



Online English + Culture + Conversation

Enhance your English language skills and cultural understanding of U.S. society in a virtual environment led by expert KU Applied English Center teaching faculty and International Short Programs professional staff. Engage in online learning and first-hand cultural exchange and conversation practice with KU students and professionals. Big accomplishments in a short time!

Program Length	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-week session: Monday, February 15 – Friday, March 12, 2021 • 6-week session: Monday, February 15 – Friday, March 26, 2021
Preparation Services & Events (ISP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process & initial program information • Assistance with sign-up for the Versant online English language placement test. • Orientation to on-line program components & introduction to Blackboard, KU’s web-based learning management system • Virtual welcome meeting • ISP staff available for ongoing digital communication with school administrators and program participants via email, phone group app such as LINE and Zoom for group meetings
English Language Curriculum (AEC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AEC Listening & Speaking (Listening, Speaking & Grammar for Academic Purposes) • AEC Reading & Writing (Reading, Writing & Grammar for Academic Purposes) <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Students may enroll in either or both courses.</i></p>
English Language Instruction (AEC)	<p><i>Comprehensive and intensive English language study includes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instruction and practice in reading, writing and/or listening, speaking (2 courses) • Grammar is integrated into both courses. • Attention to improvement in students’ fluency and accuracy in all skill areas • Individualized feedback on students’ written and oral work • Conversation Group participation available • Textbooks provided as a program component <p><i>Instruction is online with some required synchronous online meetings each week. Your course(s) will meet synchronously twice a week (45 minutes per session). Course sessions are scheduled between 8:00 am and 10:00 am US CT so that students can access the course at reasonable times. When not meeting synchronously, you will have other work that you are required to complete throughout the week.</i></p>
Conversation & Cultural Exchange (ISP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conversation Exchange with KU Students: Once a week, students will meet online with KU student peers to enjoy casual conversation. Conversation topics can be student choice or guided and could include topics such as music, slang, school and social life, or love and relationships. During these conversations, students will learn what everyday life is like for a college student in another country. • Cross-Cultural Discussion Group: These once-a-week discussions are with the ISP Graduate Assistant. Conversations will cover a variety of U.S. culture topics in a fun and relaxed setting. You will learn about different aspects of U.S. society and can compare U.S. and your cultures, ask questions, and build relationships with one another. Potential topics may include popular foods, movies, various holidays, and the recent U.S. election process. Students will also be able to suggest topics.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Cultural Experiences: Two or three times during the program, students will have the opportunity to participate in a virtual cultural experience. Examples of these activities include things such as a virtual tour of the city of Lawrence, virtual tours of museums (on the KU campus or in the cities of Lawrence and Kansas City) as well as virtual experiences with American families such as sharing dinner or playing games with family members. • Introduction to Admission Information and Opportunities. You will have an opportunity to meet with KU professional staff to learn about the many possibilities of further degree or non-degree study at the University of Kansas. 		
Program Culmination (ISP & AEC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital certificates of course completion (Hard copies available upon request) 		
Program Cost per participant		4 WEEKS	6 WEEKS
	1 English Course	\$922	\$1,220.50
	2 English Courses	\$1,519	\$2,116
Expenses <u>not</u> covered in program costs above	1 English Course	*Application fee: \$85 *Versant English Test fee: \$35 *Class textbooks: \$100-\$125	*Application fee: \$85 *Versant English Test fee: \$35 *Textbooks: \$100-\$125
	2 English Courses	*Application fee: \$85 *Versant English Test fee: \$35 *Textbooks: \$150-\$200	*Application fee: \$85 *Versant English Test fee: \$35 *Textbooks: \$150-\$200

Who We Are

<p>KU Applied English Center (AEC)</p>	<p>Started in 1964, the AEC is one of the first intensive English programs in the US. The AEC has a talented group of people providing students the best service possible. We have taught in over 33 countries and developed numerous courses of all different types. We regularly present at local, regional, national, and international conferences. We serve in leadership roles in various organizations and provide customized workshops for different groups of people. We publish articles in professional journals and even produce one of our own. We offer several types of programs to meet the varying needs of students coming to the U.S. Two examples are preparing students who need to master English before beginning their university studies, and offering instruction for those who only wish to study for a short time in the U.S.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Learn more: https://aec.ku.edu/</p>
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<p>KU International Short Programs (ISP)</p>	<p>ISP has more than 20 years of experience designing, facilitating, and delivering English language, academic, and professional training programs for international students and professionals. We provide comprehensive, people-focused services and program logistics before arrival through program's end. All ISP team members have much experience and expertise in short-stay programming. They demonstrate maturity, enthusiasm, cultural sensitivity, and a passion for working with international students and professionals. All have lived overseas. Their deep commitment to teamwork ensures programs are well planned and run smoothly. Our mission is helping program participants and the KU community grow culturally, intellectually, and personally one program at a time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Learn more: https://isp.ku.edu/</p>
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