



MacEwan
UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF CONTINUING
EDUCATION

ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE



» [MacEwan.ca/EAL](https://www.macewan.ca/EAL)

If you are interested in upgrading your high school courses to get into a goal degree or diploma program, discover our University Preparation (UP) program. The UP program offers a full range of core high school equivalency courses. Funding is available for full-time and part-time students. Visit our website to learn more at

[MacEwan.ca/UP](https://www.macewan.ca/UP)



We acknowledge that the land on which we gather in Treaty Six Territory is the traditional gathering place for many Indigenous people. We honour and respect the history, languages, ceremonies and culture of the First Nations, Métis and Inuit who call this territory home.

A portrait of Dr. Heather McRae, a woman with short brown hair, smiling. She is wearing a black blazer over a white and grey patterned top. The background is a blurred indoor setting.

A WORD FROM THE DEAN

DR. HEATHER MCRAE

The ability to communicate through written and spoken language allows us to improve our understanding of the world, create connections with others and share important information. Learning a new language can improve analytical skills and broaden perspectives about culture. Speaking more than one language allows for even greater connections in our personal lives as well as in employment, and is becoming increasingly important in this global society.

Learning a new language is not easy; at the School of Continuing Education, we understand this. Our instructors have specialized training as well as academic degrees to assist students with grammar, speaking, research skills and writing. There are many other supports available through our writing and student services.

Our classes are small, interactive and focused on the academic preparation skills students need to assist them with achieving their goals related to post-secondary programs and employment. Staff can assist them through the registration process and provide information related to funding support. We are here to support each student's educational journey and their decision to improve their academic skills in English.



CREDIT COURSES FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our English as an Additional Language (EAL/ESL) program is for intermediate to advanced English language learners. The intermediate levels help learners with general English skills. In the advanced levels, we teach academic reading, writing, listening, speaking, vocabulary and study skills. Students take these courses to develop their English skills to prepare for university studies, to re-enter a profession or to get a better job. The EAL program is open to domestic and international students.

LENGTH OF STUDY: 14 weeks per term

CLASSES: Monday through Friday

CLASS DELIVERY: In person, on campus

LOCATION: English as an Additional Language, Room 11-521, Allard Hall,
City Centre Campus, 11110 - 104 Avenue

STUDY OPTIONS: Full-time or part-time

INTAKE(S): Fall term (Sep-Dec), Winter term (Jan-Apr), Spring term (May-Aug)

Visit [MacEwan.ca/Admissions](https://macewan.ca/Admissions) for important dates and deadlines.

Admission Requirements

Visit [MacEwan.ca/EAL](https://macewan.ca/EAL) to review admission requirements in detail and confirm your eligibility for the program. Requirements are subject to change.

When applying to the program, students must provide proof of English language proficiency, such as:

- Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) scores
- Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC) reports
- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) results

The minimum English language proficiency score required to enter the EAL program is a score of CLB 5 in at least 2 areas (with no skill under 4), an overall IELTS score of 4.0 (with no skill under 3.5) or equivalent.

READING AND WRITING COURSES

**Some courses may have prerequisites. Visit our website for more information.
Course offerings are dependent on student enrolment and may not be offered every term.*

Intermediate Reading and Writing I

ERDW 081

Learn to develop reading skills through studying adapted text at the low-intermediate level.

Intermediate Reading and Writing II

ERDW 082

Learn from short narratives on common topics of interest.

Advanced Reading and Writing I

ERDW 083

Develop the reading and writing skills required to succeed in post-secondary education.

Advanced Reading and Writing II

ERDW 084

Develop reading and writing skills to ensure your comprehension and interpretation of complex English texts and vocabulary.

Reading and Writing for Academic Purposes

ERDW 085

This course is intended for students who require an academic level of English reading and writing for re-entry into a profession, entry into a high school upgrading program or entry into post-secondary education.

LISTENING AND SPEAKING COURSES

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Intermediate Listening and Speaking I

ESPL 081

Develop a level of oral fluency in English to help you to be successful if you choose to pursue further academic studies.

Intermediate Listening and Speaking II

ESPL 082

Develop greater clarity of oral expression, an ability to comprehend oral instructions and messages and an ability to paraphrase.

Advanced Listening and Speaking I

ESPL 083

Develop a variety of oral skills required to complete post-secondary coursework successfully.

Advanced Listening and Speaking II

ESPL 084

Improve your listening skills to be able to comprehend complex academic material such as university-level lectures.

Listening and Speaking for Academic Purposes

ESPL 085

This course is intended for students who require academic-level oral comprehension and fluency for post-secondary studies or high school upgrading.



