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English Language Services at Illinois Institute of Technology

Did you know that Illinois Tech has a department devoted exclusively to helping international students and scholars develop the communication skills they need for success? English Language Services (ELS) offers language instruction relevant to the academic, personal, and professional needs of the Illinois Tech community.

Every year, English Language Services provides innovative and student-centered English language instruction in all Illinois Tech colleges for students in various programs, building communication and critical thinking skills in unique, interdisciplinary classroom environments.

ELS offers several options for international students to refine their language and communication proficiency:

**English Language Program**
The English Language Program provides courses for currently admitted international undergraduate and graduate students who need to improve their English language skills in both professional and social interactions.

**Intensive English Program**
Offered in spring, summer, and fall, this 12-week program gives students the opportunity to meet new people from different countries and cultures and to experience Chicago while preparing for their careers and further academic study.

**Professional Communication Advancement Program**
In partnership with Stuart School of Business, ELS provides the customized and targeted Professional Communication Advancement program to help graduate business students achieve success during their time at Stuart and as they move into the job market and global business environment.

**English + Design**
Created in collaboration with Illinois Tech's Institute of Design, this unique program combines graduate-level coursework in design with focused language instruction.

**Group Programs**
Specially-designed packages offering customized English language instruction along with cultural field trips, transportation, and housing can be created to accommodate groups visiting Illinois Tech.

**Additional Resources**
- SPEAK, a lunchtime English conversation group that meets each fall and spring to discuss topics of interest to Illinois Tech students ranging from food to team building to traveling.
- A list of professional private tutors for hire to assist students in meeting their individualized communication goals.
- Online resources that students and professionals can use to augment their language study.

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