UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY





Learn English, explore Canada!

2027/2028 Intensive ESL and Bridging Programs

Learn English at UCalgary!

Learn from expert instructors who specialize in English as an additional language. Our programs support students from high-beginner to advanced levels, with engaging, interactive classes that help you build the skills and confidence to reach your goals.



2027/28 English Language Program (ELP)

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Learn with confidence

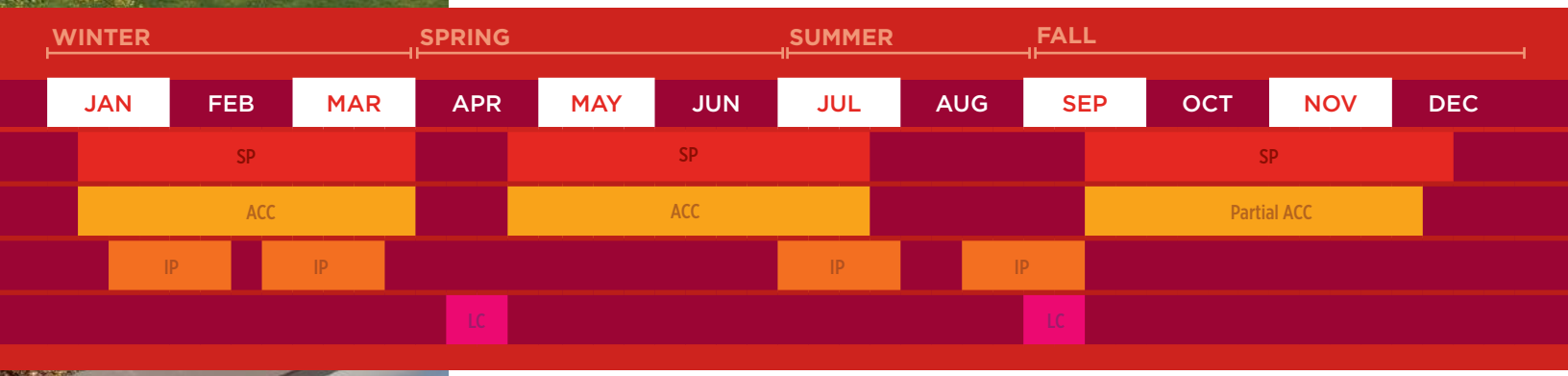
- Learn from experienced and caring instructors
- Study in small classes (about 16 students)
- Accurate level placement with thorough testing process
- Choose a course length that fits your timeline
- Get an evaluation and certificate of participation when you finish

Feel supported and connected

- Learn in world-class university facilities
- Get help from a friendly student services team
- Join social activities and meet new people
- Study with students from different countries
- Pathway to college and university programs

Everything you need is included

- Textbooks and learning materials
- Use the library, computers and Wi-Fi
- Use sports and recreation facilities*
- Emergency health insurance**
- Public transit pass to travel in the city†

