

English Language Classes & Conversation Groups



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Please contact these organizations to confirm class dates and locations before you go.

Asian American Community Services

Address: 4700 Reed Road, Suite B, Upper Arlington 43220

Website: aacsohio.org/community-education

Contact: Pyowook Han. Call 614-220-4023, ext. 227, or e-mail phan@aacsohio.org.

Classes: The "English Can Be Fun" ESL program offers help with reading, writing, listening and speaking at five different levels from basic to advanced. Classes are offered Monday - Friday. Contact AACCS for class schedule and registration information.

Cost: \$25 per eight-week session

More: Registration required.

The Bridge Community Center

Address: 3750 Sullivant Avenue, Columbus 43228

Website: thebridge.io

Contact: Call 614-272-4929, or e-mail Jacque Mize at jacque@thebridge.io.

Classes: Conversation class meets Mondays at 9:45 am. English classes are offered on four levels and meet Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Classes begin in August and run through the end of May. Students may join a conversation class any time; English classes start in August and January. Math and citizenship classes are also available.

Cost: Conversation class is free. English classes cost \$40, which includes the purchase of a workbook, a skills book, a phonics book and two readers.

More: Students need to register and take an English skills assessment before beginning classes.

Church of the Good Shepherd United Methodist

Address: 6176 Sharon Woods Boulevard, Columbus 43229

Website: goodshepherdum.org

Contact: Church office phone: 614-891-5043. Information in Spanish and Portuguese: call Pastor Beline at 614-394-8157. For more information, contact program coordinator Stan Fawley at 614-891-3483 or e-mail slfa1@yahoo.com.

Classes: Classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm. Homework help for elementary school students and nursery care for young children is available during class time. Adult classes usually conclude with a prayer and information about Camino Nuevo activities. Children's activities generally include a short Bible study.

Cost: Free

More: You may join the class at any time.

Columbus Literacy Council

Address: 92 Jefferson Avenue, Columbus 43215

Website: columbusliteracy.org

Contact: Call 614-282-7661 to speak to someone regarding registration, or use the direct link online to register for classes at columbusliteracy.org.

Classes: "English to Excel (E2E)" is intended for individuals who are learning or improving English language skills. It focuses on mastering the language of everyday life in the U.S. Classes are taught by volunteers at many locations in the Columbus area, and meet daytimes, evenings and weekends. Columbus Literacy Council also offers a class on preparing for citizenship.

Cost: \$50, which includes an enrollment fee plus books.

More: You must register and attend an orientation session before starting class. Orientations are held several times each month and last 2 - 3 hours. Call 614-282-7661 for help registering for a nearby orientation and class.

Columbus Public Schools Adult and Community Education

Address: Adult and Community Education Center, 2323 Lexington Avenue, Columbus 43211

Website: ccsoh.us/ace.aspx

Contact: Call 614-365-6468, ext. 261, or e-mail tharry2373@columbus.k12.oh.us.

Classes: Certified English teachers lead classes at many levels from beginning to advanced. Classes include listening, speaking, reading, writing and basic citizenship. Classes meet at a variety of locations throughout the city. Classes begin in September. New students are accepted monthly thereafter.

Cost: Free

More: You must attend an orientation session before starting class. Contact the Adult and Community Education Center for orientation dates and times.

Columbus State Community College Center for Workforce Development

Address: Center for Workforce Development, 315 Cleveland Avenue, Room 1090, PO Box 1609, Columbus 43215

Website: csc.edu/workforce/langinst

Contact: Call 614-287-5858, or e-mail cwddreg@csc.edu.

Classes: Columbus State offers non-academic credit, basic English at nine levels from low beginning to high intermediate. In each course, students work on reading, writing, vocabulary, listening and speaking skills. Classes meet at both the Columbus and Delaware campuses.

Cost: \$160 for an 8-week class.

More: New students need to take a placement test before registering for classes. Contact the Center for Workforce Development for testing dates and times.

