

Proposal

Acceptance of successful completion at The Language Company as an additional way to meet the English language mastery requirement for International Student Admission Purposes:

Successful completion of Level 9 for undergraduate international students **AND**
Successful completion of Advanced Proficiency Level (APL) for graduate international students

Rationale

- For over 25 years, The Language Company (TLC) has provided English as a Second Language instruction and cultural opportunities to individuals seeking educational, professional, and personal enrichment. TLC currently has ten centers in the United States offering intensive English language programs. Each center focuses on preparing students for life at an American university by teaching English and academic skills together.
- The intensive English language program at all of The Language Company centers are accredited by the Accrediting Association for Continuing Education and Training (ACCET).
- All The Language Company centers are members in good standing in the American Association of Intensive English Programs (AAIEP).
- The intensive English language program at The Language Company consists of nine levels of intensive English study. Each level meets from twenty to twenty-six hours per week. Classes include structure and speaking, reading, writing, and electives. Electives allow students to study in areas of interest as well as practice skills recommended by the TLC advisor before attending a university for an undergraduate program. Elective classes include vocabulary, academic skills, drama, idioms and slang, current events, listening, conversation, advanced English seminar, oral presentation, language laboratory, petroleum English (English for petroleum engineering), TOEFL focus/preparation, pronunciation, business English, American history and government, and American culture and film.
- The intensive English language program at The Language Company also offers Advanced Proficiency Level (APL) which prepares international students for academic life in a U.S. graduate program. The APL consists of four independent modules organized topically to categories of academic writing demanded of students at the higher levels of university studies.

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