

The ELI Weekly

Volunteer Day



We are holding our second **Volunteer Day** of the fall term this Saturday, November 4th.

This is your chance to help out the community while practicing your English in a real-life environment.

The activity is free! Wear comfortable clothes for being outside and closed-toed shoes. You should bring a bottle of water as well.

Arrive or be ready **ON TIME** for your activity!

Check the Activities Board to see which activities and times are available. You should sign-up by Thursday at 4 pm. Please don't sign up for an activity if it is full and if you have any questions ask Nate or Liz in the CIP office, MAT 211.

Notes From the Office

I-20s Expiring: If your I-20 is expiring soon and you want to renew it, you should make an appointment with Daryl as soon as possible.

Daryl Out: Daryl will be out of the office this Friday, 11/3. If you need to speak with him, make an appointment in MAT 223.

Student Voices: Send your submissions to Christine V at christinevoigt@ufl.edu for Student Voices by November 17th. Include your name, RW class, and a title.

Halloween Photo Booth: Come to the ELI main office, MAT 223, this week to take fun pictures for Halloween!

Time Change: This Sunday morning, November 5th at 2 a.m., Daylight Savings Time ends, so remember to set your clocks back one hour. Most of your cell phones will probably do this automatically.

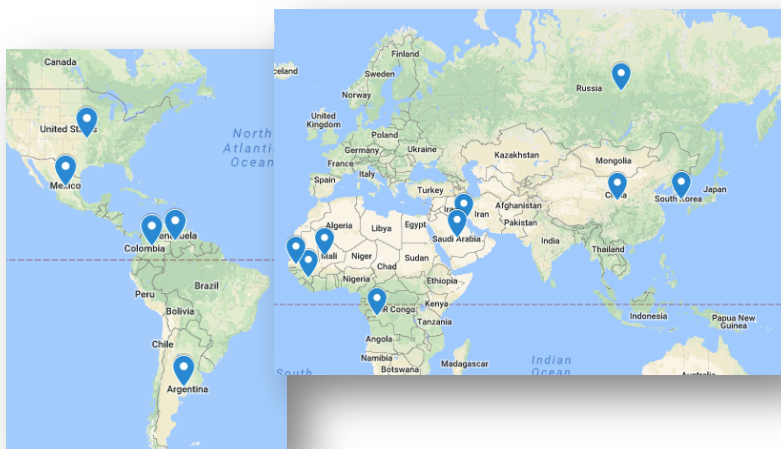
If you forget to adjust your alarm clock, then you will be here a whole hour earlier than you have to on Monday! You can check <http://time.gov/> to make sure you have the right time. Please be aware that the sun will be setting at around 5:30; starting Monday, it will be dark in the early evening.

Food Drive: The ELI is participating in a food drive to help hungry people at UF and in the community. You can bring any canned or nonperishable food and household items to the main office any day this week! Friday is the last day to donate.

B-Term Places of Origin

This semester, our B-term students hail from 14 different places of origin!

Argentina	Mexico
China	Russia
Colombia	Saudi Arabia
Congo	Senegal
Guinea-Conakry	South Korea
Kuwait	United States
Mali	Venezuela



Upcoming Activities

This Thursday, 11/2, come to Gator Salsa and learn to dance salsa and bachata with UF's Salsa Club! Meet at the O'Connell Center gate 4 at 6 p.m.

On Saturday, 11/11, the ELI will have two activities. Come out to the Downtown Art Festival in the morning or play laser tag in the afternoon. Details will be on the Activities Board and in next week's *Weekly*.

Grammar

Q: What's the difference between "must" and "should"?

A: There are actually lots of uses for both words, but the most common use for both of them is to talk about obligation. "Must" means that there is no choice—it's an absolute obligation. "Should" means that the action is advisable, but there is a choice.

- You must come to class to keep your visa.
- You should make American friends to improve your English.

Manners & Culture

Q: What's the most important holiday in the US?

A: Well, that's a tough question, mainly because there are so many holidays that hold special meanings to so many people. Our biggest family holiday is probably Thanksgiving. This is the one holiday that is specifically about visiting family and friends. It's a big feast day that isn't specially linked to any one religion or set of beliefs. Many people fly or drive to visit their family in other states.

Quote of the Week

Imagination will often carry us to worlds that never were. But without it we go nowhere.

– Carl Sagan

Birthdays!

Students:

October 30: Wanita Dantes
 October 30: Alaa Albukhari
 November 1: Daniel Marin Hernandez
 November 2: Muyi Niu
 November 3: Ahmad Alkhaldi
 November 3: Massaer Mbaye
 November 4: Abdulrahman Alsuhbani
 November 4: Sofia Barboza
 November 5: Meznah Alyami

Staff

October 30: Christine Voigt
 November 4: Jolee Gibbs

Upcoming Holidays

There will be no ELI classes on these upcoming holidays. There is also reduced or no campus RTS bus service. Check the RTS website www.go-rts.com for more details. You should also heck the main office for reduced hours.

Veteran's Day: Friday, November 10

Thanksgiving Holiday: Wednesday, November 22; Thursday, November 23; and Friday, November 24

Last Day of ELI Classes: Thursday, December 7

End-of-year Break: December 11, 2017 to January 15, 2018



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