



International English Center

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **BOULDER**

Academic, Professional, & Short-Term English Programs

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2019-2021
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Study English at the University of Colorado Boulder’s International English Center

At the foot of the Rocky Mountains, on the beautiful campus of the University of Colorado Boulder, the **International English Center (IEC)** offers a rich variety of academic, professional, and cultural programs for teens, university and graduate-level students, and professionals. The IEC provides a safe, nurturing, and dynamic environment where students develop their English language skills, explore U.S. culture, and connect with other students from around the world.

Just one hour away from Denver, the state capital of Colorado, and the majestic Rocky Mountains, students have access to great entertainment, museums, theaters, restaurants, skiing, and the beautiful outdoors. At the IEC, students discover a world of possibilities, achieve their educational goals, experience unforgettable adventures, and leave with a lifetime of memories.

Intensive English

The **Intensive English Program** is designed for international students who are preparing to enter a university or graduate program in the U.S. It is also appropriate for working professionals and community members who want to improve their academic English. Students take writing, reading, listening & speaking, and elective courses. Classes are interactive and allow students to develop their language skills while practicing English in real situations. Class size is 12-15 students on average. Teachers provide students extensive feedback which helps students to improve their English and build their confidence.

Program Highlights:

- Five 8-week sessions per year.
- 8 levels, introductory to advanced.
- New students take a placement test on arrival to determine their level.
- Faculty members have Master’s degrees in TESOL or related fields.
- Core courses (16 hours/week) include writing, reading, and listening & speaking. Grammar and pronunciation are integrated into each course.
- Electives (4 hours/week) provide students with the opportunity to focus on a specific skill or content area. Subjects include sports & nutrition, English for STEM, film making, and more.
- Weekly enrichment activities provide additional opportunities for students to socialize, learn new skills, and develop their English fluency and confidence.



Personal Attention through Academic Advising

Intensive English Program students are assigned an IEC primary adviser who provides guidance and support throughout their studies. In addition to checking-in with students about their attendance and academic progress, primary advisers can help students choose elective courses, access services on campus, and provide assistance with applying to universities and graduate schools.

Sample Weekly Schedule

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------|--|----------|----------------------|----------|----------------------|
| 08:30 – 10:20 | Writing | Reading | Writing | Reading | Writing |
| 10:40 – 12:30 | Listening & Speaking | Elective | Listening & Speaking | Elective | Listening & Speaking |
| 12:30 – 14:00 | Lunch | | | | |
| 14:00 – 14:50 | Special Courses, Orientation, Activities/Events, Tutoring, Student Clubs | | | | |
| 15:00 – 15:50 | Special Courses, Orientation, Activities/Events, Tutoring, Student Clubs | | | | |

Program Information

2019-2021 Program Dates*

| Term | Begin Date | End Date | Tuition & Charges* |
|------------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Fall 1 2019 | August 21 | October 16 | US \$3913 |
| Fall 2 2019 | October 17 | December 19 | US \$3913 |
| Spring 1 2020 | January 8 | March 4 | US \$3913 |
| Spring 2 2020 | March 5 | May 7 | US \$3913 |
| Summer 2020 | June 3 | July 30 | US \$3960 |
| Half-Summer 2020 | July 1 | July 30 | US \$2276 |
| Fall 1 2020 | August 19 | October 14 | US \$3913 |
| Fall 2 2020 | October 15 | December 17 | US \$3913 |
| Spring 1 2021 | January 6 | March 3 | US \$3913 |
| Spring 2 2021 | March 4 | May 6 | US \$3913 |
| Summer 2021 | June 2 | July 30 | US \$3913 |
| Half-Summer 2021 | July 1 | July 30 | US \$3913 |

Estimated Additional Expenses (per 8-week session)*

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| Housing and Meals | US \$3700 |
| Personal Expenses | US \$1800 (incl. insurance, books, and supplies) |

* Subject to change without notice.

ESL Academic Bridge

The **ESL Academic Bridge Program** (24 hours/week) is for conditionally-admitted students who have met the academic requirements but have not met the English language proficiency requirements for admission into an undergraduate degree program at the University of Colorado Boulder. The program prepares students to meet the English language challenges of undergraduate study at the university. Students not only take coursework in academic English and university preparation, but also participate in workshops, activities, and events, which help them transition to the university and become part of the university community. Students must successfully complete the Bridge program prior to beginning their degree program at the university.

