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“Amazing things happen when you get the whole world in one classroom! Every day I’m impressed, inspired and delighted by students who are finding their voice in English.”

Jennifer Harris, award-winning instructor who has taught English since 1991, is a member of the Canadian National Women’s Dragonboat Team.



ACHIEVE MORE

English Language Program

Let our English Language Program help you achieve your goals. Whether you are studying to advance your career or your academics, we can help you build on your existing skills and relate more to the Canadian culture around you.

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In order to fulfill our mission to provide relevant and innovative programming, we renew and design programming throughout the year. We may have courses or information that could not be included at time of printing. As a result, information in this calendar may change at any time. While the School of Continuing Studies aims to ensure completeness and accuracy, please note that we reserve the right to change the information herein.

Please visit our website, learn.utoronto.ca, for the most up to date details on programs, courses and certificates.

Achieve More

Around the world, English language skills open doors to professional, academic and personal success. Our classes focus on refining your communication skills for achievement in an academic, professional or personal environment. With over 50 years of experience teaching English, our internationally respected program enriches more than 2000 students per year from over 60 nations.

Join us as an international student looking to further your studies or improve your career opportunities.

Certificate in Academic English

Academic English

Full-Time (Intensive Day Courses):

SCS 0150 Academic English

A grade of B in Advanced (Level 60) Academic English meets the language facility requirements for admission to most undergraduate and graduate degree programs at the University of Toronto.

Certificates in Business English for International Professionals

Improve your business English to get the job you want, the promotion you deserve and earn certification from the University of Toronto School of Continuing Studies to help set you apart for employment and advancement. Two certificates develop critical language and communication skills needed for success.

Business English for International Professionals Certificate

This three course Certificate for non-native speakers of English with a high-intermediate to advanced level of English proficiency, focuses on the language and communication skills required for success in the Canadian workplace.

Certificate Requirements:

The Certificate can be pursued on a part-time basis and requires the successful completion of the following three (3) courses:

SCS 1121 Speaking Accurately

SCS 1337 Writing Essentials

SCS 0166 Pronunciation

NEW

Business English Advanced Certificate for International Professionals

Building on the skills acquired in the Business English for International Professionals this program for non-native speakers of English with advanced level proficiency will polish your use of business English and help you excel in demanding professional situations.

Certificate Requirements

The Certificate can be pursued on a part-time basis and requires the successful completion of the following three (3) courses:

SCS 1120 Professionally Speaking (recommended pre-requisite SCS 1121 Speaking Accurately)

SCS 1914 Professional Writing (recommended pre-requisite SCS 1337 Writing Essentials)

SCS 1241 Effective Communication and Negotiation (take this course last)

For more information see the Business and Professional Studies Program Certificates pages 16-17 and courses for International Professionals pages 17-18.

Let us help you choose the course that fits your needs

Language Assessment

If you would like to know your current English language proficiency in speaking and/or writing, please register for one, or both, of the following diagnostic tests. Once you are registered we will contact you to arrange a convenient time and day for your assessment.

- Formal Writing Diagnostic Test: \$100 (plus GST)
- Formal Speaking Diagnostic Test: \$100 (plus GST)

Personal Consultation

If you would like to improve your language skills but are unsure which course is best for you, we can provide a personal consultation with one of our counselors. This service is offered free of charge and arranged at a time that is convenient for you.

If you have questions or would like to book a diagnostic test or a personal consultation, please contact us via e-mail at english@utoronto.ca or by telephone at 416-978-5104 or 416-978-2400.

New! Customized Teacher Training Programs

The University of Toronto's English Language Program can provide language instruction for teaching to customized groups of 10 or more. This customized program provides language instruction to teachers, specifically English as a Foreign Language (EFL) Teachers in order to improve their English language skills development (both competency and confidence) in the context of current and innovative teaching and learning approaches to English as a Foreign Language. In 6-8 week programs, participants will develop a customized teaching portfolio including resources and materials for their home classrooms.