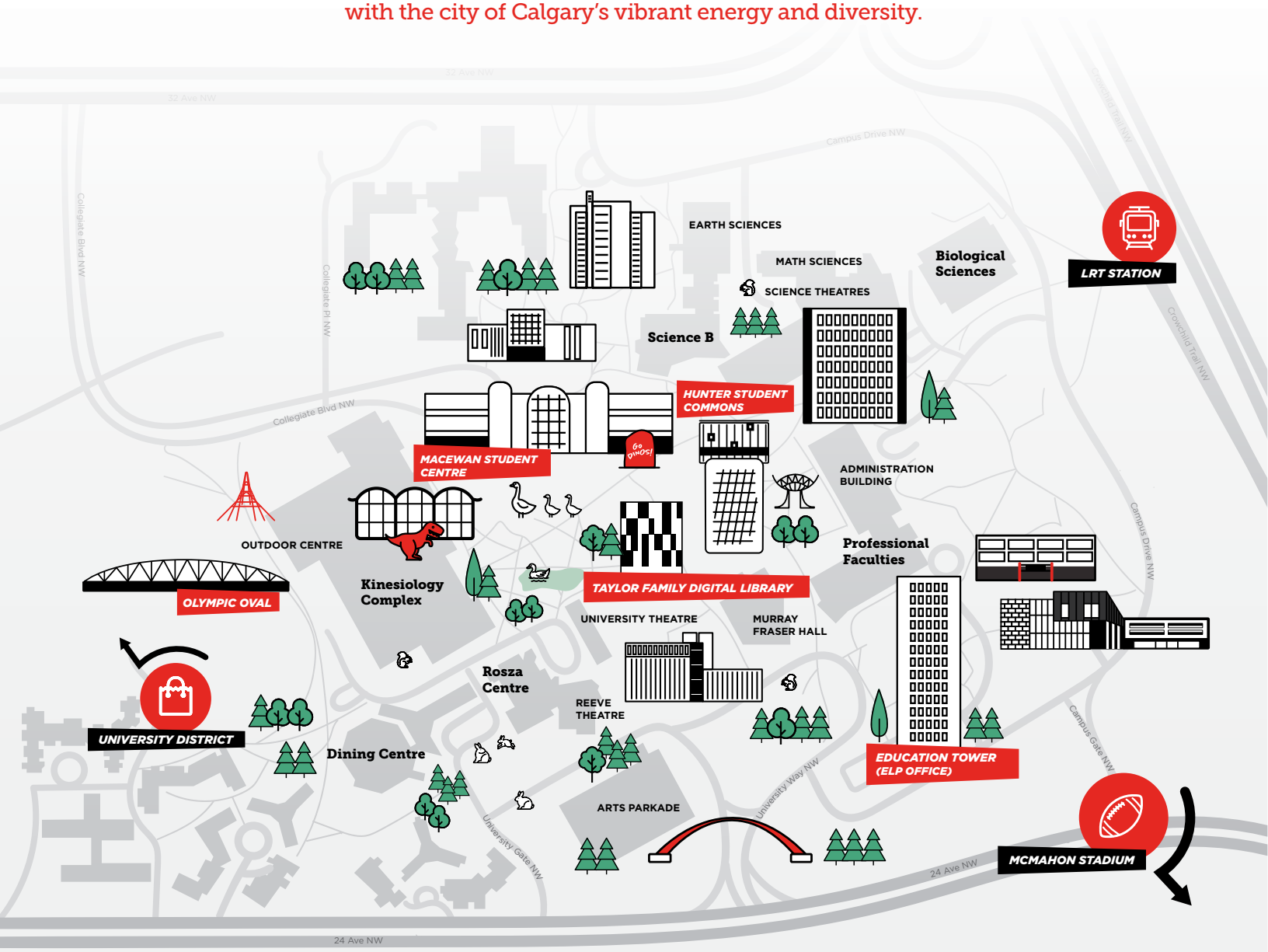




* *For all courses of 3 weeks or longer.*
** *International students under 65 only.*
† *For all courses of 12 weeks or longer. Coverage starts from May 1 for Spring terms.*

Explore UCalgary

The University of Calgary is one of Canada's top 5 research universities, combining the best of university tradition with the city of Calgary's vibrant energy and diversity.



Among the top Canadian startup creators

#5 Top research university in Canada*

Ranked 200 in World University Rankings**

More than 38,000 students

A world-class 213-hectare campus

96% graduate employment rate

Member of TESL Canada and Languages Canada

* *Research Infosource Inc.*, 2025

** *Times Higher Education*, World University Rankings 2026











Images listed top left to right:

Public LRT train (CTrain) station
12-minute ride to downtown from the university

MacEwan Student Centre
Restaurants, shops, medical/dental clinic and fitness facility

Hunter Student Commons
A student space to eat, relax, study and work on group projects

Olympic Oval
World-class speedskating facility

Education Block/Tower
Location of the English Language office and classrooms

Taylor Family Digital Library
Large, modern library with study spaces, group areas and technology resources



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Come to Calgary

Surrounded by Alberta's many beautiful travel destinations, we offer exciting learning opportunities on and off campus, ensuring the best possible international learning experience.





Outdoor adventure



Festivals and theatre



Concerts and live music



Restaurants and shopping





- 4th largest city in Canada* (population: 1.6 million)
- 3rd most diverse city in Canada*
- One of Canada's youngest cities (median age 37)*
- Safe, clean, friendly and famous for its western hospitality
- Sunniest city in Canada — over 333 days a year*
- Most extensive urban pathway system in North America
- Warm chinook winds bring spring-like temperatures during the winter months
- International airport located only 20 minutes from downtown
- Among the longest network of indoor downtown pedestrian bridges in North America
- Home to Canada's National Music Centre and the world-famous Calgary Stampede
- 1 hour from Banff National Park and world-class ski resorts
- 1.5 hours from Drumheller, dinosaur capital of the world
- 4.5 hours from Jasper, Canada's largest national park in the Rocky Mountains







Photos upper left to lower right:
Canada Olympic Park, Calgary
Calgary Summer Skyline, Sherpas Cinema**
River surfing at Harvie Passage, Colin Way**
Chinook Blast, Neil Zeller**
Chinook Blast, Colin Way*
Cold Garden Beverage Company, Colin Way**
Moraine Lake, Banff National Park, Earth Pixel LLC
Calgary Central Library, Colin Way**
Hoodoos, Drumheller, Jeff Whyte

* *Calgary Economic Development*
** *Images provided by Tourism Calgary*

GRADUATE STORY

From Osaka to Calgary
Akane Fujiwara

How UCalgary's English Language Program became a life-changing pathway

Seizing a promising opportunity, Akane Fujiwara arrived in Calgary in the spring of 2022 from Osaka, Japan. A partnership between her school in Japan, and the University of Calgary, led Akane to study abroad and join the English Language Program (ELP) with UCalgary Continuing Education. What began as a momentary detour from her studies in Osaka quickly evolved into a defining chapter of her life.

Through her completion of three Semester Programs and the Academic Communication Certificate, Akane spent eight months building foundational and academic English skills in reading, writing and speaking. After progressing from Level 4 to Level 7, she credits the program — particularly its focus on reading and applying research — as essential to her success today.

From ELP to undergraduate success

"The English Language Program changed my life," Akane says. "I really liked the culture, the way of teaching, how friendly teachers were. I had an idea of how Canadian education is and I liked it so much that I enrolled at the University of Calgary."

