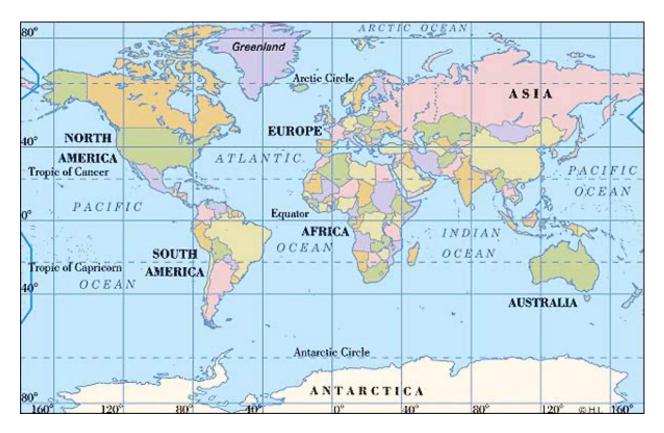
The ELI Weekly

Where in the World?

This semester, the ELI has 129 students from 23 countries. Ask your classmates where they are from!



Angola	Colombia	Japan	Taiwan
Argentina	Costa Rica	Korea (South)	Thailand
Bolivia	Cuba	Mexico	United States
Brazil	Ecuador	Panama	Uruguay
Chile	Greece	Peru	Venezuela
China	Italy	Saudi Arabia	

Notes from the Office

Can F-1 students work on campus? Yes! F-1 students can work on campus. However, students cannot work more than 20 hours per week (this is true for all on-campus student employment, not only F-1 students) when classes are in session. Also, your work schedule cannot conflict with your ELI class schedule. If you are an F-1 student, you cannot change your class time for your work schedule. Also, F-1 students can ONLY work on-campus. It is illegal for F-1 students to work off-campus unless they have been approved by the US Citizenship and Immigration Service. If the ELI knows an F-1 student is illegally working off-campus, the ELI must terminate the student's I-20. If you have questions about where you can work or how to find a job, you can talk to Daryl in the main office.

Lost and Found: Have you lost your car keys, student ID card, driver's license, wallet, or some other important item? Many times, when people find an item, they bring it to the office for safe keeping. When you lose something, please come by the ELI Main Office (MAT223) and see if it is in the lost and found.

Hallways: Many UF faculty and staff have offices with doors in hallways on campus. Please remember to speak softly in the buildings. Please do not block the hallways or staircases by sitting in them.

Victoria out: Victoria will be out of the office Wednesday, September 14th and Friday, September 16th. Be sure to speak with her on Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday if you need help.

Clearwater Beach Bus Trip Tickets



Clearwater Beach: Photo Credit https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clearwater Beach

Tate is selling bus tickets starting Monday, September 12, for the Clearwater Beach bus trip on Saturday September 24th! This is a full day trip. Buy your ticket from the CIP office (MAT 211) between 9 and 12:30pm with 25 dollars exact cash and your Gator 1ID card. Spaces are limited and are sold on a first come first serve basis.

CIP Weekday Activities

Monday September 12th— Cabana Beach Pool Party — 6:00-8:30pm



It's pool season! Come hang out with us at the Cabana Beach pool area and swim in their spacious pool! Feel free to bring a bathing suit, a towel, and your friends! If you don't want to swim, there will be plenty of games and socializing! Take bus 20 or 21 to Cabana Beach Apartments!

Address: 1601 SW 51st Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32607

Tuesday September 13th – Volleyball – 6:30-9:00pm



Come play volleyball and hang out at Lexington Crossing Apartments Phase 2! No experience necessary! Take bus 34 or 35.

Address: 3900 SW 27th St, Gainesville, FL 32608

Wednesday September 14th - Gator Nights - 6:30-9:30pm



Come see all the fun things the Reitz has to offer for this fun event! There will be activities, entertainment, food, photo opportunities, and more! Meet at the Reitz Union Subway! The theme is Sticky Gator! Lots of fun textures and crafts that stick will be there! Don't forget your Gator1 ID card.

Address: 686 Museum Rd, Gainesville, FL 32611

Thursday September 15th— Soccer — 6:30-9:00pm—Please note the day change



Come play soccer on campus at Maguire Field! No experience necessary! If we aren't at Maguire because it is too crowded, we have moved to Flavet Field just down the road!

