ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM (ELP)
About the English Language Program

Hofstra University offers conditional admission to international students seeking education at a leading American university. It prepares students for academic success through a rigorous program of English language instruction, which, upon completion, permits them to transition to fully matriculated status. The program serves as a bridge to regular admission to the University and, once regular admission has been secured, provides students with continued support in developing their language skills while they pursue their degrees.

Enrolling in the ELP for Graduate and Undergraduate Students

Students who meet Hofstra University’s admission requirements but have not demonstrated English language proficiency may be invited to enroll in the English Language Program (ELP). Sessions are offered in the spring, summer and fall. Upon successful completion of ELP course work and demonstration of English proficiency, students transition to a degree-granting program at Hofstra University. Once they have successfully demonstrated English language proficiency, students are considered fully matriculated. There is no other requirement for full admission and no need for the student to file a separate application for admission to the University. Students who successfully complete the Advanced Level may, upon the recommendation of the ELP director, enroll in additional upper-level ELP classes, but they are not required to do so as a condition of their continued status as fully matriculated students.

ELP Beginner Level

The ELP Beginner Level, which includes the four courses listed below, takes place on our campus in Hempstead, New York. Upon completion of the Beginner Level, students continue with the ELP Advanced Level.

- ELP 011A, Introductory Reading Comprehension (3 s.h.): Development of basic academic reading skills in the various disciplines.
- ELP 012A, Introductory Grammar (3 s.h.): A systematic study of basic English grammar.
- ELP 013A, Introductory Conversation (3 s.h.): Development of basic functional English.
- ELP 015A, Introductory Composition (3 s.h.): Basic writing for students with very limited English proficiency, focusing on development of formal genres.

Upon successful completion of the Beginner Level, students transition to the Advanced Level.

ELP Advanced Level

The ELP Advanced Level, which includes five courses, takes place on our campus in Hempstead, New York. In addition to the four required courses listed below, students enroll in an elective course chosen in consultation with an academic advisor. This program allows students to earn six credits toward the bachelor’s degree.

- ELP 021, Reading Comprehension (3 s.h.): Development of academic reading skills in the various disciplines.
- ELP 023B, Oral Communication (3 s.h.): Development of the ability to communicate orally through discussion and role play. Focus on speech functions related to stating facts, challenging opinions, and reporting information.
- ELP 024B, Language Lab and Tutorial (3 s.h.): Supervised lab work and individualized tutorial using Hofstra’s multimedia facilities.
- ELP 025, Composition (3 s.h. with degree credit): Development of expository writing skills, idiomatic usage, and argumentative strategies.
- Elective (3 s.h. with degree credit): Chosen in consultation with an academic advisor.

Upon successful completion of the Advanced Level, students transition to fully matriculated status at the University.
Estimated Undergraduate and Graduate Costs for 2017-2018

Students required to take ELP courses are responsible for summer, spring and/or fall tuition, fees, housing and dining costs (if living on campus), and health insurance. Students should also factor into their budget books, supplies, travel, etc. Rates typically increase an average of 4.5 percent per year. Visit hofstra.edu/tuitionandfees for a breakdown of costs.

UNDERGRADUATE

Summer Option (6 weeks)
Undergraduate Tuition and Fees: $16,683
Room/Housing (high-rise, double room): $3,087
Summer Laundry Fee: $20
Board/Meals (summer plan; visit hofstra.edu/dining for all available dining plans): $500
Other Costs (including transportation, books, supplies and health insurance): $838

Fall/Spring Option (15 weeks)
Undergraduate Tuition and Fees: $21,980
Room/Housing (high-rise, double room; includes unlimited laundry access): $5,110
Board/Meals (level 5 plan; visit hofstra.edu/dining for all available dining plans): $2,115
Health Insurance: $718.50
Books and Supplies: $500
Incidentals, including transportation: $1,025

GRADUATE

Summer Option (6 weeks)
Graduate Tuition and Fees (based on 9 s.h.) : $11,293
Room/Housing (high-rise, double room): $3,087
Summer Laundry Fee: $20
Board/Meals (summer plan; visit hofstra.edu/dining for all available dining plans): $500
Other Costs (including transportation, books, supplies and health insurance): $1,066

Fall/Spring Option (15 weeks)
Graduate Tuition and Fees (based on 9 s.h.): $11,918
Room/Housing (Graduate Residence Hall, double room; includes unlimited laundry access): $7,445
Board/Meals (level 5 plan; visit hofstra.edu/dining for all available dining plans): $2,115
Health Insurance: $718.50
Books and Supplies: $500
Incidentals, including transportation: $1,025

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