Reflecting on the continuous value of ELP for her academic goals, Akane says, "The skills I learned about writing and reading articles are still useful in my undergraduate studies."

Now pursuing an economics degree in the Faculty of Arts as part of a competitive honours cohort, Akane regularly collaborates with a small group of peers to tackle complex academic challenges. "We have about 20 people in the honours program, and our professors have high expectations of us," she explains. "My favourite thing about studying are the people around me. We work together to solve the difficult questions from our professors."

From instructors who offered one-on-one feedback during class to professors who welcomed questions during office hours, she found the learning environment at UCalgary to be both supportive and accessible. "They were really friendly and kind," she says. "They try to make sure everybody understands. It was really easy to ask questions because they were so open."

Forming lasting friendships

This sense of connection extended beyond the classroom. Through ELP, Akane formed lasting friendships with classmates she studied alongside for months. "We ended up getting really close," she says. "I still hang out with them three years later — it is really helpful to have them."

Experiential learning and cultural immersion also played a key role. A memorable overnight trip to Banff National Park brought students together in a way that classrooms alone could not. Remembering some uniquely Canadian experiences from the group trip, like making s'mores, she says, "It was a really good opportunity for us to get closer to each other."

Living with homestay families further deepened her experience. Across several placements, Akane found warmth, care and a sense of belonging. "They treated me like their own child, but also as an adult," she says. One host, in particular, helped her through moments of homesickness by creating a supportive daily routine and taking time to connect. "She made me feel like family," Akane recalls.



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>
> Akane, from Japan

Forging a fulfilling career path in Calgary

After excelling academically and using the skills she gained in ELP, Akane secured a co-operative education work-placement position with AltaLink, an electricity transmission company. “In the ELP program, I learned how to write a resume and cover letter and writing in general. That’s really important when you apply for a company,” she explains.

With graduation expected in May 2028, Akane now has a clear goal: to work full time with the company. “Working is very different from studying,” she says. “It has been really a good experience.”

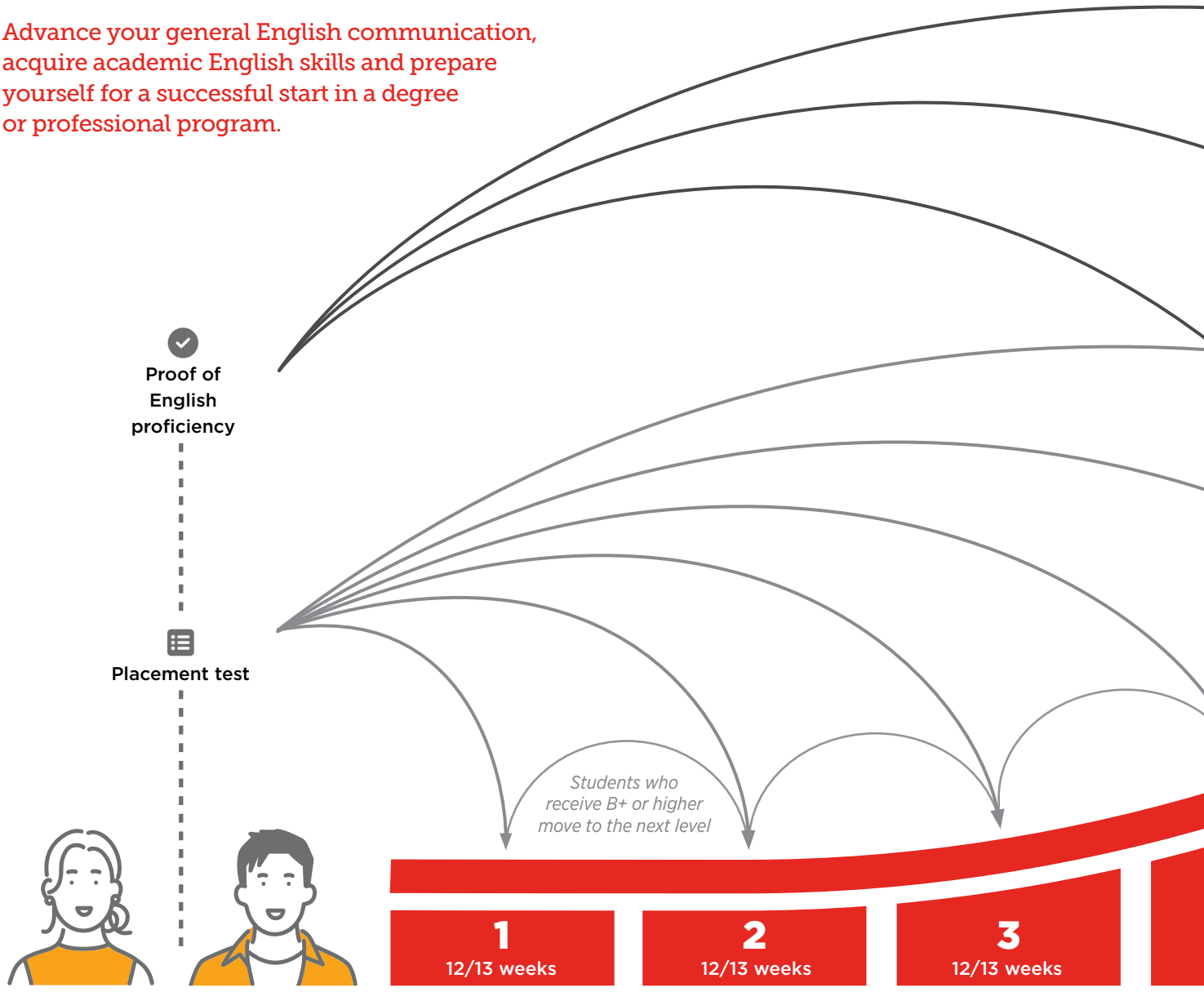
Looking back, her advice to prospective students is simple: “If you are even a little bit interested, you should come and try. Of course, it will change your level of English, but it’ll also change your point of view.”