Courses may also be designed for participants whose first language is not English but who need to lecture in English. Course length and content may be customized to your group.

To find out more about this program, please contact us at 416-978-5104 or learn.english@utoronto.ca.

English Language Program—Full Time

Academic English for University/College

Academic English

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

12 weeks (220 hours) Fee: \$4,750

SCS 0150-036	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am-1pm OR 1pm-5pm, 28 Sep to 18 Dec
SCS 0150-037	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am-1pm OR 1pm-5pm 11 Jan to 1 Apr
SCS 0150-038	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am-1pm OR 1pm-5pm 5 Apr to 25 Jun

PREREQUISITE: None

Study Academic English to help you get into the University of Toronto. A final grade of "B" in the highest level (Level 60) of Academic English meets the language facility requirement for degree studies on selected campuses of the University of Toronto. Develop your competency in all four skill areas (writing, reading, listening, speaking), as well as strategies in test-taking. Frequent workshops, weekly one-on-one meetings with your instructors, and immersion into the University of Toronto community will give you a language learning experience like no other. Earn a Certificate in Academic English.

Please see our website for learner outcomes and further details: learn.utoronto.ca/esl

Academic English: Post Level 60

For non-native speakers of English

This is an exciting new course designed for students who have passed Academic English, Level 60 with a final grade of B or higher. A highly interactive and personalized course, Academic English: – Post Level 60 will hone students' skills and increase their confidence as they approach their academic studies.

In-class: St. George Campus

12 weeks (220 hours) Fee: \$3,600

SCS 2029-007	Mon Tue Wed Fri, 9am-1pm OR 1pm-5pm, 28 Sep to 18 Dec
SCS 2029-008	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am-1pm OR 1pm-5pm 11 Jan to 1 Apr
SCS 2029-009	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am-1pm OR 1pm-5pm 5 Apr to 25 Jun

PREREQUISITE: Academic English, Level 60, final grade of B or higher

This highly interactive and personalized course is designed for students who have passed Academic English, Level 60 with a final grade of B or higher. You will increase your reading speed, further develop your academic vocabulary and improve your comprehension in the area of study you have chosen. You will be guided through independent projects related to your field of study to build your familiarity with reference materials and other resources you will be expected to know in your future university coursework. By leading and participating in seminars, you will gain confidence in your research, communication, and presentation abilities. Regular videotaping and feedback will be provided to address your individual strengths and areas for improvement.

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Languages Essentials

Business English

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

12 weeks (220 hours) Fee: \$3,600

SCS 2170-005	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm, 28 Sep to 18 Dec
SCS 2170-006	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm OR 1pm–5pm 11 Jan to 1 Apr
SCS 2170-007	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm OR 1pm–5pm 5 Apr to 25 Jun

PREREQUISITE: Academic English Level 60, or Comprehensive English at the High Intermediate or Advanced level, or the equivalent. Students whose placement test results do not meet the prerequisite will be transferred to Comprehensive English with a Business Focus.

This non-credit language course is geared for aspiring professionals with limited or no work experience. Business English is designed to improve your ability to communicate in English effectively with businesspeople and professionals and will focus on oral forms of communication, vocabulary and idioms, and the standards of behaviour of North American business. Specific business topics may include marketing, finance, investing in the stock market, economics, entrepreneurship, management, corporate ethics, and organizational structure.

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Comprehensive English

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

6 weeks (110 hours) Fee: \$2,350

SCS 0151-068	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9 am–1 pm, Sep 28 to Nov 6
SCS 0151-069	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm, 9 Nov to 18 Dec
SCS 0151-070	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm OR 1pm–5pm 11 Jan to 19 Feb
SCS 0151-071	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm OR 1pm–5pm 22 Feb to 1 Apr
SCS 0151-072	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri, 9am–1pm OR 1pm–5pm 5 Apr to 14 May

PREREQUISITE: None

Experience the best in language learning by studying in an open and diverse environment. Comprehensive English will change your expectations of what a language class is. Learn social conventions and conversation management strategies. Identify your individual strengths, weaknesses, and learn specific solutions that will help you attain your goals. Sharpen your language skills while learning English both in and out of the classroom. Choose a Focus class that meets your needs, such as Pronunciation, Business English, Writing and Grammar, and many more! Additional workshops and our popular afternoon Coffee Chat will round out your learning experience.

