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Welcome

Welcome to Griffith English Language Institute (GELI), one of Australia's leading English language providers.

At GELI, your individual goals are important, regardless of whether you want to improve your English for study, work, travel or personal interest. Our classes are small so you will receive individual attention from your teachers. You will also have access to a range of free online resources to help you develop your English skills outside class.

We have a strong focus on providing excellent learning opportunities for all our students. In your classes you will have highly-qualified and experienced teachers. Outside the classroom you can continue to improve your English through fun social activities, and adventures exploring our beautiful natural environment. We invite you to enjoy the vibrant and supportive campus culture and immerse yourself in English. Not only will your language skills improve quickly, but you will make friends with students from all around the world.

Congratulations on your decision to study abroad, and we look forward to meeting you at GELI!

Kerry Sutcliffe

Director (GELI)





About GELI

For over 30 years, Griffith University's award-winning Griffith English Language Institute (GELI) has been delivering English language programs to international students.



Direct Entry Program

Gain entry to a Griffith University degree, Study Abroad or Exchange program, or a Griffith College program.



Griffith University facilities

Access facilities including the library, computer labs, sporting facilities, and health and welfare services.



Award-winning excellence

Multi award-winning institute and recipient of University, state and national industry awards.



Independent Learning

Follow weekly independent learning plans to enhance your English language skills.



Griffith English Test

Take our free online English test to find your English class placement level for Griffith English Language Institute.



Courses for all students

Improve your English for study, work, travel or personal interest.



Student engagement program

Enjoy opportunities to practise English and make new friends outside the classroom with a range of free and low-cost activities that are offered every term.

Our location

You can study at GELI on two of Griffith University's campuses, either at the Gold Coast or Nathan (Brisbane) campus. Classes, support services and activities are all available at both.



Find out more
griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith



Nathan campus

12.9km to Brisbane CBD

- Car = 15 minutes
- Bus = 20 minutes
- Bicycle = 50 minutes



Gold Coast campus

4.5km to Southport CBD

- Car = 10 minutes
- Light rail = 9 minutes
- Bicycle = 20 minutes

60.9km to Brisbane CBD

- Car = 60 minutes
- Student Guild intercampus bus = 75 minutes

Picture courtesy of City of Gold Coast

Learn English at GELI

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Your direct English pathway to a Griffith University degree, Study Abroad or Exchange program, or a Griffith College program.

Direct Entry Program

Join our highly popular Direct Entry Program to gain the English skills necessary to enter a Griffith University degree or a program at Griffith College.

There are seven levels in the Direct Entry program and you will be placed in the appropriate class for you based on your proficiency test or your Griffith English Test result.

In our classes, you will use technology to access your learning materials and complete your class work.

In the Direct Entry Program, you will build your English language skills in Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking, and at the higher levels you will practise academic skills that will help you to be successful in your future studies.

When you successfully complete the Direct Entry Program at the equivalent of the IELTS level needed for your degree or diploma, you can enter your program directly without needing to submit a proficiency test result.*

General English

Our English courses are not just for people wanting to go to university. We know there is a variety of reasons you may want to improve your English. No matter whether you are beginner or advanced, you can enrol in our General English program to achieve your goals. You will receive all the benefits of studying on the Griffith University campus and have access to leading student support services and activities.

If you change your study preferences and decide that you would like to apply to Griffith University or Griffith College at a later date, you will already be on the pathway to undertake further study.

English study tours and group programs

We offer specialised English programs that are tailored to each group's specific requirements, including cultural activities, field trips, visits, excursions and accommodation arrangements.

Fees

All GELI weekly fees include tuition, the learning resources you need to study, and access to activities and support services.

Up to 25 weeks: **\$460 per week**

26+ weeks: **\$430 per week**

Enrolment fee: **\$225**

Griffith English Test

Take our free online English test to find your English class placement level for Griffith English Language Institute.†

griffith.edu.au/english-test

†If you already have an English proficiency test result (e.g. IELTS), you do not need to take the Griffith English Test.

*A small number of degrees require a formal proficiency test for entry. Check the English language entry requirements for your degree at griffith.edu.au/international-study

How long will I need to study at GELI?