ESL Credit

The **ESL Credit Program** is designed for advanced level international graduate, undergraduate, and exchange students at the University of Colorado Boulder or working professionals from the Boulder area. Students build and refine their English communication skills using texts, materials, and activities relevant to their specific area of study or profession. Courses are interactive and challenging. Currently, 2 and 3-credit courses are offered in writing, public speaking, pronunciation, and integrated skills.

See iec.colorado.edu for program dates and course information.

Tuition, 2-credit course: US \$854 (Subject to change without notice.)

Tuition, 3-credit course: US \$1281 (Subject to change without notice.)



Legal English

The **Legal English Program** (20-24 hours/week) is an 8-week intensive program for international students who plan on attending law school in the U.S. as well as for practicing international lawyers seeking to refine their English skills. Students on an F-1 or J-1 visa take the full program, while part-time and current degree students may enroll in individual courses. (Individual courses meet 4-6 hours per week.) Classes are offered in Writing & Rhetoric, Legal Oral Communication Skills, Understanding Legal Texts, Law School Prep (for CU Law conditionally-admitted students), and Micro-courses that target structure, grammar, pronunciation, and presentation skills. Students have the opportunity to attend CU Law School events, lectures, and activities.

See iec.colorado.edu for detailed information.

Au Pair Weekend Intensive

The **Au Pair Weekend Intensive Course** is designed specifically for au pairs. Each weekend course (Friday evening to Sunday afternoon) provides 36 hours of instruction. Au pairs can take 2 weekend intensive courses to meet the 72 hours required for a J-1 visa. Au pairs who enroll in these courses will engage with other au pairs, explore cultural and historical sites, polish their writing, reading, listening, speaking, grammar, pronunciation, and presentation skills, expand their academic and professional knowledge, collaborate on projects and presentations, gain confidence communicating in English, and develop international social and professional networks. Courses are designed for intermediate to advanced level speakers of English.

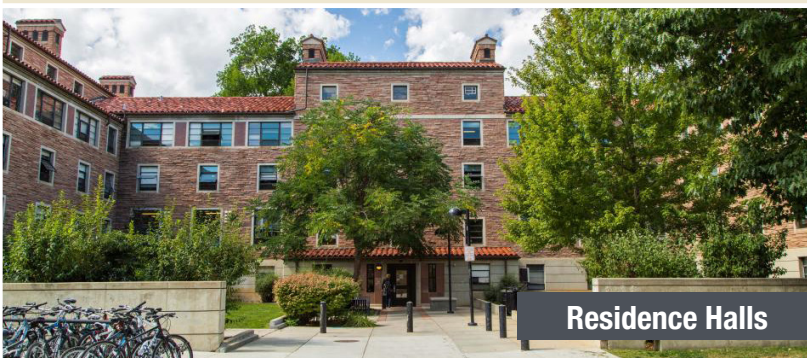
See iec.colorado.edu for course topics, program dates, and tuition.

Customized Programs

The IEC offers customized short-term English language training and educational experiences. These include intensive test preparation (TOEFL, IELTS, GRE, GMAT), English and cultural experiences for youth and university-age groups, English language training for business, government, military, and nonprofit groups, ESL teacher training and more.

Email ieccu@colorado.edu for more information.

The IEC offers housing options that help students adjust to university life, with opportunities to make new friends and to participate in organized social events and activities. Students may also locate housing on their own.



Residence Halls

Residence Halls

Overview:

- Traditional dormitory housing
- Room is shared with another student
- Shared bathroom with other students
- NO smoking
- Contract required through University Housing
- The only on-campus housing option for students 17 years old

Location:

- Short walk/bus ride to classes, dining halls, library, campus events

Cost:*

- US \$8083 per semester (16 weeks)
- US \$300 deposit

Meals:

- Includes 19 meals per week



Bear Creek Apartments

Bear Creek Apartments

Overview:

- Private room in a two-bedroom apartment
- Kitchen and bathroom are shared with one other person
- NO smoking
- Apartments are furnished; all utilities are included in cost
- Lease required through IEC
- Must be 18 years or older to qualify

Location:

- Located off main campus; campus shuttle bus runs every 10 minutes

Cost:*

- US \$2706 per 8-week session
- US \$300 non-refundable reservation charge

Meals:

- Meals are not included
- Campus meal plans are available for an additional cost

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The IEC's Student Services office is available to help students acclimate to life in the U.S. Staff is available to answer questions regarding visa and immigration issues, housing, insurance, banking and more. The Student Services office also organizes cultural and recreational activities for IEC students each session.

