

# Northwestern

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

## English Language Programs Registration Guide

### Eligibility for ELP Services

Eligibility is divided into 2 groups:

- The Graduate School (TGS) Cohort
  - PhD, MFA, and TGS Masters
  - Postdoctoral Fellows
- Northwestern Affiliates
  - Faculty, staff, undergrads, research associates, visiting scholars, pre-doctoral fellows
  - All other Northwestern affiliates
  - Spouses and other family members **are not eligible** for ELP services

### CAESAR Enrollment

- PhD, MFA, and TGS Masters students in TGS cohort must enroll in ELP services in CAESAR
- LING 380/381 participants receive and must use permission number to enroll
- LING 482/483 participants are manually enrolled and **do not need permission number**
- PLEASE NOTE: TGS cohort students cannot audit any ELP service
- Postdoctoral Fellows and all Northwestern affiliates audit ELP services and **do not enroll** in CAESAR

### Registration Periods

Registration for ELP services is divided into four registration periods every quarter. Check the [registration page](#) to see the dates for each of these periods for the current quarter.

- Advanced Registration
  - Open to PhD/MFA students only; registration for group classes only
- Pre-Registration
  - Open to PhD/MFA/TGS masters students only; registration for group classes/LING 483
- Add/Drop Week Registration
  - Open to PhD/MFA/TGS masters/Postdocs; registration for group classes/LING 482/483
- Post Registration
  - Open to Postdocs and NU Affiliates; Postdocs can register for group classes/LING 482/483; NU Affiliates can register for LING 483

### Registration Process Review

Registration links are added to the registration page of the ELP website prior to each quarter.

- Links will become fully active for you based on your academic status-check the [registration period schedule](#) for the current quarter to find out when you can register. If you try to register early, the system will remind you to come back later.
- Click on the registration link for each service you wish to enroll in, and complete the online form.
- If you wish to register for more than one service, you will need to enroll in each one separately.
- First-time registration system users are asked to provide basic contact and biographical data related to your language background. Your information will be saved so that you will not need to enter it each time.

Registration requests are processed in the order received and may take 24-48 hours to process.

- Check your email for a registration confirmation or a waitlist confirmation.
- Use permission number if required.

### Questions about ELP Registration?

Contact us at [elp@northwestern.edu](mailto:elp@northwestern.edu) or call 847-467-6053