This table shows how long you are likely to need to study to achieve IELTS 6.5 to enter your next program based on your current proficiency test results.

| Griffith University degree or Griffith College program (requiring IELTS 6.5*) | | ENTRY SCORES | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | IELTS Academic | PTE Academic | TOEFL iBT | ISLPR |
| Direct Entry Program | WEEKS | 6.5 (no sub-score <6.0) | 58 (no Comm Skill <50) | 79 (no sub-score <19) | 3+ (all sub-scores) |
| | 10 | 6.0 (no sub-score <5.5) | 50 (no Comm Skill <42) | 71 (W 19, L,R,S 17) | W3 (2 scores 3, 1 score 2+) |
| | 20 | 5.5 (no sub-score <5.0, W 5.5) | 42 (no Comm Skill <36, W 42) | 52 (W 17, S 15, L,R 10) | 2+ (all sub-scores) |
| | 25 | 5.5 (no sub-score <5.0) | 42 (no Comm Skill <36) | 52 (W,S 15, L,R 10) | W2+ (2 scores 2+, 1 score 2) |
| | 30 | 5.0 (no sub-score <4.5, W 5.0) | 36 (no Comm Skill <30, W 36) | 40 (W 15, S 13, L,R 6) | 2 (all sub-scores) |
| | 10 - 50 weeks | 5.0 (no sub-score <4.5) | 36 (no Comm Skill <30) | 40 (W,S 13, L,R 6) | W2 (2 scores 2, 1 score 1+) |
| | 40 | 4.5 (no sub-score <4.0, W 4.5) | 30 (no Comm Skill <29, W 30) | 33 (W 13, S 12, L,R 4) | 1+ (all sub-scores) |
| | 45 | 4.5 (no sub-score <4.0) | 30 (no Comm Skill <29) | 33 (W,S 12, L,R 4) | W1+ (2 scores 1+, 1 score 1) |
| | over 45 | 4.0 or lower | 29 or lower | 32 or lower | 1 or lower |

Key: W = Writing, L = Listening, R = Reading, S = Speaking, < = less than, Comm Skill = Communicative Skill.

*Check the English language entry requirements for your degree at griffith.edu.au/international-study

Please note: it normally takes 10–15 weeks to progress from one level to the next. This table indicates expected course length for students requiring IELTS 6.5.

Sample timetable (DEP Level 5)

| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 9 to 10am | Grammar and Vocabulary | Reading and Critical Thinking | Grammar and Vocabulary | Listening and Speaking | Grammar and Vocabulary Review |
| 10 to 11am | Reading and Critical Thinking | Reading and Critical Thinking | Reading and Critical Thinking | Listening and Speaking | Writing |
| 11 to 11:30am | Break | | | | |
| 11:30am to 12:30pm | Writing | Listening and Speaking | Writing | Writing | Project |
| 12:30 to 1:30pm | Writing | Listening and Speaking | Writing | Writing | Project |



GELI classes

Class sizes at GELI are small so you will receive personal attention from your teachers and progress quickly through your studies.

There are 20 hours of study per week, plus an additional 5 hours of independent learning each week using GELI's independent learning plans. You will need a laptop with a camera and microphone to access learning resources and for some class activities.

Classes are held daily Monday to Friday in two 2-hour sessions with a break between the sessions.

PTE Academic Test Centre

Griffith's PTE Academic Test Centre is located on the Gold Coast campus. PTE Academic is a computer-based test of English language proficiency for study, migration and professional registration. Tests results are typically available within five business days.

pearsonpte.com

PTE ACADEMIC™



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/english-programs

Where to live

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Whether you would like to live on-campus or off-campus, there are several options you can explore to find housing to suit your needs. Homestay is another great option and allows you to experience life with a local family and practise your English while you study.

Temporary and short stay accommodation

It is vitally important that you organise temporary accommodation for your first few days or weeks in Queensland, as it is important that you inspect your long-term off-campus accommodation before you move in. There are short-term accommodation options located near each of our campuses that are easily accessible by public transport.

Off-campus

In Australia, share housing—where you share a house or apartment with a number of other students—is the most common form of off-campus accommodation.