To those who do come, Akane adds, “I encourage you to really speak English. There are university clubs like my own, called Japanese Club, where you can make Canadian friends and practise English.”

For Akane, this transformative journey not only changed where she studies, but also brought her independence, lifelong friends and a bright future.

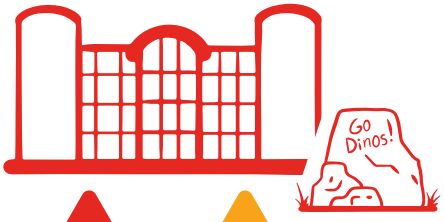
Your gateway to
university life

Advance your general English communication, acquire academic English skills and prepare yourself for a successful start in a degree or professional program.



General Communication

- Grammar
- Reading and Writing
- Speaking and Listening



TOEFL iBT score of 70 (4.0) / IELTS score of 6.0

TOEFL iBT score of 55 (3.5) / IELTS score of 5.5

TOEFL iBT score of 45 (3.0) / IELTS score of 5.0

Successful completion of Academic Communication Certificate (ACC):

- Conditional admission and acceptance to UCalgary undergraduate and graduate degree programs
- Conditional admission and acceptance to select Bow Valley College programs in Calgary

Successful completion of Semester Program Level 6:

- Conditional admission and acceptance to UCalgary Continuing Education International Professional Programs
- Conditional admission and acceptance to select programs at Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) in Edmonton and Bow Valley College in Calgary

Admission criteria may vary by institution and program type, please contact the institution and program of your interest to obtain admission details.

4
12/13 weeks

5
12/13 weeks

Academic preparation

6
12/13 weeks

University preparation

12/13 weeks

Level 6

- Academic Grammar and Composition
- Academic Reading and Vocabulary
- Academic Speaking and Listening

Academic Communication Certificate (ACC)

- Academic Writing and Composition
- Research Writing and Form
- Critical Listening and Notetaking
- Oral Communication and Presentation Skills
- Academic Success Tutorials

Click here to learn more

2027

WINTER
1/4 - 3/25

SPRING
4/19 - 7/16

FALL
9/20 - 12/17

2028

WINTER
1/4 - 3/24

PRICE
$4,650

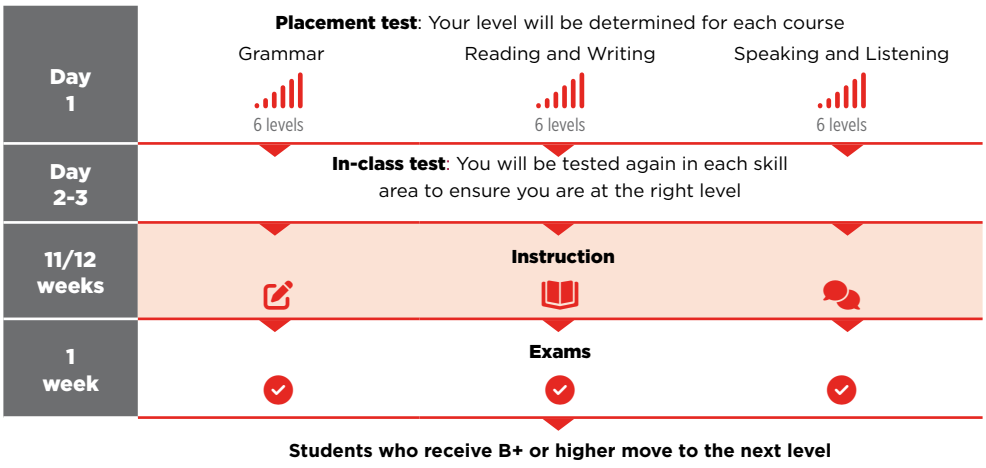
PROGRAM HOURS
275 hours

ESL 100: 12/13 weeks

Semester Program

Grow your English skills, step by step

Start at your level and learn with confidence. Each semester includes 11–12 weeks of classes and assessment, followed by exams. Most intermediate students can reach advanced English in about one year (3 semesters + 1 intensive program).



Level 1 – 5: Acquiring accuracy: comprehensive English

Focused courses from high beginner to advanced levels with engaging, interactive learning.

Courses

Communicative Grammar
Learn grammar through speaking, listening, reading, writing and vocabulary.

Reading and Writing
Develop reading, writing and vocabulary skills with a focus on critical thinking.

Speaking and Listening
Communicate accurately and fluently in different English-speaking situations.