Conversational English Group

Address: Indianola Presbyterian Church, 1970 Waldeck Avenue at East 18th Street (near the OSU campus), Columbus 43201

Contact: E-mail Barbara Groseclose at groseclose.1@osu.edu.

Classes: International residents and students gain proficiency in spoken English while discussing a variety of topics in an informal group setting. The group meets year-round on Thursdays from 5 - 7 pm.

Cost: Free

More: No registration required. Join the group at any time.

Crossing Community Church

Address: 4770 Britton Parkway, Hilliard 43026

Website: crossingcommunity.org

Contact: E-mail Deborah Oliphant at debraoliphant@sbcglobal.net.

Classes: Beginning, intermediate and advanced classes are offered Sundays from 9:30 - 10:30 am. English lessons based on the Bible begin at 11 am on Sundays.

Cost: Free

More: No registration required.

Delaware Area Career Center

Address: 4565 Columbus Pike, Delaware 43015

Website: delawareareacc.org/adult-education/services/courses/ablededesol

Contact: Call 740-203-2267.

Classes: Certified English teachers offer classes at four different locations in Delaware County. An online ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) class is available 24/7 for students with access to the Internet.

Cost: Free

More: You must complete an orientation before attending class or being eligible to study online. Orientations are held monthly. Call the Delaware Area Career Center ABL Office at 740-203-2267 for a convenient date and time. You can also find orientation times and locations on DACC's website.

Dominican Learning Center

Address: 1111 East Stewart Avenue, Columbus 43206

Website: domlearningcenter.org

Contact: Call 614-444-7330 or e-mail lmendoza@oppeace.org.

Classes: Dominican Learning Center volunteers offer one-to-one English tutoring at many locations, including area libraries. Times and locations are arranged by students and their tutors.

Cost: Tutoring is free. Students purchase textbooks.

More: New students need to sign up for a free, one-hour assessment of their English skills before being assigned to a tutor. Contact the Dominican Learning Center to schedule an assessment.

Faith Community Church

Address: 5762 Wilcox Road, Dublin 43016

Website: fccdublin.com/ministries/english-conversation

Contact: E-mail Amy Bachmeier at amybachmeier@earthlink.net, or call 614-599-7729.

Classes: Small groups of 2-3 women meet on Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm for conversation, knowledge of American culture and friendship. Women only.

Cost: Free

More: You may join the group at any time, but you must register first.

The Godman Guild

Address: 303 East Sixth Avenue, Columbus 43201
Website: godmanguild.org/esol
Contact: Call Joe Wilson at 614-580-5148, or e-mail joe.wilson@godmanguild.org.
Classes: English classes are self-paced and tailored to meet the needs of the individual. Free babysitting available for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years during class times.
Cost: Free
More: You must attend an orientation before beginning classes. Call for orientation dates and times and current class schedule.

Grace Church of Powell

Address: 7600 Liberty Road North, Powell 43065
Website: gracechurchpowell.org
Contact: Call Sandy Farner at 614-638-3137.
Classes: English classes from beginning to advanced. Classes meet Mondays from 7-9 pm. Childcare provided.
Cost: \$15 for textbooks.
More: No advance registration required. Join a class any time throughout the year.

Grace Polaris Church

Address: 8225 Worthington Galena Road, Westerville 43081
Website: gracepolaris.org
Contact: E-mail Dan Green at dan.green@gracepolaris.org.
Classes: Grace Polaris offers beginner, intermediate and advanced classes beginning in September. Classes meet on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 pm. Childcare is available for infants through age 4. School-aged children may attend the Awana program of activities and Bible stories.
Cost: \$20 for books. (The Awana program for children costs \$50 per student for the year.)
More: Registration is required.

INCH (International Neighborhood Coffee House)

Address: University Baptist Church, 50 West Lane Avenue, Columbus 43201
Website: inchcolumbusesl.org
Contact: Call 614-294-6333, or e-mail inchcolumbusesl@gmail.com.
Classes: International Neighborhood Coffee Hour is a program for women that offers language study, friendship and a place to discover how life in the U.S. works. INCH program is staffed by volunteers who provide tutoring at the right level for every woman who attends. Classes meet on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 am from September through May. Preschool children are welcome.
Cost: Free
More: Registration is not necessary. Join the group at any time.

