



CIESOL ONSITE LANGUAGE LEARNING PROGRAM (With MOA or MOU)

3-WEEK INTENSIVE ESOL COURSES

The CIESOL Advantage

The Internet and its burgeoning applications continue to enfold more and more cities and individuals into a single international village, the *lingua franca* of which is English. The Center for International English for Speakers of Other Languages (CIESOL, pronounced “seesol”) is envisioned to be a leading provider of ESOL training to the members of this global village.

CIESOL draws upon the strengths of its mother unit, the Br. Andrew Gonzalez FSC College of Education (BAGCED) of De La Salle University (DLSU), the academic departments of which conduct innovative research in English language education, applied linguistics, educational psychology, educational technology, and educational leadership, among others. CIESOL in turn plays a major role in the internationalization of BAGCED.

CIESOL provides unparalleled, cost-effective ESOL training and related services at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels to groups as well as individuals in ASEAN+3 universities and other institutions that have memoranda of understanding or agreement with DLSU/BAGCED. It has campuses in Manila and Laguna. DLSU maintains position in 2023 THE World University Rankings. For the fifth straight year, De La Salle University is among the world’s top universities according to the 2023 edition of the Times Higher Education World University Rankings. It retains its last year’s standing in the 1,201-1,500 bracket. Providing the services are highly qualified teachers who have graduate degrees in language education or related fields, as well as teaching certification and ESOL experience.

Following health safety protocols, the University went into online distance learning as an emergency measure when the COVID-19 pandemic broke out in March 2020. With significantly improved conditions in recent months, we are moving towards a wider implementation of onsite/face-to-face classes starting January 2023. The CIESOL Language Learning Program provides detailed information on our three-week intensive ESOL and ESP courses. This program comprises 30 hours of interactive and engaging onsite/in-person classes based on individual, pair, and/or small group activities.

At the completion of this program, the students’ ability and confidence in communicating in English in social situations will have greatly improved. Based on satisfactory class performance and attendance (80% = 24 hours), deserving students are awarded a Certificate of Completion and holistic (qualitative and quantitative) evaluation at the end of the program.



Program Summary Overview

Commencement date:	Second Monday of the month (or as specified in the CIESOL calendar)
Course duration:	3 weeks x 2 hours x 5 days = 30 hours per course

Entry Requirements: Placement Test/s and Initial Interview

The minimum age of CIESOL participants is 18 years. To ascertain their level of English language ability, all students are required to undertake onsite/in-person placement test/s (depending on which ESL course/s they intend to enroll in):

- English Grammar – 30 minutes
- Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary Development – 45 minutes
- Writing Skills – 60 minutes /1 hour (Only given to students who get 43 points or more in their English Grammar test).

A student may enroll in a minimum of one (1) and a maximum of three (3) onsite/in-person ESOL course/s per month.

After obtaining the placement test results, all students undergo an initial (1-to-1/face-to-face) interview to assess what level of instruction needs to be provided:

- Speaking/Pronunciation – 15 to 20 minutes

The onsite/in-person placement test and initial interview results will be used to ensure that all students are placed in the correct ESOL level.

Program Aims and Outcomes

The CIESOL Language Learning Program is composed of a set of three-week (30-hour) intensive ESOL courses designed to increase the overall English language proficiency of international students through interactive and engaging classes. The three levels of language learning are generally considered to be Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced. At CIESOL, there are 12 language learning or proficiency levels, in which levels 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12 are for Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced users of the English language, respectively.

Program Structure and Content

CIESOL offers a wide range of non-degree awarding ESOL courses with focus on both macro skills (listening, speaking, reading, and writing) and micro skills (grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation) for academic, personal, or professional development. Detailed description of General ESOL, ESP, and Advanced ESOL courses can be found on the CIESOL website (<https://www.dlsu.edu.ph/colleges/bagced/ciesol/>).



