

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER PROGRAMMING IN AMES- FALL 2024

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COLLABORATION

STRUCTURED CLASSES:

Des Moines Area Community College, Ames Hunziker Center, 1420 South Bell Avenue, Ames.

Call 515-697-7762, email dcsheehy@dmacc.edu, or text 515-612-7708 in your native language. For info:



- Free non-credit ELL classes at various levels. Registration appointments needed. Ames class schedule: www.dmacc.edu/ell. **Fall Session #1** - Session Dates: Monday, August 26 – Thursday, October 17 (8 weeks). Registration sign-up on website opens: Monday, July 29. **Fall Session #2** - Session Dates: Monday, October 28 – Thursday, December 12 (7 weeks). Registration sign-up on website opens: Monday, October 7
- International students and family members (on J and F student visas) are not eligible to participate
- For information on credit (tuition-fee) ELL classes, please visit <https://www.dmacc.edu/ell/Pages/ellcredit.aspx>

Memorial Lutheran Church International Student Ministry, 2228 Lincoln Way, Ames. Contact: Judy Newhouse at ISM.MLChurch@gmail.com or 515-292-5005. Fall classes start September 3, 2024 (no classes November 25-30).

- Free “Learning English” classes at all levels. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10 am. Free childcare available.
- Free “Conversational Activities (All levels)” classes available. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2 & 5 pm.
- Citizenship Class. Mondays, 2 pm. “Learn about the USA and its history and government.”
- “Idioms” classes, American Literature (Advanced), Written English (Int. & Adv), and English Lab also available.
- For the complete class schedule, see <https://memorillutheranchurch.org/international-ministry/>

Plex/Christ Community Church, 5501 George Washington Carver, Ames. Contact: Nancy Foote at Nancyfoote@gmail.com

- Free English Conversations classes at 4 levels. Held Monday and Thursday mornings, 10 – 11:15 am.
- Classes follow the ISU academic calendar, starting August 26. New students are welcome to join any time.
- Textbook fee is \$15. Scholarships available.
- *If requested in advance, the following can be provided:* 1) transportation from ISU’s SUV Community Center, with pick-up at 9:45 am; 2) childcare.

CONVERSATION GROUPS:

Ames Public Library, 515 Douglas Avenue, Ames. 515-239-5646.

- English conversation circles available on Mondays, 12:30 – 1:30 pm, ongoing, in the Danfoss Room (2nd floor).
- Gather for casual conversations in English. The focus of this group is to help English Language Learners gain confidence and fluency in a comfortable and fun setting. Library staff will pair native and non-native speakers and provide themes, questions, and topics for conversation.
- International Community Meet-up on *third* Tuesdays of the month, 5 – 6 pm, Auditorium.

“Coffee, Tea, and English” Conversation Group, Iowa State University, Gerdin Business Building-Lobby Café. Contact person: Nancy Foote at Nancyfoote@gmail.com OR isubridges@gmail.com

- Meet in small groups with American volunteers and follow a format learning English and cultural customs.
- Held every Friday, 4:30 – 6 pm, during the ISU academic year, starting August 30, 2024