Level 6: Academic preparation

The top level of our Semester Program focuses on the written and oral skills necessary for success in the English language post-secondary classroom.

Courses

Academic Reading and Vocabulary
Strengthen advanced reading and vocabulary skills through focused practice and critical thinking.

Academic Grammar and Composition
Develop critical thinking skills, writing tasks and various grammatical structures at an academic level.

Academic Speaking and Listening
Build advanced speaking and listening skills through lectures, discussions and research presentations.

Students completing Level 6 meet the English language proficiency requirement for:

- Academic Communication Certificate (ACC), see page 13
- Continuing Education International Professional Programs, see **conted.ucalgary.ca/ipp**
- Applicable Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) and Bow Valley College programs

Sample timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Morning	Grammar Reading and Writing	Grammar Reading and Writing	Grammar Reading and Writing	Grammar Reading and Writing	Grammar Reading and Writing	Optional Activity Program
Afternoon	Speaking and Listening	Speaking and Listening	Speaking and Listening	Speaking and Listening		

Admission requirements

Proof of English language proficiency is not required to enter the Semester Program; students will be tested before the program begins and then placed in the appropriate level.

Advanced placement

Advanced placement into levels 5 and 6 of the Semester Program is available for students wishing to guarantee placement. One of the following minimum scores is required:

Level 5

- UCalgary ELP Semester Program, Level 4, Minimum B+
- IELTS Academic score of 5.0 overall, 5.0 in writing, 4.5 in all other skill areas
- Duolingo English Test score of 85 overall, 75 in production
- TOEFL iBT score of 45 (3.0) overall, 15 (3.0) in writing
- CAEL score of 40 overall, 40 in writing

Level 6

- UCalgary ELP Semester Program, Level 5, Minimum B+
- IELTS Academic score of 5.5 overall, 5.5 in writing, 5.0 in all other skill areas
- Duolingo English Test score of 95 overall, 85 in production
- TOEFL iBT score of 55 (3.5) overall, 18 (3.5) in writing
- CAEL score of 50 overall, 50 in writing

Jump-start ACC

Combine Semester Program level 6 Grammar/Composition and Reading/Vocabulary classes in the morning and ACC listening/oral communication skill classes in the afternoon. (See page 13).

- IELTS Academic overall score of 6.0, with a minimum score of 5.5 in all skill areas or equivalent

“I think one of my favorite things is I can share my experience with people from several countries... China, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Latin America — but we can speak English.”

Angela, from Peru





2027

WINTER
1/4 - 3/25

SPRING
4/19 - 7/16

2028

WINTER
1/4 - 3/24

PRICE
$4,975

PROGRAM HOURS
250 hours

PARTIAL ACC**

FALL 2027
(EAP 230, EAP 235 and EAP 249)
9/20 - 12/10

WINTER 2028
(EAP 220, EAP 225 and EAP 249)
1/4 - 3/24

PRICE
$3,000

PROGRAM HOURS
Fall: 134 hours
Winter: 146 hours

EAP 200: 12/13 weeks

Academic Communication Certificate (ACC)

Academic mastery: university preparation

Learn essential skills for the academic setting, acquire critical knowledge for a successful transition to Canadian university culture, meet **English language proficiency admission requirements**, and gain **transfer credit** toward a UCalgary undergraduate program.

Courses

EAP 220: Academic Writing and Composition* | 58 hours
Focus on writing effective academic essays while mastering essential sentence skills and reading critically.

EAP 225: Research Writing and Form* | 58 hours
Focus on writing research papers and critical responses with strong comprehension, analysis, interpretation and citation.

EAP 230: Critical Listening and Notetaking | 52 hours
Prepare for an English-speaking university setting with critical academic listening skills across content areas.

EAP 235: Oral Communication and Presentation Skills | 52 hours
Develop skills to defend ideas, present coherent concepts, speak thoughtfully in discussions and contribute to group projects in an academic setting.

EAP 249: Academic Success Tutorials | 20 hours
Prepare for Canadian university success through seminars on academic integrity, critical thinking, health and wellness, learning styles, study strategies, time management, understanding learning objectives and university customs and policies.

Admission requirements

Students must fulfil one of the following minimum requirements:

- UCalgary ELP Semester Program, Level 6, Minimum B+
- IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, minimum 6.0 in writing, 5.5 in all other skill areas
- Duolingo English test score of 110 overall, 100 in production
- TOEFL iBT score of 70 (4.0), minimum of 20 (4.0) in writing
- CAEL score of 60 overall, minimum of 60 in writing

Note: Students who do not meet writing/production proficiency requirements may combine ESL level 6 morning classes (Grammar & Composition and Reading & Vocabulary) with ACC afternoon classes (EAP 230 and 235)

Sample timetable (weeks 1 - 6)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning	Academic Writing and Composition	Academic Writing and Composition	Academic Writing and Composition	Academic Writing and Composition	Academic Writing and Composition
Afternoon	Critical Listening and Notetaking	Critical Listening and Notetaking	Critical Listening and Notetaking	Critical Listening and Notetaking	Academic Success Tutorials

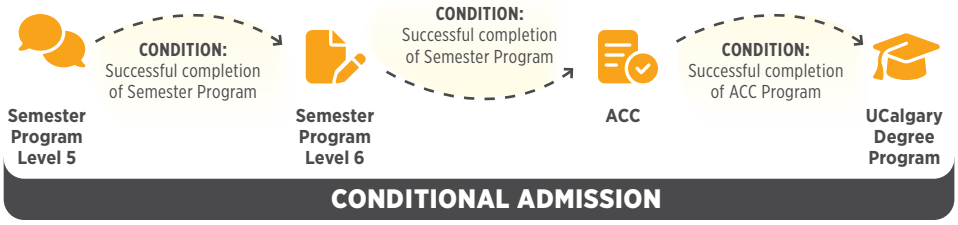
Course schedules may vary by term.
The 13-week spring term includes a one-week break with no classes.