Immigration Advising

The IEC immigration adviser provides students with information about how to maintain their F-1 international student status. The immigration adviser answers questions related to program extensions, transferring in or out of the program, term exemptions (when students want to take a session off), reduced course loads, early authorized withdrawals, and on-campus employment regulations. The immigration adviser provides workshops and meets with students one-on-one to ensure that they understand all expectations, requirements, and regulations. The adviser also helps to smooth the transition between the ESL Academic Bridge Program and the University of Colorado Boulder for those students who intend to matriculate into a degree program.

Recreational & Cultural Activities

The IEC provides many opportunities for students to enjoy recreational activities outside the classroom. Each session, the IEC hosts activities such as:

- Skiing, horseback riding, and hiking
- Social events and receptions
- Outings to museums, theaters, and concerts
- Trips to college and professional baseball and basketball games
- Volunteer opportunities with local organizations



Student Testimonials



Victoria Pimentel Beltran
Chile

Right from the start, when I first began considering attending a program at the IEC, the staff was very helpful with answering all the questions I had and assisting me with the process of becoming a student at the center. Over time, I could notice the improvement of my English skills. I am impressed that in only two months, I have learned more than I thought I could have.



Karin Teekha
Thailand

Before coming to the IEC, I completely did not understand English. The IEC is one of the best schools for international students to improve their English skills. The IEC provides students with a quality education and many chances to meet other students from many different countries and cultures. Additionally, the center is located in Boulder, Colorado in a beautiful environment. I really enjoy living and studying here.



Nicolas Lafaverge
Venezuela

The IEC has given me the perfect opportunity to improve my English skills in a multicultural environment where the desire to learn a new language is enhanced by learning about different cultures and perspectives. I have met many extraordinary people who have become my friends. The IEC is much more than an English academy. It is a big, multicultural, diverse family where everyone can participate regardless of their origin, culture, or religion.



Emtenan Alfahaid
Saudi Arabia

At the IEC, I'm learning to share my opinion, my vision, and my dreams with other students who come from different countries, different backgrounds and cultures. In addition to improving my English skills, the most important thing I have learned here is how to respect other people.

The International English Center is accredited by the
Commission on English Language Program Accreditation.



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About Boulder and Denver

- The **University of Colorado Boulder** is considered one of the **most beautiful campuses in the country**. The university is located at the base of the Rocky Mountains and just 48 kilometers northwest of downtown Denver.
- **Denver** is one of the **most dynamic metropolitan areas in the country** with a vibrant downtown, museums, shops, and restaurants.
- **Denver International Airport** is conveniently located **45 minutes from the University of Colorado Boulder campus**.
- **Boulder** is home to more than **30 art galleries, 165 shops,** and more than **120 restaurants**.
- Boulder has **some of the best weather in the country**. It not only experiences all four seasons, but also averages **300+ days of sunshine** each year.
- Boulder is a gateway to many of Colorado's **25+ ski resorts**, featuring some of the best slopes in the country, plenty of sunshine, and historic ski towns.



About the University of Colorado Boulder



- Ranked #38 in the world on *Shanghai Jiaotong University's Academic Ranking of World Universities, 2018*
- Ranked #43 in the world on *U.S. News & World Report's Ranking of Global Universities, 2019*
- Ranked #1 in geosciences on *U.S. News & World Report's Ranking of Global Universities, 2019*
- Home to 5 Nobel Prize winners
- More than 110 undergraduate and graduate degree programs
- More than 3,900 academic courses in 150 areas of study
- More than 3,000 international students from more than 96 countries

University of Colorado Boulder Colleges and Schools

- College of Arts and Sciences
- Leeds School of Business
- College of Media, Communication and Information
- School of Education
- College of Engineering and Applied Science
- College of Music
- Program in Environmental Design
- School of Law



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