When looking for suitable off-campus accommodation, you will need to consider:

- the cost of rent (usually advertised as a weekly amount)
- if utilities are included in your rent (electricity, water, gas)
- if internet is included in your rent
- if the accommodation is furnished
- how close the accommodation is to your campus
- access to public transport

Off-campus accommodation preferred partners

Griffith University has established preferred partnerships with a selection of off-campus student accommodation providers across its campuses between Brisbane and the Gold Coast. To be included in this program, providers are inspected by University staff and are required to meet a set of performance standards that ensures quality and safety.

Brisbane

Genesis 1; Scape; Student One; UniLodge Park Central; Uniresort.

Logan

UniCentral Griffith.

Gold Coast

University Village; Metro on Central; University Square.

Homestay

Homestay accommodation gives you the option of living with an Australian family while you study. Homestay is available to students at all Griffith campuses. Some homestay providers offer independent living options such as a granny flat. Homestay is a great way to develop your English language skills and experience life in Australia, and offers catered and self-catered options.

griffith.edu.au/homestay

You can find additional resources for homestay options on the Gold Coast on the Study Gold Coast website at studygoldcoast.org.au/live/student-accommodation

On-campus

Griffith offers self-catered accommodation on the Nathan campus and partners with Campus Living Villages to provide self-catered, on-campus accommodation in the Griffith University Village on the Gold Coast campus.

Living on campus is a fantastic way to meet new people, find out about new cultures, and develop independence. On-campus accommodation is fully furnished and provides access to cooking facilities, laundry facilities, common rooms and internet, as well as offering a vibrant social life.

Airport pickup

International students commencing at GELI can apply for a free airport pickup, which takes you from the airport directly to your pre-arranged accommodation. The service is free for eligible new international students arriving at the Brisbane or Gold Coast airports.

griffith.edu.au/airport-reception



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/where-to-live

Cost of living

There are many different costs involved in international study and your cost of living in Australia will vary depending on your lifestyle and personal requirements.

South East Queensland offers a combination of quality education and high living standards.

The cost of living in South East Queensland is considered more affordable than other major Australian cities such as Sydney and Melbourne*.

The Australian Government requires students to have access to a minimum of AUD \$24,505 (Australian dollars) per year to meet their living costs, but many students spend more than this. Costs will be higher if you have family members accompanying you.

* In the QS Best Student Cities 2023 rankings, Brisbane and the Gold Coast are ahead of Sydney and Melbourne in the Affordability Rank.

Calculating your total cost of study

Your total cost of studying in Australia will include:

- tuition fees
- visa application fees
- Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
- flights
- cost of living
- other personal and study-related expenses.

Tuition fees

Tuition fees are reviewed annually, and international students should expect an increase in fees each year.

Weekly cost of living estimate

The majority of the information below is based on 2023 costs according to Study Australia** (for more details visit: studyaustralia.gov.au/english/live/living-costs). Please be advised it is an estimate only and individual differences mean prices will vary. Please note these costs do not include: arrival costs, accommodation security deposit, textbooks, clothing and medical expenses.

| | Self-catered on-campus | Share house off-campus | Homestay off-campus |
|----------------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| Campus availability | N | G, N, M, S, L | G, N, M, S, L |
| Rent | \$166–\$394 | \$220–\$440 | \$275–\$360 |
| Food | \$140–\$280 | \$180–\$280 | Variable* |
| Transport to university | Walking distance | \$30–\$60 | \$30–\$60 |
| Electricity and gas | Included | \$25–\$50 | Included† |
| Mobile phone and internet | \$15–\$30 (Internet included at Gold Coast and Nathan campuses). | \$15–\$30 | \$15–\$30 |
| Entertainment | \$100–\$200 | \$100–\$200 | \$100–\$200 |

* Fully-catered Homestay accommodation includes food. The cost of fully-catered, semi-catered or self-catered Homestay accommodation will vary.

† Students can expect to pay an additional cost for heating and air conditioning.