General English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Courses

- English Conversation (Levels 1 to 12)
- English Grammar (Levels 1 to 12)
- English Pronunciation (Levels 1 to 6)
- Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary Development (Levels 1 to 12)
- Writing Skills (Levels 1 to 6)
- Pre-Grad (Levels 1 to 3)
- Basic Business English
- Technical Writing

English for Specific Purposes (ESP) and Advanced ESOL Courses

- Advanced English Conversation
- Advanced Technical Writing
- Comprehensive English Grammar/English Proficiency for Professionals
- Grammar in Writing/Effective Writing for Professionals
- IELTS/TOEFL/TOEIC Review
- Oral/Speech Communication

Class Size (Number of Students per Class)

A regular class has a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of fourteen (14) students.

A special class has a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) students.

Beginners (those students who cannot speak or can barely understand English) are advised to take 1-to-1 tutorials for the following reasons:

- The student has the undivided attention of the tutor.
- Lessons can be tailored to suit the student's needs and learning speed.

Class Schedule

CIESOL courses run for three (3) consecutive weeks with 2-hour sessions per day for five days in a week for a total of 30 hours per month (3 weeks x 2 hours x 5 days = 30 hours). Regular class days are from Monday to Friday, and the time slots for the standard class schedules are as follows:

- 8:00 to 10:00 AM (Philippine Standard Time)
- 10:15 AM to 12:15 PM (PST)
- 1:15 to 3:15 PM (PST)

Tutorial (1-to-1) classes may be offered outside of the regular time slots and are subject to teacher availability.



Enrollment Requirements and Procedure

*For Foreign Students
Effective November 2022*

REQUIREMENTS

For tourist visa – 9A (with existing and valid ACR I-Card)

- A. To be provided by the student applicant:
- Original passport and I-Card
 - Photocopy of valid passport and recent entry visa with at least one-month validity
 - Photocopy of valid I-Card
 - Three (3) 2x2 colored photos with white background (without eyeglasses)
- B. Available at the CIESOL Office:
- General Application Form
 - Letter of Request
 - Letter of Acceptance
 - One (1) long folder with plastic fastener **(Php 20.00)**

THE ABOVE DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR CHECKING AT THE CIESOL OFFICE.

Application Procedure for Special Study Permit (SSP)

1. Prepare the following documents and have them checked by CIESOL Office Assistant/s:
 - General Application Form duly accomplished by the student applicant
 - Photocopy of valid passport, recent entry visa with at least one-month validity, and valid I-card (if available)
 - Three (3) 2x2 (51x51 mm) colored photos with white background (without eyeglasses)
2. Pay the following **SSP fee** (subject to change without prior notice) through the DLSU-Accounting Office.
SSP without ACR I-Card **(Php 7,000)** – for those who will study for one (1) month only
SSP with ACR I-Card **(Php 9,000)** – for those who will study for two (2) or three (3) months
3. Submit the yellow copy of SSP payment receipt to CIESOL Office.



IMPORTANT NOTE:

- Only the Special Study Permit (SSP) will be processed by the DLSU International Center (IC).
- Tourist Visa extension should be done by the student at the Philippine Bureau of Immigration Office, Magallanes Drive, Intramuros, Manila.

For non-tourist visa – 9D, 9E, 9F (DLSU issued), 9G (Missionary/Working Visa), 47a2, SIRV, SRRV, Balikbayan Visa

- One (1) photocopy of valid passport and visa
- One (1) 2x2 photo for file purposes

For Filipinos

- One (1) photocopy of any valid ID
- One (1) 2x2 photo for file purposes

PROCEDURE

On the specific schedule (date and time) of enrollment:

1. Fill out the required Student Information Sheet.
2. Report to CIESOL Office for placement test/s and interview.
3. Claim the Statement of Account (SOA) from CIESOL Office.
4. Proceed to the Accounting Office (2401 Taft Avenue, Malate, Manila) and pay the assessed tuition and miscellaneous fees.
5. Claim the Official Receipt of tuition payment from the cashier.
6. Present the Official Receipt of tuition payment at the Henry Sy Sr. Hall, 2nd Floor (The HUB) for I.D. picture-taking / I.D. validation. Keep the white-colored copy of the Official Receipt.

Schedule of ID picture taking:

WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS only (from 10:00 to 11:00 AM)

Dress code for picture taking:

For male – **WEAR** dark-colored button-down shirt with necktie.