Address: Bledsoe Dr., Gainesville, FL 32611

Friday September 16th- Café Friday - 6:30-9:00pm



Socialize with LAs and ELI friends at the Starbucks on Archer Road next to Burger Fi! Play games, speak English, and drink coffee, or get dinner at one of the restaurants nearby! Take bus 1.

Address: 3524 SW Archer Rd, Gainesville, FL 32608

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Weekend Activity



Volunteer Weekend: It is time to help the Gainesville community! Please sign up for only ONE of these events.

Sign up here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-volunteer1 (opens in new tab)

Saturday September 17th - Keep Alachua County Beautiful: Trail Cleanup - 9:00am - 11:30am

Volunteer with Keep Alachua County Beautiful by helping to clean trash from our beautiful trails and roads! Meet at Depot Park! Take bus 1 or 5.

Address: 874 SE 4th St, Gainesville, FL 32601

Saturday September 17th - Saint Francis House - 9:00am - 12:00pm

Help this local homeless shelter and resource center maintain their space for their community! Clean up their yard and any other tasks they need help with! Take bus 46, 1, or 5 to downtown near the shelter!

Address: 413 S Main St, Gainesville, FL 32601

Saturday September 17th - Project Downtown Gainesville - 12:45pm - 2:00pm

Help serve a meal to local homeless community. Socialize with them and make friends! Meet in front of Gainesville City Hall. Take bus 5.

Address: 200 E University Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601

Sunday September 18th – Millcreek Horse Farm - 9:15am - 2:00pm

Help at a farm that houses retired horses! See the horses and take care of their home! Meet at Norman Parking Garage to be driven by LAs.

Norman Parking Garage Address: 1242 SW 8th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601

Conversation Partners



Want to make a friend and speak English? Sign up for a conversation partner! Wait two weeks to be paired and then meet your new partner for one hour a week to practice conversation and make a friend! If you are a returner and still want a CP, you should still sign up here, even if you had a partner last semester.

Sign up for a CP here: https://forms.gle/h5NyWTrkpE331zzS7 (opens in new tab)

Remember, if you sign up, you must meet your partner at least once a week and respond to their messages. Email <u>conversationpartners@eli.ufl.edu</u> (opens in new tab) if you have any questions or problems.

Fun in the CIP Office





Join the International Mentorship Association at UF

The UF International Mentorship Association facilitates a mentorship experience between international students and domestic students. The purpose of IMA is to ease the adaptation and transition process of international students at the University of Florida. IMA strives to foster a multicultural exchange experience among all members and build a diverse community of leaders. IMA is accepting applications for mentor and mentee pairings for the fall semester. Applications (opens in new tab) are due by Friday September 16th. For more information, check out our Instagram (a) ima.uf.

Photo of the Week



Volleyball!

Birthdays!



Students:

9/12-Juan Rozo Guarate

9/14-Valentina Valdez Bolivar

Staff:

9/15-Julia Palomba

Manners & Culture

Q: Why doesn't my teacher always correct my mistakes?

A: Your teachers want to make the corrections that relate to the class they are teaching. This means that your LS teacher is probably not going to correct your writing and your RW teacher is probably not going to correct your speaking. Also, your teachers are more likely to correct the points you are working on that week in class. For example, if my RW class is working on main ideas, I am very likely to correct errors in the main ideas and less likely to correct errors in transitions. As the semester progresses, I might expect students to remember both main ideas and transitions.

Grammar

Q: I get the prepositions confused! Can you explain study in vs. study at?

A: It depends on what you are trying to express with the full sentence. If you are answering this question:

Where are you studying?

Then you can say:

• I am studying at the University of Florida.

If you are answering this question:

What are you studying?

You can say:

- I am majoring in engineering.
- I am studying engineering.

You can combine ideas like this:

- I am majoring in engineering at the University of Florida.
- I am studying engineering at the University of Florida

Here are some other examples:

- He is a professor in the Physics Department at Harvard University.
- I am a PhD student in Business at MIT.

Notes from the Editor



The *ELI Weekly* needs you! You can participate in several ways:

- Email grammar questions for me to put in the *Weekly*.
- Email manners and culture questions for me to put in the *Weekly*.
- Write a paragraph about your experiences this semester. You could write about an ELI activity, a Gainesville event, a fabulous local restaurant, or tell us about a place or event in your country that we should visit!

Send your questions and reports to Maya (<u>mshastri@ufl.edu</u>) Use the subject heading: the ELI Weekly.



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