours per week and are offered for three 10-week terms in the fall, winter and spring, and an 8-week term in the summer.

Courses offered at each level:

- Writing
- Reading and Vocabulary Development
- Grammar
- Spoken English and Listening

## ELECTIVES

ELA offers a range of electives, such as Pronunciation Workshop and Intercultural Communication. Available electives vary by term.

## CONDITIONAL ADMISSION

All ELA students are eligible for conditional admission to most DePaul University undergraduate degree programs. Students must meet English proficiency standards prior to beginning their degree programs.

Conditional admission to selected DePaul University graduate programs is also available. ELA can assist students in understanding individual program requirements.

## CLASS SCHEDULE

ELA classes meet for 18 hours each week.

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
9:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m.	Writing	Reading	Writing	Reading	–
11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	–
1:15 p.m.–3:30 p.m.	Grammar	Spoken English	Grammar	Spoken English	–

## UNIVERSITY LIFE

Extracurricular activities at ELA are open to all students and provide important opportunities to practice English with native speakers.

Activities available include:

- Sports
- Student Organizations
- Volunteer Opportunities
- ELA Club (social activities)



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**How do I apply to the English Language Academy?** Apply online at [ela.depaul.edu](http://ela.depaul.edu).

**How long does it take to process my application?** It takes approximately five business days from the time ELA receives a completed application, the ELA application essay and \$80 non-refundable application fee.

**How many students are there in a classroom?** On average, there are 10–17 students per class.

**Where will I live?** There are many housing options in Chicago for international students. Most ELA students find their own apartments through apartment finders and friends (we can help you connect). To request DePaul University campus housing, contact the Housing Department at [housing.depaul.edu](http://housing.depaul.edu).

**What kind of transportation is available in Chicago?** Chicago boasts the second largest public transportation system in the U.S. Full-time students have unlimited rides on Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) buses and trains during the academic term. This is a fast and easy way to explore Chicago. Learn more at [transitchicago.com/upass](http://transitchicago.com/upass).



## 2022–2023 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### FALL TERM 2022

**July 15** application deadline for overseas applicants  
**August 22** application deadline for applicants within the U.S.  
**September 6** classes begin  
**November 17** classes end

### WINTER TERM 2023

**November 1** application deadline for overseas applicants  
**December 12** application deadline for applicants within the U.S.  
**January 3** classes begin  
**March 16** classes end

### SPRING TERM 2023

**February 1** application deadline for overseas applicants  
**March 13** application deadline for applicants within the U.S.  
**March 28** classes begin  
**June 8** classes end

### SUMMER TERM 2023

**May 1** application deadline for overseas applicants  
**June 5** application deadline for applicants within the U.S.  
**June 20** classes begin  
**August 17** classes end

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Submit ELA application online
- Pay \$80 non-refundable application fee
- Submit ELA application essay

## COSTS

	10 WEEKS			8 WEEKS
	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
TUITION	\$3,775	\$3,775	\$3,775	\$3,475
APPLICATION FEE	\$80	\$80	\$80	\$80
HEALTH INSURANCE*	\$316	\$237	\$205	\$190
BOOKS (estimate)	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
U-PASS	\$105	\$105	\$105	\$105

\*F-1 visa holders only

## 2023 Summer Language and Culture Program

- The program consists of experiential Chicago-themed language and culture classes that run for three weeks in July or August.
- Course and excursions are led by DePaul's outstanding ELA instructors.
- Classes meet Monday through Friday, 15 class hours per week, including excursions.
- This is a non-credit program.
- A tourist visa will be required.



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