

## **Intensive English Program Spring 2 2020 Registration**

Go to <u>istart.gatech.edu</u>, click **Language Institute Forms**, and click the **Language Institute Next Session Registration Form** to let us know your plans for the Spring 2 2020 IEP session.

You must submit the completed form no later than Friday, February 7.



Do you plan to study in the Spring 2 2020 IEP session?

<u>YES</u>: Submit the completed Language Institute Next Session Registration Form letting us know which course(s) you would like to take. Next, be sure to review the Next Session Pre-Registration Form and Payment Information\* document to review important information regarding tuition payment requirements and how to maintain your visa status if you have an F-1 student visa.

<u>NO</u>: Submit the completed **Language Institute Next Session Registration Form**. After submitting the completed form, be sure to review the **Next Session Pre-Registration Form and Payment Information\*** document for information regarding how to maintain your visa status if you have an F-1 student visa.

\* Next Session Pre-Registration Form and Payment Information document can be found online at esl.qatech.edu/current-students in the Academics section

Do you need help completing the Language Institute Next Session Registration Form? Go to <a href="mailto:esl.gatech.edu/current-students">esl.gatech.edu/current-students</a>. Then click the Need Help? box. Finally, click the Midterm Registration for Current IEP Students link in the Help section to see pictures showing how to complete the Language Institute Next Session Registration Form.

Come by the O'Keefe Building front desk or Room 108 if you have questions.



## Spring 2 2020 – Advanced Courses for Specific Purposes

#### American Literature (for level 500, 600 or 700)

In this course, you will enhance your understanding of U.S. culture by reading samples of classic and contemporary North American short stories, poems, plays, and novel excerpts. You will develop your ability to read, discuss, and analyze the settings, plots, and characters of various works while identifying the use of literary terms and devices. By independently and conscientiously completing at least three hours of weekly reading and vocabulary homework, you will increase both your active and passive vocabulary that may be encountered on standardized tests, in university classes, and in casual conversations. You will also see how some works of famous American literature have been brought to life on TV, in films, and on the stage.

#### **Service Learning for Sustainable Futures** (for level 500, 600 or 700)

Are you interested in getting **out of the classroom** and learning about **sustainability?** This course is for you! We mix reading up-to-date articles about ecology, economics, and social issues with discussion, a little writing and a lot of speaking and listening. Students will learn from exciting work at GATech in sustainability and have a chance to meet GATech students. To apply this learning, students will do 6-10 hours of community service, working with children **or** in the local environment (you will have choices).

#### **IELTS Preparation Plus** (for level 500, 600 or 700)

This course is designed to prepare students for the IELTS exam. There will be an overview of what to expect on the exam and a focus on effective techniques for completing the reading, writing, listening and speaking sections. Students will also take practice tests and will get individual feedback and advice from the instructor.

#### **Vocabulary Development for Standardized Tests** (for level 600 or 700)

Vocabulary acquisition is essential for students to succeed academically and to score well on standardized tests. The purpose of this course will be to enhance your vocabulary knowledge specifically related to test vocabulary and to develop skills for how to answer vocabulary questions on standardized tests. You will be exposed to 400 words that have been researched and found to be most common on standardized tests. You will learn pre-test strategies for how you can acquire vocabulary like by learning parts of speech and homonyms. You will also acquire during-test strategies for how you can answer vocabulary test questions when you know or do not know the word by utilizing context clues and inferences, for example. Lastly, you will increase your awareness of the various types of vocabulary questions.

## F1 Student SEVIS information

### **Traveling**

- o If you want to be authorized to travel <u>outside the US</u> for the break, complete a Travel Authorization Form on <u>istart.gatech.edu</u> and upload your roundtrip plane ticket. Then bring your <u>I-20</u> to the front desk. You should complete these steps <u>5 business days</u> before you need it. You can pick up your I-20 at the front desk within 2-3 business days.
- Only students who are in good standing at the time of the request will be authorized to travel.
- o If you are not in good standing (are on probation) you will be sent a letter for re-entry through email after grades are released if you return to good standing.
- o If you are not returning to the Language Institute, we cannot authorize you to come back into the country. If you decide to travel to another country after you finish studying you will not be able to re-enter the US on your student visa.

