

Summer Break—June 25th—29th

There are no ELI classes June 25th—June 29th. That week is Summer Break. This is a great time to rest, travel, and prepare yourself for the rest of the semester! Here are a few things you should know about Summer Break:

- There is reduced bus service from Saturday, June 23rd until Sunday, July 1st. Check www.go-rts.com for more information about your bus route.
- Your travel authorization on your I-20 must be signed if you are traveling outside of the country. If you have questions, see **Christine** in the ELI Office.
- The ELI office is open during Summer Break. Come by and say hello if you are in town!
- During the week that you return, Wednesday, July 4th is also holiday. There will be no classes on this day. However, we do have class on every other day that week.
- After Summer Break, the ELI B-term is starting. There will be new ELI students, so please make them feel welcome. You can start by attending the B-Term Welcome Picnic on Saturday, June 30th

Have fun and be safe!



Electives in B-Term

The ELI is offering two elective courses for in the B-term semester: **IELTS** and **Pronunciation**. The IELTS course is currently in session. Both courses will be offered beginning on July 3rd from 5:10 to 7:25pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Students must be in level 40 Reading/Writing for IELTS and level 30 Listening/Speaking for Pronunciation.

If you want to sign up for either of these courses, please register online at www.eli.ufl.edu/register.htm.

Costs:

IELTS, \$475

Pronunciation, \$500

For more information, please contact

Patricia Moon

at pmoon@eli.ufl.edu.

The CIP Insider

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

Thursday Activity- Reitz Arts and Crafts

Show your creative side! Come to the Reitz Union Arts and Crafts Center. Paint a dish with your best design and take it home after!

When: Thursday, June 21st from 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Where: Reitz Union Basement

What: Bring \$5-10 to buy a dish to paint

Next Saturday Activity- B-Term Welcome Picnic

This upcoming Saturday, June 23rd, is the start of Summer Break. As a result, there is no Saturday CIP activity next week.

However, on Saturday, June 30th, the ELI will be hosting its B-Term Welcome Picnic! Do you remember how much fun you had at the Welcome Picnic earlier this semester? Now you get to do it again with new B-term ELI students!

Come meet new students, enjoy free food, and tell everyone how you spent your Summer Break! Sign up on the activities board if you want to attend!

When: Saturday, June 30th at 12:00

Where: The Plaza of the Americas

ELI Successes—Selom Ametepe

Most ELI students have big dreams. Last week, Selom Ametepe came one step closer to achieving hers.

Selom is from Togo, a small country in west Africa. She came to the ELI in January as a Fulbright scholar. It is her dream to study a Master's degree, but there was one thing in her way—the TOEFL.



Last week, Selom found out that she passed the test on her fourth attempt. She worked hard to get the score that she needs. She studied for the TOEFL for at least an hour each day after her classes. In addition, she used the skills she learned in her ELI classes to help her on her test, especially for listening and writing. She says that the notetaking skills she learned in her Listening and Speaking class helped her on the listening portion of the TOEFL. For writing, she credits ELI instructor Barbara Drake for making her writing more direct and straight to the answer.

Selom hopes to start her Master's program in Agricultural and Biological Engineering at the University of Florida in the Fall semester.

Notes from the Office

Daryl Out: Daryl will be out of the office from June 18th—June 22nd. If you have questions related to immigration, your I-20, or transferring to another school, you can see **Christine** between 9:00 and 12:00.

Student Debt: Did you receive an email from **Victoria** about unpaid charges? Sometimes students need to pay for services outside the ELI for things like getting immunizations at the Student Health Care Center or for printing in a computer lab. These are not charges due to the ELI, but to University of Florida. If you're not sure if you have unpaid charges or you don't know how to pay, feel free to send **Victoria** an email!

Useful Expression of the Week

Expression of the Week #1: In the "Summer Break" article, you saw the phrase "in town."

Phrase One: in town

Come by and say hello if you are in town!

In town is a phrase used when you will be in the same town or city as the person you are talking to. The opposite is **out of town**. This is useful in Gainesville because many students travel outside of Gainesville during the weekends and semester breaks.

Examples:

A: Are you going to be in town this weekend?

B: Yeah, I'll be here.

A: Are you going to the CIP activity on Saturday?

B: I can't. I'm going to be out of town this weekend.

As always, send your English expression questions to Thomas Dolce at tomdolce@ufl.edu.

Happy birthday!

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

Students:

June 20th: Raghdad Babaker

June 24th: Hamad Alazemi

June 24th: Aimee Cavalcante Moraes E Marques

Santa Fe College Admissions Workshop

On Thursday, June 21st, representatives from Santa Fe College and the ELI will host a workshop in Matherly 210 at 5:15. You can learn about transferring from the ELI to Santa Fe College and ask any questions you have about applying to universities in the United States.