The ELI Weekly

Find out what the University of Florida can offer you!

As UF ELI students, you have access to some amazing resources and opportunities. Becoming part of the UF community is a great way to improve your English and learn the ins and outs of American university life. Here are some things you can do around campus! If you have questions, see Victoria in the main office!



Athletic Events

A Gatorl ID will get you into most athletic events on campus! While you have to buy men's football and basketball tickets separately, you can attend all other sports for free! It is now tennis, soccer, swimming and diving, lacrosse, and volleyball season. Go catch a match and cheer on our Gators!

Libraries and Labs

Need a quiet place to study or a place to work on your presentation? Visit one of UF's libraries or computer labs. With a Gatorlink, you can use any library or computer lab on campus. Library West is open 24/7! Just be aware that if you print in one of these labs, you must pay your fees!

Health and Wellness

By now, you know about the Student Health Care Center, but UF has other resources to keep you healthy and well. For example, students can learn about quitting through tobacco the GatorWell program. Also. students with disabilities can utilize the Disability Resource Center.

Gyms and Fields

ELI students can use many fields and recreational areas for free, including Broward Pool, Flavet Field, and Lake Wauburg. In order to use the Southwest Recreation Center, the Student Recreation and Fitness Center, or Florida Gym, you must purchase a gym membership.

The CIP Insider

Your place to find out what is going on with the Cultural Immersion Program!

Thursday Activity

Conversation Partner Social at Felipe's

Did you know there are over 160 ELI student and conversation partner pairings? On Thursday, October 11th, you can meet some of them! The ELI will be having a conversation partner social at Felipe's Mexican Taqueria on University Avenue. Come chat with conversation partners and eat Mexican food!

When: Thursday, October 11th from 6:30 until 8:30

Where: Felipe's Mexican Taqueria on University Ave. It's just five minutes walking from Matherly Hall.



No Saturday Activity

Due to midterm exams next week, there is no Saturday activity this week. Instead, you should study and prepare for your exams!

Next weekend, we will have the B-Term Welcome Picnic. Check the *ELI Weekly* for more information!

IELTS Elective in B-Term

The ELI is offering an IELTS elective course in the B-term semester. The class will be offered beginning the week of October 22nd. The class will meet in the evening after afternoon Reading and Writing classes. Students must be in level 40 Reading and Writing to take the class.

If you want to sign up for this course courses, please register online at http://www.eli.ufl.edu/register.htm.

For more information, please contact **Patricia Moon** at pmoon@eli.ufl.edu.

Midterm Exams: Oct. 15th-19th

This weekend there is no scheduled ELI activity - the weekend is yours to relax and study for your classes. Midterm week starts on October 15th, so you might have important quizzes and exams in your classes next week. Ask your teacher if you will have a midterm exam!

Here's some study advice:

- Don't wait until the last minute! Review your notes, do your homework, and study a little bit everyday.
- Make flashcards to practice vocabulary and important information. Quizlet is a great app to make digital flashcards.
- Get enough rest before a quiz or exam so you will be able to think clearly.
- Get some friends together to create a study group and motivate each other to practice.
- Eat breakfast on your test day!

Submit to Student Voices

Each semester, the ELI creates a collection of student writing called *Student Voices*. You can send in any kind of writing – essays, poems, paragraphs, scripts, or anything else you've written this semester! To submit, send an email to Thomas at tomdolce@ufl.edu with your writing attached. Include your name, a title, and your class number. Talk to your teachers for ideas or if you need help editing!

Useful Expressions of the Week

Expressions of the Week: In the campus services article, you saw these underlined phrases:

Phrase One: ins and outs

Becoming part of the UF community is a great way to improve your English and learn the <u>ins and outs</u> of American university life.

Ins and outs is an idiom. It means all of the details and specific information about a specific topic. For example, your teachers know the **ins and outs** of English grammar.

Phrase Two: 24/7

Library West is open 24/7!

24/7 is a short way of saying 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In the sentence above, it means that Library West is open 24 hours a day and seven days a week. In other words, Library West never closes! We can use 24/7 to refer to actual hours, but we can also use it to mean always.

Occasionally, you may hear or see **24/7/365**. The 365 refers to the number of days in a year.

Did you hear an English expression that you don't know? Ask the *ELI Weekly*! You may ask me, Thomas Dolce, in person in my office (MAT 220B), email me at tomdolce@ufl.edu, or put them in my mailbox (ELI Office, MAT 223, box marked Dolce) anytime the office is open.

Happy birthday!

Be sure to wish the following people a happy birthday this week!

Students:

October 9th: Fabianna Sinopoli Alfonzo

October 11th: Naif Abuhadi

Staff:

October 11th: Matt Goode

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