

## 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 Intensive English Program (IEP) at UGA offers courses that focus on developing students' listening & speaking, reading & writing, and conversation & presentation skills. Courses are taught on the intermediate and advanced levels. Intermediate level courses focus on everyday English whereas advanced level courses focus on academic and professional English. The IEP course schedule follows UGA's academic calendar. Courses are taught in fall and spring semesters and the Thru Term (June and July). For enrolled UGA students, the IEP application fee will be waived. International graduate students can apply to have the tuition for one IEP course waived. More information about the IEP can be found here: <https://globalengagement.uga.edu/immigration/international-students/intensive-english-program/>



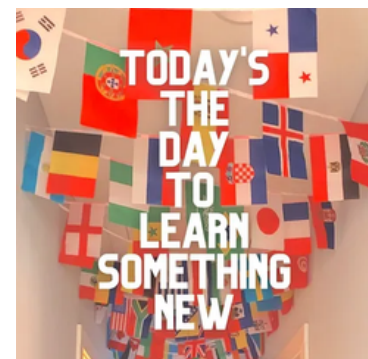
## **International Coffee Hour**

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.



## **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. Address: 1060 Gaines School Rd Ste B4 Athens, GA 30605 Phone: (706) 412-5100