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Test Preparation

TOEFL iBT eCourse

For non-native speakers of English

Distance

Fee: \$1,600

SCS 2204-010	28 Sep to 23 Oct
SCS 2204-011	26 Oct to 20 Nov
SCS 2204-012	23 Nov to 18 Dec

PREREQUISITE: A high-intermediate or advanced proficiency level in English. You will be given an iBT sample test (reading and listening) to determine your level. You will also be asked to write an essay in order to help us assess your writing skills.

This is a non-credit course that will help you prepare for the TOEFL iBT. The course is designed to help you improve all four communication skills: reading, listening, writing, and speaking. You will also learn how to combine certain skills for the integrated tasks in the writing and speaking sections of the iBT. You will learn both test-taking and language strategies with the goal of improving your scores.*

Because there are no classes, you will be able to study on your own whenever you have time. The instructor is available to you through email on all working days. You will meet with the instructor once a week in order to get study materials. All teaching will be done through email. You will email your writing and speaking responses and receive individualized feedback from the instructor via email. Strategies customized to your specific needs will be taught to help you improve your writing and speaking. You will need to study approximately four hours every day and submit the assigned writing and speaking tasks on time.

NOTES: Enrolment in this course is limited. Students who do not achieve the minimum necessary score to gain entrance into this course will be counselled into another course.

*This is a language course whose purpose is to help you develop skills and learn strategies with which to improve your scores in the iBT. How well you learn these skills will depend on how consistently you practise them. We cannot guarantee high scores nor can we assure you of a specific outcome in the iBT test.

Customized Programs and In-House Training Programs

The English Language Program is a world leader in customizing courses for in-house training. We also welcome groups requiring custom designed courses with a focused need.

Contact us to find out what we can do for your group at 416-978-5104 or learn.english@utoronto.ca.

U of T Student Discount

Currently registered U of T degree students or Post-Doctoral Fellows can receive a discount of 25% on all English Language Program courses.

Please contact us at 416-978-5104 for details.

English Language Program—Part Time

Academic English for University/College

Academic Reading Strategies

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

4 meetings (12 hours) Fee: \$228

SCS 2293-001	Sat 9:30am–12:30pm, 24 Oct to 14 Nov
SCS 2293-002	Sat 9:30am–12:30pm, 16 Jan to 6 Feb
SCS 2293-003	Sat 9:30am–12:30pm, 20 Mar to 17 Apr

PREREQUISITE: A high-intermediate to advanced proficiency level in English.

Postsecondary study requires students to read and deconstruct a variety of texts. This course offers strategies for recognizing patterns in text organization and sentence structure; expanding your formal vocabulary; increasing your reading speed; and more.

Academic Speaking for Graduate Studies

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

10 meetings (30 hours) Fee: \$570

SCS 2295-001	Sat 9:30am–12:30pm, 26 Sep to 5 Dec
SCS 2295-002	Sat 9:30am–12:30pm, 30 Jan to 17 Apr
SCS 2295-003	Sat 9:30am–12:30pm, 10 Apr to 19 Jun

PREREQUISITE: An advanced proficiency level in spoken English.

This course will familiarize graduate students with the language and conventions used in seminar discussions so that

they can clearly and concisely summarize research findings, present analysis, support arguments, express ideas with precision and subtlety, and more.

Academically Speaking

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

10 meetings (30 hours) Fee: \$570

SCS 1913-004	Tue 6pm–9pm, 29 Sep to 1 Dec
SCS 1913-005	Wed 6pm–9pm, 27 Jan to 31 Mar
SCS 1913-006	Tue 6pm–9pm, 6 Apr to 8 Jun

PREREQUISITE: A high-intermediate to advanced proficiency level in spoken English.