### Taking an Authorized Break

When a student has completed 9 consecutive months of study s/he is eligible to have a <u>1-session Authorized Break in Study</u>. The student is allowed to stay inside the U.S. during the break or travel outside the country.

- In order to take a break, the student must enroll for the session after the break during the preenrollment period of the current session.
- Complete the appropriate forms.
- o Pay the **non-refundable \$500 deposit** which will apply to the tuition for the next session.
- o Pay \$419.16 for insurance coverage during the break.

### **Transferring to a New School**

When a student <u>successfully completes</u> a level (maintains at least a C average, GPA 2.0 or above) at the Language Institute and wants to transfer to another school, there are several steps to complete. Information about transferring is available at the front desk.

- o Apply to another program.
- When the student receives an acceptance letter from the new school, student should complete a <u>Transfer</u> <u>Out Request Form</u> on <u>istart.gatech.edu</u> and upload a copy of the acceptance letter. A student (with a GPA of a 2.0 or higher) has **60 days** from the last day of the session to complete a transfer to a new school.
- o If a student is dismissed from the Language Institute, s/he will be terminated and have only **15 days to transfer.**
- o The Language Institute will transfer the student's record in SEVIS **after** the Acceptance Letter and the Transfer-Out Form have been received.
- o <u>It is the student's responsibility to make sure that the Language Institute has all required documents to complete the transfer within the given time frame.</u>

### **Returning Home**

- o If you would like to return home, you have 60 days to do so if you successfully completed your program (GPA 2.0 or above). You will need to leave the US on or before **April 28, 2020**.
- o If you did not successfully complete the session, you have 15 days to return home and need to leave the U.S. by March 14, 2020.

### **More Information**

If a student is in the U.S. with a completed or terminated SEVIS record, s/he is out of status. In order to remain in the U.S. and study again, reinstatement must be requested by the student to the US Department of Homeland Security. If the request for reinstatement is approved, the student's SEVIS record will be changed back to ACTIVE. Reinstatement costs \$370 and typically takes 3-5 months.

Questions? See Dawn Edwards in O'Keefe Room 108 or email dawn.edwards@pe.gatech.edu.

# Georgia Tech Intensive English Program

## **Spring 2 2020**

Payment Period: Monday, February 17 – Sunday, March 1
Late fees begin – Monday, March 2

## All must submit Next Session Registration form in iStart: February 5-7

3 Easy Steps to Register!

# 1. Complete the Future Plans in iStart now:

- Go to Language Institute Forms and choose Language Institute Next Session Registration Form.
- If you are an F1 student, know it is your responsibility to follow proper immigration procedures to transfer to another school or leave the US.
- If you do not let us know that you are returning to the Language Institute, we cannot guarantee you a place in the **Spring 2 2020** session.

## 2. Complete all outstanding immunization requirements:

- Each student has been sent a secure email from Stamps Health Services telling you if you have any incomplete medical requirements and what they are.
- Next step is to see Linda Dougherty to make an appointment.
- Go to your immunization appointment.

## 3. Make your payment:

### <u>Online Payments – See Attached Online Payment Instructions:</u>

- **1. Flywire** Pay from your home country in your local currency with an International Bank Wire or International Credit/Debit Card. There are no hidden processing fees.
- **2. Credit Card Payment** American Express, Visa, MasterCard, Discover. A 2.85% Processing Fee will be charged directly to your credit card account.
- 3. Online Electronic Check payment U.S. bank account required. No processing fee.

### **In-Person Payments - Money Order or Bank Check ONLY (No Cash):**

**4.** Money Order or Cashier's Check payment – Bring to Room 108

You must complete the online pre-registration in iStart, complete all medical requirements, and make your payment to complete your registration. Please note that you will need to complete the last requirements at least one week before the start of the session. If you do not complete all 3 steps, you will not receive a schedule for the Spring 2 2020 session.

