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The ELI Weekly

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Commencement

It's around the corner!

Congratulations and thanks, everyone! This will be the last issue of the Weekly for the Summer Term, 2022.

Congratulations on making it to the end of this crazy semester! We hope you learned more English, made some wonderful friends and had some fun, as well. You should all be very proud of yourselves and we'd like to celebrate this accomplishment at our Commencement Ceremony on Friday. At the ceremony, we will recognize our scholarship and award winners and reflect back on one of the most unique times the ELI has ever experienced.

The ELI Commencement Ceremony will be held on Friday, August 5th, in the Reitz Union Grand Ballroom. Students, Language Assistants, teachers, and administrators, please join us for this special occasion.

When: Friday, August 5th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12noon.

Replacement Electives for Fall 2022

If you are planning on returning in Fall 2022, below are some exciting courses for advanced students!

- **Grammar for Writing (GW).** Students focus on refining grammatical abilities in writing as well as improving general organizational structure for essay writing. Intensive editing practice is a large component of this course. This course replaces listening/speaking for those students who have placed into or exited the advanced listening/speaking class.
- **Advanced Informal English (AIE).** Students practice and learn strategies for successful conversation and interaction with speakers of English. This course replaces reading/writing for those students who have placed into or exited advanced reading/writing class.

Eligibility: Returning students, B- or better in the most recent replacement course, placement into level 50 or 60 of the respective skill. Sponsored students are not permitted to take any extra electives until they have exited the replacement skill.

Priority is given to students in the following order:
1. Exited students, 2. Previous level 60 students, 3. Full-time students, 4. Part-time students

Classes This Week

Thursday, August 4th, is the final day of ELI classes this summer. Teachers will be submitting final grades and attendance reports on Wednesday, August 3rd. If you are absent on Thursday, your absence will not be counted for immigration, class grades, or any petition you have submitted. **All absences on August 1st, 2nd, and 3rd still count!!! You should not miss class these days!**

We hope all ELI students will attend class on Thursday, August 4th. Your teachers and LAs have fun and interesting lessons and activities planned. However, we know many ELI students are preparing to leave Gainesville, so are very busy this last week. **If you will not be attending class on Thursday, August 4th, please inform your teacher by Tuesday, August 2nd.** Your teachers and LAs need to know how many students to plan for.

All of your teachers and LAs will be at the ELI Commencement Ceremony on Friday, August 5th. We hope you will be there, too!

Certificates and Grades

Semester certificates will be available immediately after the Commencement

Ceremony at the Reitz Union, and grade reports will be available in my.ELI by Monday, August 8th. Certificates can also be picked up in the ELI Main Office when it re-opens at 2pm. 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.

Reminders from the Office

ELI Main Office Hours: Friday, August 5 (Commencement Day), the ELI Main Office will be closed until 2pm. From August 8-12, the ELI Office will be open from 10:00am-3:00pm. August 15-19, the office will be open from 9:30am-4:00pm. Regular office hours from 8am-4:30pm will resume on August 22.

Returning for Fall C: Please remember that all returning students must check in

online using my.ELI between August 22-26. If you do not check in, you are not guaranteed a space in the class and you will have to pay a \$100 Late Check in Fee. Remember, if your plans have changed for the summer, you should email Daryl at studyenglish@eli.ufl.edu to let him know.

Fines and fees: Please remember if you have any outstanding fees (library or infirmary, for example), you must clear them by the end of the semester, or we will not be able to release your grades and certificates to you. Remember, you **MUST** pay \$15 for your GatorOne (UF ID) card if you did not pay when you received it
Your I-20: Make sure your I-20 does not expire on August 15th if you will study at the ELI after this summer semester. Contact Daryl if you need to extend your I-20.

Gatorlink: Remember, if you are not returning to the ELI in the fall, you will not be able to access your ufl.edu email address, one.ufl.edu, Canvas, or other gatorlink services after September 1st.

Birthdays

The following are ELI Birthdays for the period August 1-31:

Students:

August 8: Sthella Faria
August 12: Carlota Rodriguez Yera
August 13: Hanan Alqutami
August 14: Hikaru Kaneko
August 14: Suji Jung
August 24: Neida Charris Ebratt
August 26: Ibis Tarazona Hurtado
August 28: Seungeun Jeong
August 28: Arturo Alizo Olivar

Staff:

August 5: Alexis Johnson
August 9: Marissa Latimer
August 13: Megan Forbes
August 28: Victoria Dolce

Quote of the Week

Life is a circle. The end of one journey is the beginning of the next.

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