Students will learn to interact with confidence in academic settings, ask and respond to questions, seek clarification, lead discussions, and debate topics in academic fields while learning tools and techniques for improving pronunciation and receiving feedback on their communication ability.

Academic Vocabulary Building

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

4 meetings (12 hours) Fee: \$228

SCS 2294-001	Mon 6pm–9pm, 28 Sep to 26 Oct
SCS 2294-005	Mon 9:30am–12:30pm, 22 Feb to 15 Mar

PREREQUISITE: A high-intermediate to advanced proficiency level in English.

This course teaches not just new words but skills and strategies for predicting and verifying meaning based on structure, form, and context; correctly using new phrases; and continuing to build your active vocabulary long after the course is finished.

Academic Writing

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

10 meetings (30 hours) Fee: \$570

SCS 1912-009 Thu 6pm–9pm, 24 Sep to 26 Nov
SCS 1912-010 Wed 6pm–9pm, 3 Feb to 14 Apr
SCS 1912-011 Thu 6pm–9pm, 15 Apr to 17 Jun

PREREQUISITE: A high-intermediate to advanced level in written English.

RECOMMENDED PREREQUISITE: Refine Your Grammar (SCS 1333)

Develop writing skills that can help you express your ideas and get better grades. Learn to plan, write, edit, and revise cohesive, well-developed, sophisticated pieces of academic writing using a wide range of grammatical and syntactic structures.

How to Write a Research Paper

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR(S): TBA

4 meetings (12 hours) Fee: \$228

SCS 2291-001 Tue 6pm–9pm, 20 Oct to 10 Nov
SCS 2291-002 Sat 9:30am–12:30pm,
 20 Feb to 13 Mar

PREREQUISITE: An advanced proficiency level in English.

This course teaches you how to write a research paper, explaining how to choose and define topics, find resources, organize materials, generate ideas, manage citations, avoid plagiarism, edit drafts, link ideas effectively, and more, to create concise, readable papers.

Spelling and Mechanics in English

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR(S): TBA

10 meetings (20 hours) Fee: \$380

SCS 2306-001 Wed 10am–12pm, 7 Oct to 9 Dec
SCS 2306-002 Wed 10am–12pm, 20 Jan to 24 Mar

This course helps you understand the rules of spelling, how spelling relates to the sound system of English, and mechanics (capitalization, punctuation, abbreviations, indentations, etc.). Course information can be useful for everyday correspondence, academic studies, and workplace writing.

Test Preparation

TOEFL Preparation

For non-native speakers of English

In-class: St. George Campus

INSTRUCTOR: TBA

10 meetings (30 hours) Fee: \$570

SCS 0161-051 Thu 10am–12pm,
 24 Sep to 26 Nov
SCS 0161-052 Thu 10am–12pm, 21 Jan to 25 Mar

This course will help you prepare for the TOEFL iBT. You will learn test-taking and language strategies, develop effective reading and listening skills, learn to identify main ideas and details in reading and listening, and experiment with different time-management strategies.

NOTE: Enrolment in this course is limited. Students who do not achieve the minimum necessary score to gain entrance into this course will be counselled into another course. How well students learn these skills will depend on how consistently they practice them. We cannot assure you of a specific outcome in the iBT test.

Enhance Your Career

If you are interested in general and/or business ESL courses, please see the Business and Professional Studies section on page 52.

The following courses are designed to help you optimize your workplace English skills.

SCS 2251	Basic Grammar for Writing & Speaking
SCS 2253	CanTEST Preparation
SCS 2250	English for Health Professionals
SCS 1908	Listening Strategies
SCS 2252	IELTS: International English Language Testing Service
SCS 1120	Professionally Speaking
SCS 1914	Professional Writing
SCS 0166	Pronunciation
SCS 1333	Refine Your Grammar
SCS 1911	Speak Up
SCS 1121	Speaking Accurately
SCS 2249	Spoken English for Managers & Supervisors
SCS 1337	Writing Essentials

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