## Language Institute – Spring 2 2020 Continuing Students Tuition, Fees & Registration/Payment Process

	<u>Phase 1 Payment</u> February 17-March 1	Phase 2 Payment Beginning March 2		
Full-Time Study				
(4 classes)				
Full-time tuition	\$2184	\$2284 (\$2184 + \$100 Late Fee)		
Mandatory Fees	Student Health Services \$88.00  Medical Insurance for F1 Visa Holders \$419.16  Computer Support Fee \$55.00			
Par-Time Study				
(1-3 classes)				
Tuition Per Class	\$546	\$571 (\$546 + \$25 Late Fee)		
<b>Mandatory Fees</b>	Computer Support Fed	e \$55.00		
Optional Fees	Student Health service	es \$88.00		
You must pay tuition and fees by March 9 in order to receive your schedule of classes.				

## **Refund/Deferral Policy**

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	Before Start of Session	100% of Tuition	100% of Tuition
	(Before March 9, 2020)	100% of Fees	100% of Fees
	Week 1 of Session	87% of Tuition	90% of Tuition
되면	(March 9-13, 2020)	100% of Fees	100% of Fees
efun erra	Week 2 of Session	75% of Tuition	80% of Tuition
Re   Fe	(March 16-20, 2020)	100% of Fees	100% of Fees
	After Week 2 of Session	No Refund of Tuition or	No Deferrals
	(March 21, 2020)	Fees	No Deferrais

## Fifth & Sixth Course Discount

If you are in the 500, 600, or 700 Level and choose to take more than 4 core classes, you will receive a \$100 discount on each additional class over 4 classes.

## How to Pay Online – International Bank Wire or International Credit/Debit Card

## If you have a problem with Online Payment, please come to Room 108A



Georgia Tech Language Institute has partnered with Flywire to provide our international students with an easy and secure method to send international payments from your home country.

Flywire allows you to:

- o Pay from almost any country and any bank
- Avoid unexpected bank fees and ensure the best exchange rate with Flywire's Best Price Guarantee
- o Track your payments from start to finish
- O Access dedicated multilingual customer support

#### How to Make a Payment

- 1. Go to www.gatechesl.flywire.com. Enter your country origin and payment amount.
- 2. Select your preferred payment method from the options provided. Options may include bank transfer, debit/credit card in your home currency, electronic payment, or other local options.
- 3. Create your account or log into your existing Flywire account, then enter some basic information to initiate your payment booking.
- 4. Follow the instructions provided to send the funds to Flywire. Depending on your bank, payment may be made through online banking, in person, or over the phone. For debit/credit payments, enter your card details online to complete the payment in your home currency.
- 5. Track your payment from start to finish with your student dashboard and access Flywire's Customer Support Team at any time.

Note: You cannot use a U.S. bank account or credit card to pay through Flywire.

## How to Pay Online – US Bank Account or US Credit Card

## If you have a problem with Online Payment, please come to Room 108A

Student Login	o Go to www.buzzport.gatech.edu
	o Click on: Login
	<ul> <li>Type in your username and password</li> </ul>
Home Page	<ul> <li>On the <u>REGISTRATION AND STUDENT SERVICES</u> (Oscar) block</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Click Pay Now-Bursar</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Review your Account Summary information and Amount Due</li> </ul>
Payments Tab	<ul> <li>Click Make a Payment</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Click Pay</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Click Step 1: Select a Payment Method</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Click on Electronic Check (checking/savings), OR</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Click on Credit Card (2.85% fee)</li> </ul>
	o Click Go

# **Electronic Check (Webcheck) - (NO Processing Fee)**

- Enter Bank Account information
- Account Type = checking or savings
- ABA Routing Number & Account number (click View Illustration or see illustration below)
- Confirm Account Number Enter account number again
- o Enter name on account
- Enter billing address for account
- Option to Save Your account information will be stored securely to use again for a future payment
- o Save As (example: LI tuition)
- Continue
- O Current Account Balance Click on Pay Now
- Select LI Spring 2 2020 term
- o Enter payment amount and print receipt screen

## Credit Card - 2.85% Processing Fee (American Express, Visa, MasterCard or Discover)

- o Please Confirm payment
- o Enter Payment Amount
- Select LI Spring 2 2020 for Term
- o Continue to PayPath (a new window opens)
- O Welcome, Select LI Spring 2 2020 Term
- Continue
- o Enter Payment Amount
- Continue
- o Enter credit card & billing information
- Continue
- o Review/update credit card & billing information
- Submit payment
- Receipt screen you may print this screen or wait until you receive it by email.

Electronic check (You will need your U.S. bank account number and routing number)