* *Available in winter and spring only.*
** *Students can take partial ACC only or combine it with semester level 6 morning classes. They can take EAP 220 and 225 in subsequent term to complete ACC.*



Pathway to UCalgary degree programs

Successful completion of the ACC meets the English language proficiency requirement for admission to applicable UCalgary undergraduate and graduate degree programs.* Students starting in Semester Program level 5 or 6 may be conditionally admitted to the ACC and degree programs if other academic requirements are met.



Sample programs of study

for UCalgary undergraduate program admission

Students may start in any term that enables ACC completion before the fall term.

	Full-time	Full-time Hybrid	Reduced Full-time	Full-time
	IELTS 5.5 or equivalent	*IELTS 5.5/6.0 or equivalent*	*IELTS 6.0 or equivalent*	*IELTS 6.0 or equivalent*
Term 1	ESL Semester Program Level 6**	Jump-start ACC**	Partial ACC	ACC
Term 2	ACC	Partial ACC + Open Studies†	Partial ACC + Open Studies†	Transfer credit (2)
	Transfer credit (2 courses)			Start Degree Program
	Start Degree Program			

How to apply to a UCalgary degree program

1. Apply to the English Language Program (ELP)
2. Receive ELP invitation letter
3. Apply for undergraduate program
4. Receive undergraduate conditional letter of admission
5. Register in the ELP
6. Receive ELP letter of admission



* *Minimum ACC grades vary by graduate program. Please contact the graduate program you are applying to for specific requirements.*

** *Students who qualify for Jump-start (Level 6 + Partial ACC). Requirements listed on page 12.*

† *Open studies is optional.*

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> “There’s a lot of kind people here. And I really improved my English skills.”
>
> Shiki, from Japan



2027

WINTER I
1/11 - 2/5*
1/11 - 2/12**

WINTER II
2/8 - 3/12**
2/16 - 3/12*

SUMMER I
7/5 - 30*

SUMMER II
8/9 - 9/3*

2028

WINTER I
1/10 - 2/4*
1/10 - 2/11**

WINTER II
2/7 - 3/10**
2/14 - 3/10*

PRICE
$2,025*
$2,125**

HOURS
100 hours*
120 hours**

* 4 weeks
** 5 weeks

ESL 101: 4/5 weeks

Intensive Program

Building fluency: authentic communication

Boost your oral fluency in an active classroom setting. Our intensive programs focus on improving your overall communication skills through fun, engaging classroom instruction and group activities. Take English out of the textbook and into real life — your path to effective communication starts here.

Levels: high beginner to upper advanced.

Courses

General English communication skills
A communicative approach to learning English, including lectures, learning activities, exercises, listening activities, pair/group discussions and class discussions.

Pronunciation
Improve vowel and consonant sounds, syllable and word stress, contractions, rhythm and intonation.

Literature Circle discussion groups
Develop critical thinking, vocabulary and speaking skills through reading.

Sample timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning	ESL Class	ESL Class	ESL Class	ESL Class	Optional Activity Program: overnight trip
Afternoon	Pronunciation	Literature Circle	Pronunciation	Literature Circle	



Click here to learn more

ESL 111: 2 weeks

Language and Culture

Focus on Canada: pre-semester preparation

This short, intensive course will boost your oral fluency and functional English communication abilities. It is the best way to prepare for the Spring or Fall Semester Program and highly recommended for students who are not familiar with the group work and discussion format used in a communicative classroom.

In this course, you will:

- Focus on improving speaking and listening skills
- Learn about Canadian society, populations and government
- Learn Canadian vocabulary and expressions
- Learn about Calgary and Alberta through activities and field trips

Sample timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning	ESL Class	ESL Class	ESL Class	ESL Class	ESL Class
Afternoon	ESL Class	ESL Class	Afternoon Activity	ESL Class	Afternoon Activity

2027

SPRING
4/5 - 16

FALL
9/7 - 17

PRICE
$1,075

PROGRAM HOURS
50 hours

“Classes are organized, instructors are disciplined, and well mannered. Every morning I came to class eager and enthusiastic.”

Haghighi, from Iran



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PACKAGE PRICE:

Spring/Fall Semester
Early bird*: $950
Regular: $1,050

Spring, Summer I and II Intensive
Early bird*: $500
Regular: $550

Winter I and II Intensive**
Early bird*: $650
Regular: $700

ESL 102/103/112/113

Optional Activity Programs

Make new friends, improve your English communication skills and visit some unforgettable destinations.