The EAL program was an excellent start because I had the opportunity to practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing every day as well as communicate with classmates.

Natalia
Former EAL student

Natalia (she/her) enrolled in the EAL program in 2018 with the hopes of accelerating her language development with a full-time program. Natalia's goal was to eventually apply to the Library and Information Technology (LIT) program.

"I am so grateful that the EAL program helped me to improve my English skills. I really appreciate the support of professional and very helpful teachers, informational support, and support of my family and friends to accomplish my academic goal. The EAL program was an excellent start because I had the opportunity to practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing every day as well as communicate with classmates. Attending all classes of this intensive program and responsibly doing all assignments brought me huge educational progress and useful knowledge."

Natalia finished the EAL program in 2020 and is currently enrolled in her goal program, Library and Information Technology.



FOCUS COURSES

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Pronunciation I

EOPT 060

Intended for students at the high-beginning to low-intermediate level, this course covers segments, word stress, intonation in statements and questions, contractions and linking, as well as strategies for comprehensibility and checking for comprehension.

Pronunciation II

EOPT 061

Intended for students at the high-intermediate to advanced level, this course covers the concept of timed stress, specific types of stress, pausing, and intonation rules in various acts of speech, as well as strategies for comprehensibility and checking for comprehension.

Academic Vocabulary I

EOPT 064

This course is intended for students at the intermediate level who need to expand their academic vocabulary for further studies.

Academic Vocabulary II

EOPT 065

This course is intended for students at the advanced level who need to expand their academic vocabulary in preparation for further study.

Grammar I

EOPT 066

Intended for students at the low-intermediate to intermediate level, this course covers simple and progressive tenses, declarative, negative and interrogative sentences, word forms/word families and word order in simple, compound and some complex sentences.

Grammar II

EOPT 067

Intended for the high-intermediate to advanced student, this course covers complex sentences, clauses and phrases, passives and perfect tenses.

Research Writing

EOPT 068

This course prepares advanced-level EAL/ESL students for post-secondary studies by taking them through all the stages of writing a research essay from topic development through writing, referencing and presenting the paper.



HOW TO APPLY

Step 1: Check your eligibility for the program

Visit the How to Apply page at [MacEwan.ca/EAL](https://macewan.ca/EAL) and confirm that you meet the English language proficiency (ELP) requirements and have the acceptable document for proof of English language proficiency.

*Visit [MacEwan.ca/Admissions](https://macewan.ca/Admissions) for application dates and deadlines for the EAL program.

Step 2: Apply online

Apply online at [MacEwan.ca/EAL](https://macewan.ca/EAL) and click **APPLY NOW**.

You will be asked to log into (if you are a previous student) or register for (if you are a new student) a MacEwan University network account. Once you have completed the online application you will receive a MacEwan University email address and password to log into *myPortal.MacEwan.ca* where you can view the confirmation of your admission. International students must accept their offer and pay a \$1,000 deposit.

*All applicants will need to pay a **non-refundable** \$110 application fee.

Step 3: Placement and course registration

After successful admission, you will be contacted by an academic advisor from the EAL program. The advisor will place you in classes based on the English language level that matches your submitted English language proficiency scores. They will also help you register for classes and apply for funding if needed.

NOTE: Funding is available for domestic students only.

Step 4: Get started as a MacEwan student

Once you are registered, visit [MacEwan.ca/GettingStarted](https://macewan.ca/GettingStarted) to help prepare yourself for the start of term and learn more about MacEwan University and the School of Continuing Education. It is recommended that you become familiar with myStudentSystem and your MacEwan email account when preparing for your studies.

Our advising team is here to assist you with your post-secondary goals and education planning, answer your questions about funding and guide you through your term registration. Contact our office for more information.

FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

Students who are interested in a combination of English language preparation, academic upgrading and undergraduate courses for post-secondary admission may want to consider one of the Foundation programs. These programs are uniquely designed to help support students who are new to the post-secondary environment and will benefit from the progressive pathway to their goal program. It also includes the **Foundations 101 course**.

The Foundations 101 course helps students develop the critical skills needed to be successful in a post-secondary environment such as strategies for studying, organization, technology and how to manage student expectations.

The Alberta Foundation program is for domestic students and has funding available. MacEwan.ca/AFP.

The Foundation International program is for international students. MacEwan.ca/Foundation.

FUNDING PROCESS

Foundational Learning Assistance

Should you require financial assistance, you may be eligible for Foundational Learning Assistance funding. In order to apply for funding, you must already be admitted into the program and enrolled in classes.