** These costs were calculated in May 2023



GELI Excellence Award

The GELI Excellence Award is designed to reward outstanding students who progress well in their studies and embrace the GELI experience. Winners receive \$1,000 AUD and are announced at the end of each study period.

griffith.edu.au/geli/scholarships-awards



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/international-costs

Your student experience

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Enjoy the advantages of studying on a Griffith University campus while you learn English at GELI. We have facilities and services that will help you study, meet people, pursue your interests and practise English.



Academic workshops

GELI offers free after-class workshops to assist you to improve in specific skill areas such as grammar and vocabulary.



Activities and Events

At GELI, learning English does not stop when you leave the classroom. Through our activities you can meet new people, make friends, enjoy the Australian lifestyle, practise English and, most importantly, have fun!



Library and computer labs

GELI students have access to Griffith University libraries, which have computers available for study and a free WIFI connection.

griffith.edu.au/library



Clubs and societies

Griffith has over 120 clubs in cultural, religious, political, educational, sporting, professional and special interest areas. There are also international student clubs, societies and associations, including from: Africa, Bangladesh, China, Pacific Islands (Pasifika), Philippines, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Papua New Guinea, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam.

griffith.edu.au/clubs

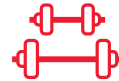


Health and wellbeing

If you need a doctor, there are health and medical services located on the Gold Coast and Nathan campuses, as well as medical centres and hospitals near each campus.

If you need someone to talk to about personal issues, we offer free, confidential student counselling on campus.

griffith.edu.au/student-services



Sport and fitness

Griffith offers a variety of sporting facilities and competitions. Join Griffith Sport for social sport competitions. Enjoy discount student memberships for facilities including:

- on-campus gyms
- Mt Gravatt Tennis Centre
- swimming pools at Mt Gravatt and Gold Coast campuses.

griffith.edu.au/sport



Independent Learning

Your study at GELI includes additional online independent learning resources specially designed to support your class work. We encourage you to follow the weekly independent learning plan for your class level.



International Student Advisory

If you need extra information or support, make an in-person or online appointment with an International Student Advisor. International Student Advisors provide information to support you to manage your life and your studies within the conditions of your student visa. Our team of dedicated and highly experienced staff can answer any questions throughout your time on campus and help guide you towards academic success.

griffith.edu.au/international-student-advisors



Religion

Each Griffith campus provides access to prayer facilities as well as multi-faith chaplains. A Prayer Room is available at the Gold Coast campus.

griffith.edu.au/chaplaincy



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/geli/student-life

How to apply

Applying to study at GELI is easy. With applications open all year round, you can complete your application in five simple steps.

01

Choose the English program you want to study

See English language program options at griffith.edu.au/english-programs.

02

If necessary, test your English language, grammar and vocabulary

If you do not hold a proficiency test result (e.g. IELTS), take our free online English test to find your English class placement level.

griffith.edu.au/geli

03

Prepare supporting documentation

Include certified copies of any required documentation (translated into English if applicable).

04

Apply online

Apply online or via a registered recruitment representative. We will let you know how many weeks of English you need to complete to achieve your study goals in your Letter of Offer.

If you are also applying for a Griffith University degree or Study Abroad or Exchange program, you will receive a packaged offer.

griffith.edu.au/geli/apply

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Accept your offer

Once you have received a Letter of Offer, you must formally accept your offer and pay your total deposit fee.

After you accept your offer

Once you have accepted your offer, Griffith University will:

- send you a Welcome Letter confirming your enrolment;
- send you an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCOE) if you are applying for a student visa;
- provide information about Orientation;
- send you a series of emails with information to assist your transition to study at GELI.



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/geli/apply



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Student Guide

Key dates

| 2024 | Orientation | Start date |
|---------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Term 1 | 14 and 18 December 2023 | 2 January |
| Term 2 | 1 and 2 February | 5 February |
| Term 3 | 7 and 8 March | 11 March |
| Term 4 | 11 and 12 April | 15 April |
| Term 5 | 16 and 17 May | 20 May |
| Term 6 | 20 and 21 June | 24 June |
| Term 7 | 25 and 26 July | 29 July |
| Term 8 | 29 and 30 August | 2 September |
| Term 9 | 3 and 4 October | 8 October |
| Term 10 | 7 and 8 November | 11 November |

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