Ohio Hispanic Coalition

Address: Classes meet at 3556 Sullivant Avenue, Suite 107, Columbus 43204
Website: ohiohispaniccoalition.org
Contact: Call the main office at 614-840-9934.
Classes: Basic English classes that also cover material used in U.S. Citizenship tests. Classes meet on Saturdays from 11 am-1 pm for eight weeks.
Cost: Free
More: Registration is required. Call 614-840-9934.

Smoky Row Brethren Church

Address: 7260 Smoky Row Road, Columbus 43235
Website: smokyrow.org
Contact: Call 614-889-5224, or e-mail office@smokyrow.org.
Classes: Beginning English classes meet Sundays from 9:15-10:15 am.
Cost: Free
More: No registration required. Join a class at any time.

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

Address: 10700 Liberty Road South, Powell 43065
Website: stj Joanofarcpowell.org
Contact: Call 614-761-0905.
Classes: Study in a small group with a tutor on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 pm.
Cost: Free
More: No registration required. Join a class at any time.

Tolles Career and Technical Center

Address: Classes meet at UALC The Church at Mill Run, 3500 Mill Run Drive, Hilliard 43026
Website: tollestech.com/adult-education/able-esol-ged
Contact: Call 614-873-4666, ext. 4248.
Classes: Certified teachers help adults improve their skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening. Participants will also learn about American customs and culture, as well as U.S. history. Tutors may be available for one-on-one instruction. Childcare is available, provided by Serving Our Neighbors (SON) Ministries. Classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 pm.
Cost: Free
More: You must attend an orientation before attending class. Call for orientation dates.

Upper Arlington Public Library - Main Library

Address: 2800 Tremont Road, Upper Arlington 43221
Website: ualibrary.org
Contact: Call 614-486-9621.
Classes: ESOL Current Events Discussion Group. Volunteer Vivian Harvey leads a weekly discussion about current news events for non-native English speakers to help develop speaking and reading comprehension skills. Classes meet in the fall and spring on Tuesdays at 10 am.
Cost: Free
More: Registration required. Call the library to register.

Upper Arlington Public Library - Lane Road Branch

Address: 1945 Lane Road, Upper Arlington 43220
Website: ualibrary.org
Contact: Call 614-459-0273.
Classes: "Let's Speak English" meets on Mondays from 1-2 pm. Volunteers help small groups practice speaking English. No summer classes.
Cost: Free
More: No registration required.

Vineyard Community Center - Vineyard Church of Columbus

Address: 6000 Cooper Road, Westerville 43081
Website: vineyardcommunitycenter.org
Contact: Call 614-259-5500.
Classes: Volunteers lead classes on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10-11:30 am. Evening classes meet on Tuesdays from 7-9 pm. Free childcare is available for Tuesday evening classes only. No summer classes. (Note: The Delaware Area Career Center also offers classes at this location, with different teachers and curriculum. Please see the earlier Delaware Area Center listing for more information.)
Cost: Free. Participants are encouraged to purchase a textbook.
More: Registration required. Call the Vineyard or register online.

Worthington Libraries - Old Worthington Library

Address: 820 High Street, Worthington 43085
Website: worthingtonlibraries.org
Contact: Call 614-807-2626, or e-mail jmaier@worthingtonlibraries.org.
Classes: English Conversation Group participants work with library staff to improve their understanding and fluency in spoken American English. Opportunities to discuss a variety of topics are supplemented with brief listening and pronunciation practice. Join the group at any time to meet new friends and talk about cultural differences in an informal setting. Sessions meet year-round with short breaks in December, late May and late August.
Cost: Free
More: No registration required. Join the group any time.



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· WORTHINGTON PARK LIBRARY 1389 WORTHINGTON CENTRE DRIVE

· 614.807.2626

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· worthingtonlibraries.org

