ESL Resources for Students

The following resources may be useful to help your students improve their English skills. You can link to the online version of this page on your Moodle site, share it in your syllabus, and refer students to these resources as needed throughout the semester. See http://esl.umn.edu/student-resources for more information.

English as a Second Language Courses. The Minnesota English Language Program (MELP) offers a range of different Academic English courses.

- Web: http://cce.umn.edu/minnesota-english-language-program/academic-english-program
- E-mail: esl@umn.edu

Student English Language Support. SELS offers free, 45-minute consultations to international undergraduate students to help develop their English skills. Visit their website to make an appointment and for their walk-in hours.

- Web: http://cce.umn.edu/minnesota-english-language-program/student-english-language-support
- E-mail: eslhelp@umn.edu


- Web: https://sites.google.com/a/umn.edu/academic-resources-for-intl-students/

Writing Support. The University of Minnesota offers a variety of options to help international students improve and get feedback on their writing:

- Center for Writing, Student Writing Support: Make an appointment to meet with a writing consultant at http://writing.umn.edu/sws/
- First-Year Writing Courses for Non-Native Speakers of English: http://cla.umn.edu/writing-studies/first-year-writing

Conversation Practice. The opportunities below provide different ways to practice English while getting involved on campus:

- Culture Talks at the Minnesota English Language Program: Join students from around the world to practice English, and enjoy coffee and snacks. https://www.facebook.com/melpculturetalks/
- TandemPlus Conversation Partner Program: These face-to-face exchanges match native speakers of two different languages who want to learn each other’s language. http://languagecenter.cla.umn.edu/tandem
- ISSS Small World Coffee Hour: SWCH hosts events throughout the semester where students come together to learn about new cultures, food, and customs. https://isss.umn.edu/programs/smallworld/
- ISSS Cross-Cultural Discussion Groups: During weekly discussions, you will share cross-cultural experiences and reflect on various topics with other U of M classmates, including friendship/relationships, taboos and stereotypes, culture shock, educational systems around the world, and much more. More details at https://isss.umn.edu/programs/disgroup/.