

## English Support

The University of Georgia offers abundant resources to support international students' language development. International students can enroll in English language courses tailored to their proficiency levels through the Intensive English Program, participate in International Coffee Hour, and engage in conversations with learners across the globe through the ESL Conversation Circle. You will find more information about these opportunities below.

### Intensive English Program

The mission of the UGA Intensive English Program (IEP) is to offer engaging, supportive, and rigorous language instruction to help speakers of English as a foreign language improve their English proficiency, gain cultural knowledge and understanding, and obtain practical communication skills for a variety of social situations.



### International Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour at the University of Georgia is a weekly program that brings UGA students, faculty, staff, and community members together over coffee and international cuisine. Excluding scheduled University breaks, this event occurs every Friday during the fall and spring semesters from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm in the Victor K. Wilson Ballroom. Hosted each week by our International Student Organizations and campus departments, the UGA Coffee Hour is one of the longest running programs of its kind across the United States.



## **Read and Write**

Read&Write is a literacy support tool that offers help with everyday tasks like reading text out loud, understanding unfamiliar words, researching assignments and proofing written work.

Use these links to get started:

[Texthelp Read&Write Gold - Direct Download](#)

[Using Read&Write for Windows with Google Chrome](#)

[Support for Read&Write Desktop – Chrome Extension](#)

## **ESL Conversation Circle**

The Athens-Clarke County Library (ACCL) offers a weekly English Conversation Circle for English Language Learners (ELLs) in the community. From a first class meeting of two people, the program has grown to an average of a dozen or more regular attendees. Every Wednesday afternoon, the energetic group meets with a primary objective: improving their English conversation skills. Participants hail from countries as varied as Cuba, China, Brazil, Turkey, Japan, and South Korea, and the reasons that brought them to Athens are varied as well. Some are visiting scholars at the University of Georgia while others have moved to the area to be with family. Some have lived in the U.S. for years, others for a few months.

## **The Hello House Language & Learning Center**

The Hello House is a language learning center for kids and adults in Athens, Georgia. It has been around for four years. The Hello House was created as a place where all people can feel welcome. Local and international families alike can find their place here along their language journey. There's something for everyone here. They offer classes in English (ESL), Spanish, and Japanese. They also have kids' events, camps, and workshops that take place throughout the year.  
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