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UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER
ESL ACADEMY





"We live in a truly global community these days, and the more we can understand and embrace these changes by pursuing a second language and actually learning to adjust to a new culture the better positioned we will be in the marketplace."

Gabriel Mattioda, Brazil,
ESL Academy graduate
and MBA student



ENGLISH IMMERSION

ENTER THE ESL ACADEMY at the University of Colorado Denver and discover a new world of academic, cultural, and social opportunities. English immersion at the ESL Academy facilitates English fluency and ensures academic success in degree programs.

WHY ENGLISH IMMERSION?

Students at the Academy are surrounded with English. Other languages are not spoken inside the school. The classroom experience is enhanced through contact with peers from around the world; friendships and future business contacts are developed here. Local students gain understanding about different cultures and learn more about today's changing societies and developing global workforce by engaging with international students.

English immersion at the ESL Academy facilitates this experience for students by nurturing the growth of English fluency and ensuring academic success in degree programs. To help students, native English speakers practice conversation with students every day during lunchtime, before classes begin, and after classes end. By learning and socializing in English five hours each day, students quickly acquire the language skills they need for the university and establish friendships and contacts that last a lifetime.



"It's what I want as a teacher; to not only have students practice English while learning about U.S. culture, but also to be excited about living here in Colorado during school. The academy, this university, and this beautiful state have so much to offer."

ESL Specialist, CU Denver ESL Academy

BEFORE DEGREE PROGRAMS AT UNIVERSITY

PATHWAYS ADVISING

Staff at the ESL Academy work closely with the International Admissions (IA) team to ensure you make a successful transition from being an Academy student to a degree-seeking candidate at the University of Colorado Denver.

- Upon arrival, you will meet individually with the Director to map out your individualized study plan.
- You will receive a 30-minute orientation on University of Colorado Denver degree programs and instructions on the university application process.
- IA and ESL Coordinators will monitor your application and academic progress to make sure you are on track to graduate on-time and pursue your degree program of choice.
- Once you have been conditionally admitted, you will meet with ESL staff once per term to assess your performance and monitor your progress.
- ESL and IA staff are available to assist you with your application, including help with your personal essay, references, and transcript requests.

If at any time you have questions, comments, or concerns about your application to a degree program at the University of Colorado Denver, our doors are always open for you.

Dalal, Kuwait,
ESL Academy graduate





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SCHEDULE AND CLASSES

23 hours / week

5 hours a day Monday – Thursday

Friday afternoons free

Intensive English classes at the ESL Academy are designed for university-bound students. Grammar, reading, writing, and listening / speaking classes are tailored to each student's major at the university. Other classes such as "Rhetoric and Logic," "Vocabulary and Spelling," and "Voice Coaching and Accent," support a student's successful transition into academic culture.

TYPICAL CLASS SCHEDULE

9:00 – 9:50 a.m.	Grammar
10:00 – 10:50 a.m.	Writing
11:00 – 11:50 a.m.	Reading
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch and conversation hour with native speakers
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Listening / Speaking





"In the U.S., there isn't anything called 'difficult'. My teacher always makes it easy for us. Even though it seems hard, it becomes easy when she explains it."

Habib Alsebea, ESL Academy Student

HELPING STUDENTS SUCCEED

A modern, new educational space, the ESL Academy has "smart" classrooms, two computer labs, fun social areas for students to hang out and write on erasable walls, a student resource library, and two large study rooms for students to complete their homework or practice conversations with native English speakers.

The ESL Academy is committed to helping students succeed – through a focus on academic writing, critical thinking skills development, and the friendly ESL Specialists who create a warm, welcoming environment. An admissions pathway into the University of Colorado Denver is supported throughout the life of a student's academic career at the university.

At the ESL Academy, you can say "goodbye" to the TOEFL, and "hello" to the University of Colorado Denver!

Content-Based Instruction

Content-based instruction specific to business, engineering, architecture, education, medicine, and science fosters academic excellence degree programs and future careers.

Summer Intensive

Study in Colorado during your summer vacation for 2-4 weeks. Learn academic study skills, practice public speaking and research writing, and explore the Colorado outdoors. Contact us for more information on how to customize a small group experience.

Learning Adventures in Colorado

English language immersion continues outside the classroom through learning adventures in art, science, and history museums, visits to beautiful landmarks sites, and community activities.

"Have you ever had a dream and made it happen? The ESL Academy will make you the best English speaker you can possibly be – and the very best student."

Anwar Ali, ESL Academy graduate



PROFILE OF AN ESL ACADEMY GRADUATE

ESL Academy graduates:

- are able to write a 10-page research paper using APA or MLA formatting
- can present research effectively using technology to a large audience
- know the scholarly requirements in their American degree-program
- write accurate essays in the American academic style
- use culturally appropriate interpersonal skills to make friends
- are familiar with the University of Colorado Denver buildings, resources, and student services



Dmitry, Russia,
ESL Academy student



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As one of America's top accredited academic and health sciences institutions, the University of Colorado Denver holds more than 40 specialized accreditations and offers unique options for customizing degree programs. You can choose from more than 130 degree programs such as urban design, business, engineering, pre-medicine, and pharmacy throughout 13 schools and colleges. Small class sizes ensure personalized attention. More than \$420+ million is awarded annually in research funding, and students from 130 countries have been represented at the university.

Study in Denver, Colorado, a thriving city centrally located in the United States. Home to one of the nation's best international airports and one of its strongest city economies, Denver is a great place to gain an exceptional education.



TOP ACADEMIC
RANKINGS

CLEAN MOUNTAIN
ENVIRONMENT






- Flexible enrollment dates five times a year
- TOEFL and IELTS waiver for CU Denver degree programs
- Highly qualified instructors
- Pathways advising for college programs and services

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The colorful illustrations used throughout this brochure can be found throughout the new, modern, spacious classrooms and hallways of the ESL Academy. We're looking forward to your arrival.