

Program Name English as a Second Language (ESL)

Brief Program Description Tamwood's ESL program consists of several courses that students may choose from in their enrollment period. All of the courses are designed for international students seeking practice, exposure and improvement in English as a Second Language. The program consists of six General English courses and five Specialty English courses.

A. GENERAL ENGLISH COURSES

Students can take a minimum of 20 hours\* per week (Essential English /15hrs + one elective / 5hrs) with the options of adding either one more elective course (5 hours/ week) or 1 more elective course and the English for Real Life Workshop course (6 hours per week). These General English course options are explained below:

1. **Essential English Skills** course (15 hours per week / six possible levels) and the option of students taking up to three different elective courses. Elective courses provide additional practice and instruction in the skills learned in the Essential English Skills courses.
2. **Reading and Writing Elective course** (5 hours per week / 6 possible levels)
3. **Listening and Speaking Elective course** (5 hours per week / 6 possible levels)
4. **Conversation, Pronunciation and Vocabulary elective course** (5 hours per week / 6 possible levels)
5. **English for Real Life Skills course** (5 hours per week / 2 levels)
6. **Private Tuition** (hours per week decided by student / all levels)

B. SPECIALTY ENGLISH COURSES:

1. **International Business English Course** (25 hours per week)
2. **FCE** (25 hours per week)
3. **CAE** (25 hours per week)
4. **University Pathway Program Course (UPP)** (25 hours per week)
5. **IELTS – Pre UPP** (25 hours per week)

\*One teaching hour = 50 minutes (except for the Private Tuition course in which one teaching hour = 60 minutes)

Career Opportunities	There are no specific career opportunities leading from this program.
Credential awarded	Certificate of Completion and Letter of Completion.
Admission Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicants who wish to qualify as domestic students must produce valid documentation confirming their legal status as Canadian citizens or permanent residents.</li> <li>• Applicants who are classified as International students must meet the requirements for international students studying in Canada as laid down by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.</li> <li>• By the time applicants plan to finish their program, they must be at least 17 years old to be eligible for courses at Vancouver and Toronto Campuses and at least 16 years old for Whistler campus. Any applicants under 19 years of age requires a parent/legal guardian's permission, as indicated on the application form.</li> <li>• Student must meet the Language Proficiency requirements as outlined in the Language Proficiency Assessment Policy</li> <li>• All students must complete payment due to Tamwood according to Tamwood Payment Schedule.</li> <li>• All students attending a Tamwood program must have valid medical insurance for their entire study period. Students who do not provide Tamwood with proof of valid medical insurance on their first day of classes can purchase their insurance through Tamwood. No student will be allowed to attend a Tamwood program until they have provided Tamwood with proof of valid medical insurance.</li> <li>• All students agree to accept the Tamwood Cancellation and Refund Policies.</li> </ul>
Required Textbooks	<p><b>General English Courses</b></p> <p><u>Essential English Skills</u></p> <p>Level 2: New Cutting Edge Elementary</p> <p>Level 3: New Cutting Edge Pre-Intermediate</p> <p>Level 4: New Cutting Edge Intermediate</p> <p>Level 5: New Cutting Edge Upper Intermediate</p>

Level 6: New Cutting Edge Advanced  
Level 7: Proficiency Masterclass Student Book

Specialized English Courses

International Business English: Market Leader: Upper Intermediate

IELTS – Pre-UPP: Focus on IELTS by Sue O’ Connell

UPP: North Star 4: Reading and Writing; North Star 4: Listening and Speaking

FCE: Complete First

CAE: Complete Advanced

Equipment  
required for this  
Program

There is no specific equipment required for the General English or  
Specialized English courses.

List the number of  
hours of homework  
a student can  
expect to have to  
complete

Homework hours depend on the course and are specified on course  
outlines. Homework hours per course range from 0 to 2.5 hours per week.

Delivery Methods

On-site classroom delivery.

Instructional  
Methods

**Method of Delivery**

Each course is delivered in a  
classroom (instructor-led). See specific  
course outlines

**Contact Hours**

Each course, except for elective  
courses and private tuition has  
contact hours of  
20, 25 or 30 hours\* per week.  
The minimum number of contact  
hours for students is 20 hours per  
week. (\*1 teaching hour = 50  
minutes)

Learning  
Objectives/Outcomes

Upon completion of any course in this program, students will have improved  
their proficiency and knowledge in all English skills: reading, writing, listening  
and speaking. Each course in the program has specific learning outcomes which  
are detailed on each course outline.

Student Progress/  
Assessment  
Methods      The methods of assessment of this program vary from course to course include formative and summative assessments, and are set out in the course outlines.

Attendance  
Expectations      Students are expected to maintain an attendance rate of at least 80%.

Dress Expectations      There is no dress code.

Graduation  
Requirements      Minimum requirements for graduation from the General English course, students must have:

- 80% attendance and punctuality
- achieved a 50% average or more on the weekly test results
- completed 80% of homework
- participated in learning activities that are integral to the course
- adhered to the English-only rule.

Minimum requirements to graduate from the Specialty English courses, students must have

- 80% attendance and punctuality
- completed 80% of homework
- adhered to the English-only rule
- participated in learning activities that are integral to the course

If students meet these requirements, students will receive a certificate of completion and a letter of completion.

**Program Organization**

<b>Name of Course/Subject</b>	<b># of Hours *</b>
Essential English Skills course	15 per week
Reading and Writing course	5 per week
Listening and Speaking elective course	5 per week
Conversation, Pronunciation, Vocabulary elective course	5 per week
English for Real Life Workshop elective course	5 per week
Private Tuition course	5 per week (minimum)
International Business English course	25 per week
CAE	25 per week
FCE	25 per week
UPP	25 per week
IELTS – Pre UPP	25 per week

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