



# WESTERN'S ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

## WESL INSTITUTE IS AN INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM

WESL has a well-developed program that has been in existence since 1977. The WESL Institute is accredited by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation and is one of only four accredited programs in the State of Illinois. Students have the opportunity to study English in a supportive environment. Most graduates of the program go on to pursue a degree in the US. Participants in its short-term programs return to their countries with a high degree of English proficiency and a better understanding of the US. WESL provides participants with a safe, friendly atmosphere for study and a variety of cultural activities and field trip opportunities.

## WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY IS JUST...

A few hours away from Chicago, St. Louis, and Springfield

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## PROGRAM WESL:

- Three levels of study: Foundation (Beginning), Intermediate and University Preparation (Advanced)
- Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking, Grammar, Integrated Skills and Research Writing classes meet 20 hours weekly
- 16-week programs in fall (August - December) and spring (January - May)
- 10-week program in summer (May - July)
- Short-term programs by arrangement

## Admission & Application Information

[www.wiu.edu/wesl](http://www.wiu.edu/wesl)



## Study English and Get a Degree in Illinois!

A public university with 10,000+ students, Western Illinois University has the advantages of a large university at a modest price.

- WIU was established in 1899 and is a fully accredited university
- Over 60 undergraduate degree programs, 37 graduate degree programs, and 2 doctorate programs
- One faculty member for every 16 students
- Affordable tuition and low housing costs
- Scholarships available
- Excellent student support services
- Free bus service and year-round housing
- Free tutoring, writing center and Career Development Center
- Cultural activities to help ease students' transition to living and studying in the United States
- TOEFL requirements are 533 or 73 on iBT (IELTS 6.0); iTEP 3.7 for admission to WIU
- Students without the necessary ESL scores may enroll in the WESL Institute. ESL requirement is satisfied upon successful completion of the WESL program
- International student orientation the week prior to each semester
- Located in a beautiful, safe community with a population of 20,000
- WIU is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools
- Many programs are accredited (AACSB, ABET, ATMAE, and more)

## TOTAL COSTS PER YEAR

For WESL Institute **tuition/fee** information, please visit the Center for International Studies online at [www.wiu.edu/wesl](http://www.wiu.edu/wesl) and click on the **WESL link**. You may apply directly online by clicking on the Admissions link.

If you are interested in any of our programs and would like to request information, please contact us!

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of WESL Institute is to provide an intensive English program that prepares international students academically, socially, and culturally for success at a United States university.

## International Student Orientation

A ten-day welcome program introduces new international students to the campus and community starting with complimentary pickup at the Quad Cities International airport or the Macomb train station.

- Information Sessions covering topics such as registering for classes, student health insurance, housing and dining, safety and legal issues, and many other topics of importance to international students
- Opportunities to meet American students and community members at events such as the American Culture Night and the Community Potluck Picnic
- Orientation volunteers welcome new students by answering questions and accompanying students around campus
- Banking trips and Shopping trips
- Residence hall move-in assistance

