WELC
WESTERN ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTRE
Western UNIVERSITY · CANADA
Founded in 1878, Western University is a popular choice for international students. With more than 400 undergraduate programs and 88 graduate programs, we’re one of the largest universities in Ontario.

We offer Canada’s Best Student Experience. You will grow academically and personally as well as develop leadership skills needed for global challenges.

TOP THREE REASONS TO CHOOSE WESTERN

1. Top-Ranked University
   - Top 1% of universities in the world
   - Top-10 research-intensive university in Canada
   - Our MBA program (Hvey Business School) is ranked #1 in Canada

2. International Connections
   - Top-10 Alumni Network in the world
   - More than 284,000 Western alumni in 156 countries
   - 4,300 international students from 127 different countries

3. High Employment Rate
   - Co-op and internship opportunities
   - 86.7% graduation rate
   - 94.6% of students find employment after graduation

LONDON

With over a million trees, London is known as the “Forest City.” London has the conveniences and diversity of a big city combined with the safety, affordability and charm of a mid-sized community.

CANADA

With employment and immigration opportunities after graduation, Canada is one of the top international student destinations with more than 495,000 international students.
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Undergraduate Options*
- Arts and Humanities
- Engineering
- Foods and Nutrition
- Health Sciences
- Kinesiology
- Management and Organizational Studies (MOS)
- Media, Information & Technoculture
- Medical Sciences
- Science
- Social Science

*Faculties and programs listed are eligible options for Western English Language Centre applicants. For the full list of undergraduate programs at Western University, please visit: uwo.ca

Graduate Degrees
- 88 graduate degree programs
- 31 graduate certificate courses
- Pursue research while working under world-famous experts

For more information about these programs, please visit: grad.uwo.ca/explore

MEET OUR CAMPUSES

THE UNIVERSITY COLLEGES

Brescia, Huron and King’s University Colleges are affiliated campuses of Western University. Within steps of Western, you will benefit from a small-campus experience while having access to all facilities and services at Western. Graduating from these campuses means you will receive a Western degree.

Brescia University College
- Founded in 1919, Brescia University College is Canada’s only women’s university. With approximately 1,500 students, Brescia offers small classes, personal attention from faculty and staff, interactive teaching and engaging leadership opportunities.

Graduate Degrees
- 51 graduate degree programs
- 11 graduate certificate courses
- Pursue research while working under world-famous experts

For the full list of academic programs at Brescia University College, please visit: brescia.uwo.ca

Huron University College
- Founded in 1863, Huron University College has challenged students to be Leaders with Heart. As the founding institution of Western University, Huron has remained strategically small to best serve the needs of its students with elite, yet accessible, education.

Graduate Degrees
- 42 graduate degree programs
- 9 graduate certificate courses
- Pursue research while working under world-famous experts

For the full list of academic programs at Huron University College, please visit: huronuc.ca

King’s University College
- Founded in 1954 and is committed to maintaining a supportive, diverse and inclusive academic community. With its renowned quality of teaching faculty, King’s is a centre of teaching excellence and a top-ranked institution of higher learning in Canada.

Graduate Degrees
- 23 graduate degree programs
- 21 graduate certificate courses
- Pursue research while working under world-famous experts

For the full list of academic programs at King’s University College, please visit: kings.uwo.ca

Languages

Western University, Canada’s largest and most internationally diverse University, operates two English language tuition centres, the Western English Language Centre (WELC) at Western and Lakehead Universities. The WELC is the largest tuition centre of its kind in Canada. Students at Western University benefit from having access to both the Western English Language Centre WELC) at Western and Lakehead Universities. The WELC is the largest tuition centre of its kind in Canada. Students at Western University benefit from having access to both WELC and Lakehead’s English Language Program (ELP) located on the Lakehead campus. The WELC offers a variety of English language courses designed to help students achieve their academic goals and develop the skills necessary for academic success.

WELC provides a range of English language courses, including academic English, business English, and academic English for graduate students. The WELC also offers a variety of support services to help students succeed, including academic tutoring, one-on-one academic coaching, and a range of cultural activities to enhance students’ learning experience.

Lakehead University’s ELP is designed to help students improve their English language skills in preparation for their academic programs. The ELP offers a range of courses, including academic English, business English, and academic English for graduate students. The ELP also provides a range of support services, including academic tutoring, one-on-one academic coaching, and cultural activities to enhance students’ learning experience.

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Neweddheh (Nino) Saleed Al Neweddheh
2019 WELC Student
Saudi Arabia

I chose Huron University College because of the taught Liberal Arts and Sciences program and because of the location. As an international student, I really enjoy being in an English-speaking community.

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Huron’s EnRoute Program: Students will study 15 hours per week of English combined with taking approved University credits. Please visit huronuc.ca for program details.

King’s Enhanced Year Program (KEY): Students will study 15 hours of ESL training in addition to 2.0 approved university degree credits. Please visit kings.uwo.ca for program details.

*For the full list of academic programs at King’s University College, please visit: kings.uwo.ca
WHY WESTERN ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTRE (WELC)?

As the official language school on campus at Western University, we teach English to international students who have conditional admission to Western or to its University Colleges.

We develop:
- Communication skills needed to succeed
- Academic skills required to thrive at Western
- Cultural learning through various activities

At WELC you will be part of:
- A diverse family of students, teachers and staff from 20+ countries with a 15:1 student/instructor ratio
- A fun, positive and safe environment
- A group that makes you feel at home
- The Western community with access to all facilities and services as a Western student

We’re successful:
- WELC graduates have comparable academic success as Western’s domestic students

AVAILABLE ON-CAMPUS RESIDENCE WHILE AT WELC

Choose a room style from 7 residence buildings:
- Traditional-style
- Suite-style
- Hybrid-style

All buildings have:
- Secure entrances
- A dining hall
- 24-hour front desk access
- Workout room
- Laundry facilities
- Study lounges
- Regular housekeeping
- Wi-Fi

For more information on residences, visit: residence.uwo.ca

WELC was the perfect opportunity to improve my English! Classes were very interesting and challenging as I was not familiar with the English rules in Canada. Once my degree started, I realised how much WELC helped me be ready for my Western degree.

Vladislav Svoic
2014 WELC alumnus, current Western Engineering student

88% COMPLETION RATE

729 ENROLMENTS

97% RETENTION RATE
ACADEMIC ENGLISH PROGRAM (AEP)

- Four different levels to match your level of English proficiency
- Three start dates – January, May or September
- For students with conditional admission to Western or its University Colleges as well as those pursuing ESL studies

Your IELTS or TOEFL test results determine your level of study at WELC, or you can write a placement test upon your arrival.

ENGLISH BOOST PROGRAM

- For students with conditional admission to Western or its University Colleges
- For students who are just below the English proficiency required for direct admission
- Nine-week program begins in early July, prior to the September start of undergraduate degree programs

The Undergraduate Admissions Office automatically considers applicants to Western University for the English Boost Program if they are academically admissible. No additional application is required.
Choose a campus and an academic program

Click "Apply Now" on welc.ca and create an account on WELC Community

Submit requested documents and track your application on WELC Community

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As a WELC student, I enjoyed Western’s resources, such as the gym, libraries and student services. WELC offered pre-lecture courses that gave me a better understanding of Western’s academic environment. Having completed AEP, I had a better transition into Western and later graduated successfully.

Karen Zhengwen He
2013 WELC alumnus. BA ’17 MOS
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