NOTE: It is required to have a verified MyAlberta Digital ID to apply for funding online. If you do not already have an account please sign up for one as soon as possible as it can take several weeks to verify. Create an account at account.alberta.ca

Step 1: Check your eligibility

Check your full-time or part-time funding eligibility by visiting the Government of Alberta Foundational Learning Assistance Program website <https://www.alberta.ca/foundational-learning-assistance.aspx>

Step 2: Confirm your enrolment in the program

Students must first be admitted and registered into classes in the program before they can apply for funding. After your course registration is complete, you will fill out our Confirmation of Enrolment form.

Step 3: Receive email invitation to apply for funding online

You will receive an email invitation to apply for Foundational Learning Assistance from the Government of Alberta. Click **“Apply Now”** to access and submit your online funding application.

Step 4: Funding decision

You will receive your funding decision by email. The government will either provide you with an acceptance, a denial or a request for more information.

NOTE: Funding is not guaranteed; it is subject to the availability of funds each term and is subject to change.

Call the Foundational Learning Assistance Contact Centre at 780-427-3722 for more information or to ask about the status of your funding application.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY TEST PREPARATION

We now have NEW shorter 20-hour IELTS Writing and Speaking non-credit courses available Fall.

Our Language Proficiency Test Preparation courses are designed to prepare students to take the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test.

These courses are offered in the evenings to accommodate busy schedules. Each course is 4 weeks long and is priced at \$290. These courses are considered non-credit and are NOT eligible for funding.

IELTS Speaking

ESLG 060

This course is designed for students who are working towards a 6.5 or higher band in speaking.

IELTS Writing

ESLG 059

This course is designed for students who are working towards a 6.5 or higher band in writing.

Visit MacEwan.ca/IELTSPrep for more information.

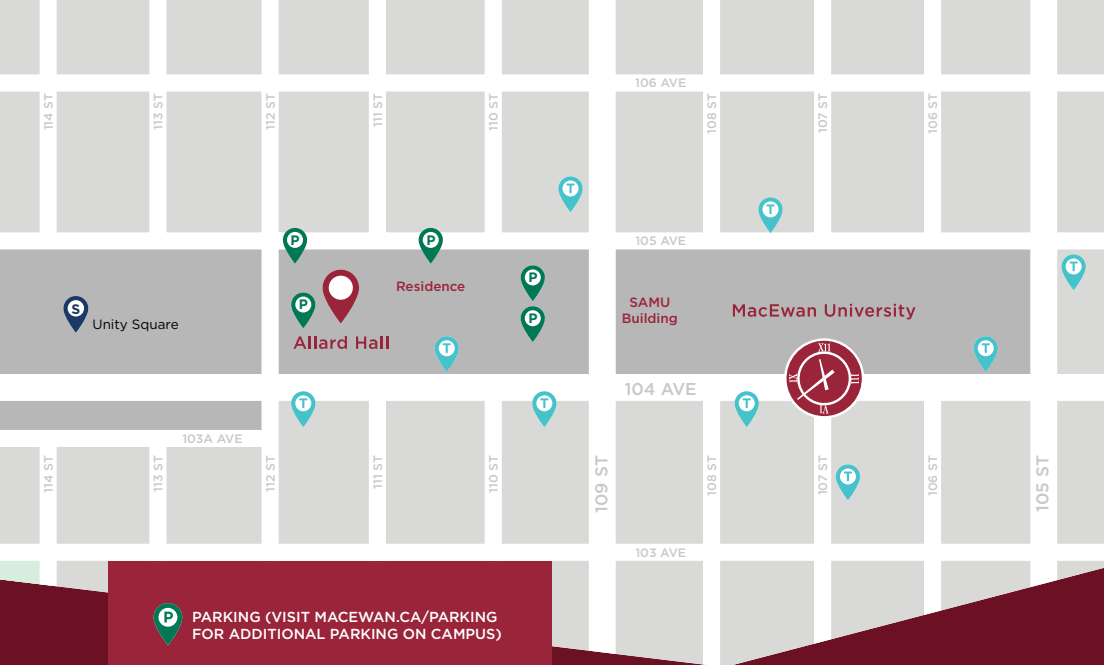
HOW TO REGISTER

You can register online at MacEwan.ca/IELTSPrep and add the courses to your online shopping cart.

If you need additional assistance, visit our office (English as an Additional Language, Room 11-521, Allard Hall, City Centre Campus).

**Note: Foundational Learning Assistance funding is not available for IELTS Speaking and IELTS Writing.*





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