For female – **WEAR** dark-colored blouse with collar.

7. Present the Official Receipt of tuition payment to CIESOL Office.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please pay in CASH only (no credit card / no cheque).



CIESOL 2024 Calendar (Tentative / Subject to change)

ENROLLMENT DATES	CLASS DAYS
December 11 – 21, 2023	January 8 – 26
January 15 – 26	February 5 – 23
February 12 – 23	March 4 – 22
March 11 – 22	April 3 – 25
April 15 – 26	May 6 – 24
May 13 – 24	June 3 – 25
June 17 – 28	July 8 – 26
July 15 – 26	August 5 – 27
August 19 – 30	September 9 – 27
September 16 – 27	October 7 – 25
October 14 – 25	November 4 – 22
November 11 – 22	December 2 – 20
HOLIDAYS	
January 1 (Mon) – New Year’s Day	June 16 (Sun) – Eidul Adha
February 10 (Sat) – Chinese New Year	June 24 (Mon) – Manila Day
March 27 (Wed) – Holy Wednesday	August 21 (Wed) – Ninoy Aquino Day
March 28 (Thurs) – Holy Thursday	August 26 (Mon) – National Heroes Day
March 29 (Fri) – Good Friday	November 1 (Fri) – All Saints’ Day
March 30 (Sat) – Black Saturday	November 2 (Sat) – All Souls’ Day
April 9 (Tues) – Araw ng Kagitingan	November 30 (Sat) – Bonifacio Day
April 10 (Wed) – Eidul Fitr	December 8 (Sun) – Feast of Immaculate Conception
May 1 (Wed) – Labor Day	December 25 (Wed) – Christmas Day
June 12 (Wed) – Independence Day	December 30 (Mon) – Rizal Day

IMPORTANT:

Onsite/in-person registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Enrollees for regular classes will no longer be accepted after the scheduled enrollment days. Only those enrolling for tutorials (1-to-1) or special classes will be entertained by the CIESOL Office after the scheduled enrollment days.

Price Quotation

The following quotation per participant is based on the assumption that students are coming from DLSU/CIESOL partner institutions. All prices are shown in Philippine pesos.



For Onsite (Face-to-face) Classes ONLY

With 25% Tuition Discount for Institutional Partners	Tutorial (1-to-1)	Special (2 to 3 Students)
Course fee (30-hour Class)	PHP 21,375	PHP 11,250
Registration fee	400	400
Assessment fee	200	200
I.D. fee (with I.D. jacket & lace)	200	200
I.D. validation (with existing CIESOL I.D.)	20	20
Miscellaneous fee	20	20
Computer fee (for one hour only) Note: PHP 60 for one class 120 for two or three classes	60	60
TOTAL	PHP 22,275	PHP 12,150

With 25% Tuition Discount for Institutional Partners	Regular Class (4 to 14 Students)		
	1 Class Only	2 Classes	3 Classes
Course fee (30-hour Class)	PHP 8,550	PHP 17,100	PHP 25,650
Registration fee	400	400	400
Assessment fee	200	200	200
I.D. fee (with I.D. jacket & lace)	200	200	200
I.D. validation (with existing CIESOL I.D.)	20	20	20
Miscellaneous fee	20	20	20
Computer fee (for one hour only) Note: PHP 60 for one class 120 for two or three classes	60	120	120
TOTAL	PHP 9,450	PHP 18,060	PHP 26,610

Note: Fees are subject to change without prior notice.

Tuition is determined by the number of credit hours. Since the exchange rate in the money market constantly changes, the conversion from Philippine Pesos (PHP) to US Dollars (USD) will be computed on the payment date and reflected in the Statement of Account.



Certificate of Completion

All participants are expected to attend onsite/in-person classes beginning the first day of instruction. Those who meet the minimum attendance requirement (80% = 24 hours) will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and a progress report at the end of the program.

Perfect (100%) attendance in onsite/in-person classes is highly encouraged.

Certificates cannot be issued for the following reasons:

- If the student has incurred more than three (3) unexcused (without prior approval from your teacher/tutor) absences (20% = 6 hours); and/or
- If enrollment requirements have not been completed.

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