

The ELI Weekly



Commencement (Zoom)

Friday, April 23rd - 11:00am-12:15pm

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/92398855675?pwd=SkVJaE9lZTRSYsSrQ2hPK2loa1h5UT09>

Meeting ID: 923 9885 5675

Passcode: 932809

Celebrate your accomplishments, see your friends, and say goodbye! The ELI Commencement Ceremony will be held on Friday, April 23rd from 11:00am to 12:15pm on Zoom. Students, Language Assistants, teachers, administrators, family, and friends are welcome to this special occasion.

Certificate Pick-up (in-person)

Thursday, April 22nd - 3:00pm - 4:00pm

If you're in Gainesville, you can receive your ELI certificate for this semester from members of the ELI Administration (Megan Forbes, Patricia Moon, Daryl Bish, Lia Brenneman, and Victoria Dolce) in front of the Gator statue near Matherly Hall. You can have an official photo taken of you receiving your certificate! Please sign up for a slot below. The ELI would love to congratulate you in-person!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-certificates>

- You must be cleared for campus, sign up, and have a mask with you to attend this event



Short-Term English Program Online

It is time to register for Short Term English Program Online courses for Summer A & B 2021! The ELI offers online courses like IELTS and TOEFL Preparation, taught by our expert instructors. If you, or your friends and family, are not in the U.S. this summer to attend the ELI in-person, join us online!

- Each course has two hours of synchronous Zoom classes each week.
- Each course has three additional hours of engaging materials for you to do on your own each week.
- Each course is 6 weeks long, and costs \$500.

If you have a group of colleagues from your job or business in your home country, we can also customize a Special Program courses. Please email Daryl Bish (StudyEnglish@eli.ufl.edu) to enroll.

Here are the online courses for the Summer A and B terms. See more information about the STEP program on the ELI webpage (<https://eli.ufl.edu/programs/step-online/>).

Dates	STEP Online Courses	Application Deadline
English Courses available each term	English for Beginners Listening/Speaking Writing for Professionals IELTS Preparation TOEFL (iBT) Preparation	
Summer A May 17-June 25	Academic Writing Creative Writing English for Legal Professions	May 12, 2021
Summer B June 28-Aug. 6	Pronunciation and Grammar for Academic Speaking Customer Service English U.S. University Academic Success	June 24, 2021

CIP Weekday Activities



Spring Market, April 10, 2021

Monday, April 19th - Game Night (Zoom) - 6:00-8:00pm

Play fun virtual games with LAs and classmates! This week we will play Among Us!

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/96129662095?pwd=TmdIdmgvWkFlckhBc0FwdFdOeW9NZz09>

Meeting ID: 961 2966 2095
Passcode: gamenight

Tuesday April 20th - Plaza Hangout (In-person) - 5:15-7:15pm

Come hang out face-to-face at the Plaza! Socialize and play some contactless games.

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-plaza22>

- You must be campus cleared, sign up, and wear a mask to attend this event

Wednesday, April 21st - Coffee and Culture Talk (Zoom) - 6:00-7:30pm

Join us this week for a discussion about recycling!

<https://ufl.zoom.us/j/99582032927?pwd=UIFOQ1pja1swa3huUk41cnBuMEFiQT09>

- Meeting ID: 995 8203 2927
- Passcode: 926123

Thursday, April 22nd - No Activity

There is no activity today for the teacher-planning day.

Notes from the Office

COVID-19 Requirements:

Face to face students, remember to do the final COVID-19 screening by 3pm on Monday, April 19 with this link: <https://uf.tfaforms.net/440>

You are not required to do a saliva test this week. Don't forget your COVID-19 vaccine!

Check-in for Summer C 2021:

To register for the Summer C 2021 classes, you must check in for the Summer C 2021 semester in [myELI](#) between May 3rd -7th. Checking in reserves your space in classes.

Instructions for checking in are on page 12 of the [myELI user guide](#). If you need help accessing myELI, please let Daryl know. If you do not check in using myELI, you may not be able to take Summer C 2021 classes. Plus, you will have to pay a \$100 late check in fee.

Your I-20:

Make sure your I-20 is not expiring if you will study at the ELI after this Summer semester. Contact Daryl (StudyEnglish@eli.ufl.edu) if you need to extend your I-20. Also, if you are traveling with your ELI I-20, make sure your I-20 is not expired and that Daryl signed the travel authorization on page 2. Please contact Daryl if you want to make sure your I-20 is good for travel.

Non-returning Students:

If you are not returning to the ELI in the Summer, you will soon lose access your ufl.edu email address, one.ufl.edu, Canvas, and other gatorlink services. Please plan accordingly if you need information from these sources.

Main office hours during the break:

From April 26th through May 7th, the ELI Main Office will be open from 9:30am – 3:30pm, M-F.

Charges Due:

Every ELI student should log in to ONE.ufl.edu and look at the "Campus Finances (Bursar)" tile to see if they owe any fees to the university. For example, you may need to pay for services you received at the Student Health Care Center or printing in a library. If you have a scholarship, it will not pay these charges.

Certificates:

Semester certificates and grade reports will be available in my.ELI by Monday, April 26th. You will be able to find your certificate in your profile under "my profile" and "documents" in myELI. Hard copies of certificates can be picked up in the ELI main office beginning April 26th. If you would like a friend or family member to pick up your certificate for you or you would like us to mail your certificate to a US mailing address, you should email Min at minsang921@ufl.edu. If you need a hard copy of your certificate sent to you to an international address by FedEx you should email your name, exact mailing address, and phone number to StudyEnglish@eli.ufl.edu. You will also have to pay a \$25 certificate shipping fee.

Financial guarantees for scholarship students:

Most of your financial guarantees will expire at the end of this semester. If you plan to return for the Summer C Semester, please request a new financial guarantee letter now. You will need to submit the letter by the tuition deadline of May 19th to avoid owing a late fee or missing classes. If you need an enrollment letter or have any questions, please email Jennifer Vann at jvann@eli.ufl.edu.

Notes from the Editor



Thank you to all the students and staff who submitted stories, photos, and questions to *The ELI Weekly*. It can be scary to put your words on paper for others to read, and you met the challenge with style. We all enjoyed the experiences you shared. Keep on writing!

Retraction: In Issue 12 of the *Weekly*, we published a poem in the "Out and About" column. Due to the author's wishes, we are retracting it.

Birthdays!



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