



**CORNERSTONE**  
International Community College of Canada

- » Intensive English
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**morning & evening classes**

**ESL Program**  
Study English in Vancouver



Our programs are committed to helping students improve their communication skills and knowledge of the English language through a dynamic, fun classroom environment that explores a broad range of relevant, local and timely topics. Cornerstone provides English courses that are approachable, professional and tailored to the specific needs of the students.

### **Intensive ESL Program**

Our ESL program offers twelve levels of English which allows each student to start learning from their current level of proficiency. We offer full time and part time classes.

Start date: monthly • Duration: 4-48 weeks • 25 /12.5 hours/week

### **Advanced ESL Program**

Our Advanced English as a Second language Program is designed to enhance English acquisition with a particular emphasis on academic English skills to increase the likelihood of success in a work setting or/and academic studies at post-secondary institutions in Canada.

Start date: September, January & May • Duration: 16 weeks • 12.5 hours/week

### **CELPIP Preparation Program**

The CELPIP test is a four-skill (listening, reading, writing, and speaking) English language proficiency test commonly used for immigration purposes. Our CELPIP preparation program is designed to help test applicants better understand and practice the test format to maximize their performance on the test day.

Start date: monthly • Duration: 4 weeks • 17.5 hours/week

## **Cornerstone Class Characteristics**

- › Multicultural
- › Small class sizes, average 6-8 students
- › Flexible and convenient for varying degrees of English language proficiency
- › Teachers with many years of teaching experience
- › High quality program that provides the fastest way to improve English and adapt to local life



# Intensive ESL Program

(beginner – intermediate – advanced)

## › Admission Requirements

There is no minimum English level required for admission to the ESL program. Before starting classes, all students must take the Cornerstone English Placement test to determine the student's current level of English.

# Advanced ESL Program

(Cornerstone level 6 or above required)

## › Admission Requirements

Cornerstone English Placement Test Level 6 or equivalent.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this program the successful student will have reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- ★ Develop public speaking skills and the ability to negotiate
- ★ Participate in everyday discussions and lead question-answer sessions with confidence
- ★ Be able to write effectively with a strong grammatical structure
- ★ Identify features of excellent writing
- ★ Be able to understand and read complex texts fluently
- ★ Expand the use of vocabulary

# CELP/IP Preparation Program

## › Admission Requirements

Minimum age 15; any applicants under 19 years of age require parent's permission.

## › Program Description

This program is based on monthly courses that allow the students to rapidly improve their English skills. It covers all four aspects of the English language: speaking, listening, reading and writing, with a particular focus in grammar. The student will begin the course at the most suitable level for their ability, and advance one level every consecutive month. We recommend that students take 4-6 months to achieve significant improvement; and for those students with a minimum knowledge of the English language we recommend 8-12 months of studies.

## › Program Description

The Advanced English as a Second Language Program is tailored to help students improve their everyday use of the language in a professional environment, as well as for those wanting to pursue academic studies. This program is designed to enhance English acquisition with a particular emphasis on academic English skills by the study of literature and an advanced approach to reading, writing, speaking and listening. It is aimed at providing opportunities to learn and refine English skills coupled with useful real Canadian resources.

## › Program Description

The CELPIP preparation program is tailored to assist test takers to maximize their performance and better understand the test format. The program focuses on language skills and test-taking strategies so that candidates can demonstrate their true level of English language proficiency on the test day.

# Cornerstone English Level Equivalencies

CORNERSTONE	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	CAMBRIDGE
6.5	7	94-101	CAE
6	6.5	79-93	-
5.5	6	60-78	-
5	5.5	46-59	FCE
4.5	5	35-45	-
4	4.5	32-34	-
3.5	4	-	PET
3	-	-	-
2.5	-	-	-
2	-	-	-
1.5	-	-	-
1	-	-	-

MINIMUM  
REQUIRED  
FOR OUR  
DIPLOMA  
PROGRAMS

## Intensive ESL Program

Our core curriculum covers 12 general levels of instruction (one level per month).

### Beginner

- Level 1
- Level 1.5

### Intermediate

- Level 4
- Level 4.5

### High Beginner

- Level 2
- Level 2.5

### High Intermediate

- Level 5
- Level 5.5

### Low Intermediate

- Level 3
- Level 3.5

### Advanced

- Level 6
- Level 6.5

This chart is intended only as a reference and general guide and is not meant to provide exact equivalencies.



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