The activity program offers information sessions and guided excursions to Western Canada's top travel destinations. Fees include transportation, admission, accommodation, lift tickets and equipment rentals, if applicable.

Activity program package

Visit our most popular and must-see destinations in one complete package. This package includes top places to visit in and around Calgary, often featuring an overnight trip and day trip(s). It is more cost-effective than registering for individual trips and guarantees your spots for all included activities.

Individual trips and events

Unsure if you want to commit to the entire package? You can register for trips and events individually at the regular rate. Spots for each activity are limited, so be sure to register early!



* *The early bird price ends one month before the program starts.*
** *Students in the Winter Semester program can take the Winter I and/or the Winter II Intensive package*

Sample day trips:

Banff day trip
- Visit world-famous Lake Louise
- Banff Gondola Admission
- Stop at Banff townsite

Rocky mountain ski/snowboard
- Ski/snowboard lessons
- Equipment rentals
- Lift tickets
- Evening stop at Banff townsite

Drumheller
- Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology
- Hoodoos Trail
- Horsethief Canyon















Sample overnight trips:

Jasper
- Maligne Canyon
- Athabasca Falls, Peyto Lake and Bow Lake
- Athabasca Glacier tour and Columbia Icefield Skywalk

Waterton
- Lake Cruise Tour
- Red Rock Canyon
- Bear's Hump Trailhead

Rocky mountain adventure
- Whitewater rafting
- Takakkaw Falls
- Emerald Lake

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PRICE:

Summer
$325/week
or $50/day

Other terms
$300/week
or $45/day

ADDITIONAL FEES:
See page 21

ESL 900/901/911

Homestay

Improve your English language and intercultural skills by living with a Canadian family.

Homestay is a fun and safe environment to experience culture, learn authentic English, and improve communication skills. By including Homestay with your program, you will have the opportunity to live with a local family and use what you have learned in the classroom in practice while gaining cultural understanding and adaptability.

Homestay accommodation includes:

- A private bedroom
- A desk or table to study
- Three meals a day (at least one prepared by host family), 7 days a week
- Free laundry facilities for you to wash your clothes
- Shared common areas (e.g., kitchen, living room)
- Airport pick-up/drop-off
- Student support from a homestay co-ordinator/admin team

Homestay starts on the Saturday before the course start date and finishes on the Saturday after the course end date.

We ensure all students who take part in Homestay feel safe and comfortable with thorough screening of families, ongoing evaluation and home visits. If you want to learn more about our screening process for families, visit esl.ucalgary.ca/homestay









Program Information



Visas

Most international students require an entrance document to enter and study in Canada — either a visa (TRV) or an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) for shorter programs — or a study permit for programs of study more than six months. Check with your nearest Canadian embassy or consulate for more information on applying for entrance documents and study permits. canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/study-canada.html

Depending on the country from which you are applying, processing times can take several months. We strongly advise you to apply for your entrance documents and study permit as soon as possible, but at least three months prior to the start date of your program.

Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL)

The Government of Canada requires that all study permit applicants submit a Provincial Attestation Letter (PAL). The English Language Program will secure PALs for students who register in two or more consecutive PAL-eligible programs (ESL 100 and EAP 200) within a 12-month period. PAL-eligible programs have dedicated sections for students requiring PALs.

Admission requirements

- 18 years of age or older*
- High beginner to advanced level of English**
- Willing to participate in all classroom activities

Deadlines

Full payment is due 15 days before the course begins; if full payment is not received, the student will be withdrawn from the course, forfeiting the course deposit.

Two weeks after the course begins, students not present will be withdrawn in accordance with the refund policy. Please inform the office if you cannot start the course on time.

ELP certificate of participation

A certificate of participation will be given at the end of the course to students who attend a minimum of 90% of classes.

Conditional admission to UCalgary

Undergraduate Programs

The condition of admission for undergraduate programs will be met once a student successfully completes EAP 220, 225, 230, 235 with a minimum grade of B+ and EAP 249 with a CR by August 1 in the year they received conditional admission for. Nursing and Education do not accept the Academic Communication Certificate. Where programs have additional requirements, conditional admission is only valid for the year of application.

Graduate Programs

The condition of admission for graduate programs will be met once a student successfully completes EAP 220, 225, 230, 235 with a minimum grade of B+ and EAP 249 with a CR by August 1, or as designated by the department. Some graduate programs require a minimum grade of A- in some ACC courses or do not accept the Academic Communication Certificate. Please contact the graduate program directly to confirm admission requirements at future.grad@ucalgary.ca.

Emergency health insurance

Emergency health insurance is provided for international students under 65 from the Saturday before the English course start date to the Saturday after the English course end date. Students can also access GuardMe for mental wellness support. For details, visit sites.guard.me/ucalgaryesl/about. Emergency health insurance does not cover pre-exiting conditions; students must secure additional coverage through their own provider. All fees must be paid in full for insurance to be processed and valid. Additional insurance is available between courses at an additional cost.

* *If you are 17 and have completed high school, please contact us.*

** *See program pages for additional admission requirements for the Academic Communication Certificate and advanced placement into level 5 and 6 of the Semester Program.*

Payment information

All course fees are in Canadian dollars. Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Japan Credit Bureau (JCB) are the preferred methods of payment. Convera (formerly Western Union) payment is also available. Cash or debit card payments are accepted if paying in person.

