English for Academic Purposes, English as a Second Language and Basic Language Skills

Information related to all students

- Students are tested on their English level when they arrive using the Oxford Placement test
- There are three English language programs at Canadore College: BLS (Basic Language Skills), ESL (English as a Second Language) and EAP (English for Academic Purposes)
  - To enter into a post-secondary program students must
    - Graduate from EAP with an average of 2.0 or
    - Write and English language competency test (preferably IELTS) and must obtain a minimum equivalent to IELTS 5.5
- Each semester will run on Canadore’s 7-1-7 model. Spring summer session has no Reading Week
  - 7 weeks in class
  - 1 week Reading Week (time to do assignments/projects)
  - 7 weeks in class
- “Summer holidays” would need to be arranged around the required 14 weeks of study.
  - Students who start in September and have successfully completed Semester 1 and Semester 2 of the EAP Ontario College Certificate program at the end of April, will have a summer holiday.
- There is no fee for staying in residence over the Christmas holidays
- For parents to get a visa to visit Canada
  - Canadore’s International Department will give you a letter indicating you are studying at Canadore
  - Parents will get an invitation letter for your graduation only
- Tuition fees for language programming delivered in the summer months (BLS, ESL Semester1 or ESL Semester 2) will be the same as programming delivered in other semesters.
- Students who graduate from the EAP program with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and are going into the post-secondary program at Canadore will receive a scholarship of $1500 through the International Office
- Residence will be open in the summer
  - $575 per month – must stay for 4 months
  - $60 a day if not staying for 4 months
- Semester 1 of the EAP Ontario College Certificate will start in September, and depending on demand, January and May. Semester 2 of the EAP Certificate will start in January and depending on demand, May and September
Many post-secondary programs only start in September.

Any student can challenge the need for language training by providing proof of and IELTS test score of 5.5 or higher, or equivalent

**EAP - English for Academic Purposes**

- Students with an IELTS score of 4 or higher, or equivalent, would study in the EAP program.
- Canadore’s current EAP (English for Academic Purposes) Ontario College Certificate is accepted as the admission standard for the English language requirement into a post-secondary program at Canadore provided the student meets the academic requirements and there is space available in the program.
- Students wanting to pursue the EAP Ontario College Certificate would need to complete both Semester 1 and Semester 2 successfully and have an accumulated GPA of 2.0.
- Our EAP Ontario College Certificate program is 8 months (2 academic semesters of 14 weeks) in length.
- Semester 1 of the EAP Ontario College Certificate starts in September.
  - January starts may be available, depending on demand. Semester 2 of the EAP Certificate will start in January and depending on demand, in May.

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ESL – *English as a Second Language*

- Students with an IELTS score between 2.5 and 4.0 or equivalent would study in the ESL program.
- Successful completion of the ESL college certificate program requires completing both semester 1 and semester 2 with an accumulated GPA of 2.0.
- Successful completion of Canadore’s ESL certificate program does not meet the requirements of the admission standard into a post-secondary program.
- Students who have successfully completed the ESL certificate program who want to study in a post-secondary program can:
  - Study in the EAP Ontario College Certificate program for an additional two semesters.
  - Write and English language competency test (preferably IELTS) and must obtain a minimum of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent.

- Our ESL certificate program is 8 months (2 academic semesters or 14 weeks) in length.
- Semester 1 of the ESL certificate starts in September.
  - There could be January and May starts, depending on demand. Semester 2 of the ESL certificate starts in January, and May or September starts are based on demand.

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**BLS – Basic Language Skills**

- Students with an IELTS score of 2 or below would study in the BLS program
- BLS is 14 weeks (one academic semester) in length.
- BLS students who successfully complete the one semester BLS program can enter ESL Certificate program (see information above for pathway information from ESL to EAP and on to post-secondary programs)
- The program starts in September.
  - There may be January and May starts, depending on demand.

**Pathways to Post-Secondary Programs through ESL**

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