

## Application Process

To apply, a student must have graduated from high school or received an equivalent diploma from a secondary school. If a student is under 18, the student may enroll in the program under the supervision of a parent or guardian.

## How to Apply

- Application
- Non-refundable \$30 application fee
- Official Bank Statement and Sponsor's Guarantee
- High School Diploma or Official College Transcript
- Visa Information (if currently in the USA)
- On-Campus placement exam

The ESL program accepts students at all advanced levels. Students are required to take the ESL placement test at the start of the program to determine placement level.

On line application materials and Information can be found at:  
<http://otterbein.abroadoffice.net/united-states.html>

## Tuition

Students who wish to attend the ESL program at Otterbein pay tuition and fees at levels established especially for this program. The current tuition rate is \$2310\* per 7-week period. An additional \$120 fee is required for the purchase of books. International students are also required to obtain insurance provided by the university.

\*Tuition amount is subject to change. Current tuition amounts, as well as the cost of insurance and room and board, can be found at: <http://otterbein.abroadoffice.net/tuitionandpayment.html>

Includes access to:

- Otterbein Library
- Computer Labs
- Gymnasium
- Weight Training Center
- Laundry Facilities (if living in campus housing)
- Student & Faculty sponsored events on campus



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# English as a Second Language

*Don't Just Learn  
English...*

*Experience it.*

PASSPORT



# The Otterbein Way



## An Integrated Approach

Learning a language does not effectively occur when you are separated from the culture in which it is used. Even studying English in a culture in which it is used does not guarantee you will be put in situations in which you can use and practice the language. That is why Otterbein takes a different approach. Rather than teach skills in isolation, the English as a Second Language program (ESL) at Otterbein University uses a holistic method of language learning. The program combines the language skills of speaking, listening, reading, and writing while developing academic skills such as research and note taking.

### Inside the Classroom

- o Focus on a variety of relevant and interesting topics
- o Engage in authentic communication
- o Be a part of a dynamic student centered learning environment
- o Acquire language in a natural and meaningful way

### Westerville, Ohio

- o One of the most desirable places to live in the U.S according to Money Magazine.
- o Small town charm in close proximity to the major American metropolitan city of Columbus.
- o Close to numerous recreational and sporting venues as well as amusement parks, museums, theaters, and shopping malls.
- o Access to extensive bike paths, scenic areas for hiking, and various parks for camping.

### Out in the Community

- o Befriend an American family
- o Participate in abundant cultural and historical activities
- o Be integrated into campus housing and life
- o Build long-lasting relationships with American students

## Seven Weeks of Immersion

The seven-week ESL session is an intensive program designed to immerse students in English language instruction four days per week: Monday through Thursday for four hours per day. During the fall and spring sessions, ESL students meet for conversation practice\* with an American student 2 hours per week for a total of 126 contact hours per session. Students who successfully complete the Advanced Level of the ESL program can matriculate into Otterbein with the appropriate institutional TOEFL score and instructors' recommendation. Students studying at the Advanced Level may concurrently take courses at Otterbein, which are not language intensive (ex. math, art, etc.).

# Be Engaged. Be Immersed.

## Instructional Staff

All ESL teachers have advanced degrees in TESL. Instructors are carefully selected for their experience in teaching English for academic purposes, cross-cultural awareness, and commitment to helping young adults achieve academic success.

## Course List\*

- o ESL 0400: Introduction to Conversation, Linguistic Patterns of English and American Culture I
- o ESL 0500: Introduction to Conversation, Linguistic Patterns of English and American Culture II
- o ESL 0600: Intermediate ESL I
- o ESL 0700: Intermediate ESL II
- o ESL 0800: Intermediate ESL III
- o ESL 0900: Advanced ESL

\* Course offerings can vary depending on enrollment

## University Advising

Otterbein staff assists our students in their studies and advises them on their academic and career goals. University entrance advising is recommended to all students interested in matriculating to universities in the U.S. Our academic advisors work with our students to schedule classes, recommend universities and academic concentrations, provide information on portfolio requirements, and assist in university planning.

## Housing

Students of ESL at Otterbein are encouraged to live on campus. On-campus housing is available but not guaranteed. Housing preferences for on-campus or off-campus lodging should be communicated when the application is submitted.

## Extra Opportunities & Activities

Do you like to attend major sporting events? Go ice skating? Visit world-class zoos or amusement parks? Otterbein University is in a prime location, offering students the opportunity to have the comfort of the suburbs with access to a vibrant city within minutes. You will have the opportunity to choose from any of the following exciting activities:

- o Attend concerts with the Columbus Symphony Orchestra
- o Visit art museums and galleries
- o Shop in small boutiques in the "Short North" in downtown Columbus or gigantic shopping centers ("malls") north of the city
- o Take a walk through the beautiful Metro Parks
- o Go hiking, camping, or canoeing in one of the nearby state parks