Bank wire transfers are accepted, but require a $60 processing fee. Bank wire refunds usually take a minimum of 3 months and require a $60 processing fee.

Application fee

A non-refundable $200 application fee is required for admission into the English Language Program. This is a one-time fee.

Homestay fees

A non-refundable $375 placement fee is required to apply for homestay. This fee is required each time a placement is requested.

A storage fee of $250 may apply for periods when students are absent from the homestay between courses. Regular homestay fees will not be charged during this period.

Deposits

A deposit is required for each course at the time of registration after which students will receive a Letter of Admission (LOA). All course deposits are towards tuition, not in addition to it. Deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable (exceptions may apply if conditions are met). Full payment is due 15 days before the course begins.

- ESL 100/EAP 200 (regular sections): $850
- ESL 100/EAP 200 (PAL eligible sections): 50% of the tuition
- ESL 101/111: $200
- ESL 112/113: $250
- ESL 102/103: See each course for individual activity deposit amount
- ESL 900/901/911: $300

Refund and transfer policy

All withdrawal and transfer requests must be made in writing via email. All refunds will be made via the original payment method. Please note that program application fees and homestay placement fees are non-refundable under any circumstances. No refunds will be made for courses that have no deposit.

Tuition refunds and transfers

Tuition refund and transfer eligibility is relative to the course start date and PAL requirements of each course. See table below.

Refunds/transfers related to entry status require one of the following supporting documents from the Government of Canada Immigration and Citizenship:

- A copy of the visa/permit refusal letter
- A copy of the visa/permit Application Status webpage indicating the application is still in progress and date of application.

Application for entry to Canada must have been submitted at least 3 months prior to your program start date. Please be advised that the policy above pertains to program applicants only, not family members or dependents.

Homestay refunds and transfers

A 14-day notice period is required to withdraw from the Homestay Program. Deposit(s) and fees for unused future homestay period will be refunded/transferred after the amount of the 14-day notice period has been deducted.

Homestay refunds of two nights or less will not be processed.

Tuition amount refunded or transferred per course

	REGULAR SECTIONS		PAL ELIGIBLE SECTIONS	
Reason	Personal	Visa/Permit status	Personal	Visa/Permit status
> 15 days before	100% tuition less deposit	100% tuition less $100 admin fee	65% tuition	95% tuition
2 - 14 days before	50% of tuition			
< 2 days before	No refunds/transfers			

Your program planning

Sample study plans

5 months: Calgary highlights
Move your English abilities up to the next level! The combination of a 12/13-week comprehensive English program with a 4/5-week communication-focused program will improve both your language accuracy and fluency. Experience Calgary and the Rocky Mountain's best seasons: spring skiing in the Rockies, catching the sights at the Calgary Stampede or whitewater rafting in Banff in the summer.

ESL 111: Spring Language and Culture Course	Apr	$1,075
ESL 100: Spring Semester Program	Apr – Jul	$4,650
ESL 112: Optional Activity Program Package	Apr – Jul	$950
ESL 101: Summer Intensive Program	Aug	$2,025
ESL 113: Optional Activity Program Package	Aug	$500
TUITION TOTAL		**$9,200**
APPLICATION FEE		**$200**
HOMESTAY PLACEMENT FEE		**$375**
HOMESTAY (22 WEEKS)		**6,700**
TOTAL		**$16,475**

7 months: Comprehensive English and culture
Start your journey by discovering Canadian culture, followed by two full Semester Programs designed to boost your English in every skill area. Learn to ski/snowboard at world-class ski hills and enjoy memorable winter holidays with your homestay family.

ESL 111: Fall Language and Culture Course	Sep	$1,075
ESL 100: Fall Semester Program	Sep – Dec	$4,650
ESL 112: Optional Activity Program Package	Sep – Dec	$950
ESL 100: Winter Semester Program	Jan – Mar	$4,650
TUITION TOTAL		**$11,325**
APPLICATION FEE		**$200**
HOMESTAY PLACEMENT FEE		**$375**
HOMESTAY (30 WEEKS)		**$9,000**
TOTAL		**$20,900**

1 Year: University pathway
Improve your English to meet the English language proficiency requirement to enter UCalgary degree programs. Two terms of advanced and upper advanced ESL programs, plus one term of ACC, will help you achieve successful transition to a UCalgary degree program.

ESL 100: Fall Semester Program: level 5	Sep – Dec	$4,650
ESL 100: Winter Semester Program: level 6	Jan – Mar	$4,650
EAP 200: Spring Academic Communication Certificate	Apr – Jul	$4,975
TUITION TOTAL		**$14,275**
APPLICATION FEE		**$200**
HOMESTAY PLACEMENT FEE		**$375**
HOMESTAY (44 WEEKS)		**$13,200**
TOTAL		**$28,050**



Get started

1

Find your courses

Visit our website at esl.ucalgary.ca or contact us at esl@ucalgary.ca to find courses that work for you.

2

Register online

Complete the online application, pay the application fee and tuition (deposit or full fee).

3

Receive letter of acceptance

The letter will be sent by email.

Questions?

If you have any questions, please contact the English Language Program office at **esl@ucalgary.ca** or **+1-403-220-3301.**

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