

English as a Second Language

- Free Resource & Contacts -

Fall 2005

International House: (Tel: 684-3585)

1. **Duke Language Partners Program:** A unique program that pairs native English speakers with non-native speakers. Other languages are paired when possible. Participants meet for one or two hours per week at a convenient time and location throughout the *academic year*. You may wish to tutor someone who is learning your native language. Contact Alicia Wallace at 684-2512. Apply online:
<http://ihouse.studentaffairs.duke.edu/programs/intlstudents/languagepartners.html>
2. **English Conversation Club:** There is a new opportunity to improve your spoken English. Each Monday from 5:15-6:15, International House provides a casual, small-group setting in which all members of the Duke community—students, scholars, spouses, or staff—can practice conversational English. Registration and skill testing are not required, continued attendance is not necessary, and there is no homework outside of class. Please contact Patrick Morris (patrick.morris@duke.edu) for further information.
3. **Spouses Group English Hour:** An informal English Hour which meets each Thursday until the end of June from 10:30-11:30 at various Durham locations. Please contact Joanne Napoli at joanne.napoli@verizon.net for next semester's schedule.
4. **First Baptist Church Wives' Club:** First Baptist Church, in downtown Durham, holds social gatherings that include English classes and crafts for wives of internationals in the area. The group meets Tuesday mornings from early October to May. Transportation and childcare are provided. Contact Angie Waters at angiewaters@earthlink.com.
5. **ESL Resource Library:** Grammar books to improve English are available to borrow from International House. For TOEFL information go to: www.toefl.org

Duke University

1. **The American Experience:** Offered through Durham Technical Community College on the Duke Campus, students can practice and polish their English conversation skills as they compare and contrast various world cultures with US American society. The emphasis is on listening and speaking skills; there is some reading and minimal writing. The Fall 2005 class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 pm, the room is to be determined. The class starts on September 6 and ends on December 8th. Come at 6:15 if you are new and need to register. If you have more question call the ESL office at 686-3357.
2. **Duke Office of Continuing Education:** Offers several intensive ESL classes in speaking and writing for a fee. Call the Office of Continuing Education at 684-6259 or www.learnmore.duke.edu/register
3. **English for International Students (EIS):** English classes for graduate students *only*. Composition, written & oral communication, testing. Contact: Maria Parker at 613-8125 or maria.parker@duke.edu.
4. **Language Labs:** English language tapes and SCOLA (TV news from over 40 countries) are available, 114 Foreign

Language Building, 660-3179 (West Campus) and 101 Carr Building, 684-3767 (East Campus).

5. **Periodical Room:** (West Campus) Perkins Library has newspapers from all over the world.

In The Durham Area:

1. **Durham Technical Community College:** offers free courses in *English as a Second Language* (ESL) for beginning, intermediate and advanced adult students. However, classes are on a "first-come, first-served" basis. All new students must first take a placement exam. The testing usually starts in Nov for spring and July for fall. To register and to obtain more information about the ESL programs, call #686-3357 or email to Karin Abell, ESL Coordinator at abelk@durhamtech.edu. Also, visit www.durhamtech.edu
2. **Durham County Literacy Council:** Classes for the fall will begin on August 22, 2005. Registration and placement testing for fall classes will take place every Tuesday afternoon from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. beginning July 5, 2005. The classes will take place at Kestrel Heights School at 1915 Chapel Hill Road. 2119 Chapel Hill Road.
For more information, or if you have any questions, please call 919-489-8383, or come by the ESOL office weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
3. **Durham County Library:** On Monday nights 7-8:30pm in the 3rd floor Conference Room. For beginners. English conversation group will give you the opportunity to discuss your experiences as a new resident, share info, ask questions, and practice speaking English. You will also find books, workbooks and audiovisual ESL resources. Free. Contact Judith Quijano at 560-0517 or Project Lift at the Downtown Branch, 300 N Roxboro. 560-0100. Call first!
4. **Immaculate Conception Catholic Church:** Free. Contact Mary Siedow at 493-4490 or mdsiedow@bpir.duke.edu. 810 W. Chapel Hill Street.

Classes, times and locations are subject to change without notice. Contact I-House for updated info.

N.C. Intensive English Language Programs

1. **Interlink Language Center** University of North Carolina Greensboro. <http://www.uncg.edu/ipg/interlink/>
2. **ELS Language Centers** at Queens College, (Charlotte) www.petersons.com/elp/sites/21179el.html
3. **NC State University** (Raleigh) The English Language Program July-August. www.ncsu.edu
4. **Summer English Language Institute Worldwide** – Warren Wilson College (Asheville) <http://www.warren-wilson.edu/~esl/seli1001.htm>