



BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

CENTER FOR GLOBAL EDUCATION

Intensive English Program

Fact Sheet for 4-week, 8-week, and 16-week offerings

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Boise State University Intensive English Program

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UNIVERSITY AND CITY INTRODUCTION:

Boise State University:

Founded in 1932 and with more than 23,000 students, Boise State is the largest institution of higher education in the state of Idaho. Boise State offers 112 distinct undergraduate degrees, concentrated into 64 majors within 23 broad fields of study. Boise State also offers more than 100 graduate degrees and certificates. The university has been ranked by U.S. News and World Report as one of the most innovative universities in the United States and offers the nation's only Master's degree in Raptor Biology. It is the first public university to collaborate with Harvard Business School's innovative online program – HBX COR-e – allowing Boise State students to study curriculum from the Harvard Business School. The Intensive English Program at Boise State is accredited by the Northwest Commission of Colleges and Universities (NCCU) and is a member of English USA (formerly AAIEP, The American Association of Intensive English Programs). The mission of the Intensive English Program at Boise State University is to provide non-native English-speaking students with the opportunity to improve their English language skills for personal enrichment, professional development and/or academic success. The IEP also offers custom-designed programs of varying lengths and specialization.

To learn more about Boise State University, please visit refer to our [International Student Guide](#).

To learn more about the Intensive English Program, we invite you to refer to our [IEP Brochure](#).

Boise, Idaho:

Boise is the capital city of Idaho with close to 750,000 people in the metropolitan area. Boise offers the benefits of a big city and the safety and friendliness of a small town. Boise is one of the fastest growing cities in the U.S. and has been ranked the #1 most livable city in the country by livability.com. Students love that Boise State is within easy walking distance to downtown restaurants, pubs, museums, and cultural activities as well as to expansive city parks and the 32-kilometer greenbelt trail system located on both sides of the Boise River. The mean average temperature of Boise is quite mild at 10.5 degrees Celsius. Winter is cold, and in January the average low is -4 degrees Celsius, and the average high is 3 degrees Celsius. Spring is quite pleasant especially in May which has an average high of 22 degrees Celsius and an average low of 8 degrees Celsius. Summer heats up with July low temperatures averaging at 16 degrees Celsius and the highs at 33 degrees Celsius. October brings warm pleasant days and cool nights with an average low temperature of 5 degrees Celsius and an average high of 18 degrees Celsius. Boise has a local ski hill, Bogus Basin, which Boise State students can spend an afternoon of hiking or watching concerts in the warmer months or skiing and enjoying snow adventures in the colder months.

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION:

Course Offerings: our three general English subjects are Reading and Writing (8 hours per week); Communication (7 hours per week) and Grammar (3 hours per week). Students in the beginner level of our reading and writing and grammar courses master sentence and paragraph structure and read simplified text. At the intermediate level, they become proficient in writing personal essays and short creative pieces and read mainstream news articles, blogs, and essays. By the advanced level, students are conducting academic research, completing multi-sourced essays in a variety of genres and reading academic texts and articles. In our communication courses, beginning level students gain confidence and proficiency in conversational English. By the intermediate level they are engaging discussions requiring specialized vocabulary and grammatical structures, and by the advanced level they can engage in abstract and academic discussions. In all levels, the students give academic presentations, participate in interviews, and develop listening skills and strategies for comprehension. The Intensive English Program invites students in our TESOL certificate program as well as Boise State Service Learners into our communication classes to act as conversation partners. This helps our students connect with the general community at Boise State and receive extra practice communicating with native English speakers.

Special Programs: the IEP can offer courses involving morning sessions of General English complemented by subject specific language training and events (lectures/visits) for groups of students from similar disciplines, subject to a minimum group size of 10 with similar English proficiency levels. These courses will be priced dependent upon the nature of the course required and the number and cost of external visits and speakers.

English Proficiency Requirements: we do not require the submission of English language proficiency tests or student transcripts, as we provide our own testing. We do ask that students not be absolute beginners and come to our program with a basic understanding of the English language. Students will test remotely with us prior to their arrival in Boise.

Class Levels: we offer classes from beginning to advanced levels at most times of year. We offer up to five levels running at one time. When student numbers are lower, however, we offer fewer levels from high beginning to advanced.

Lesson Times and Days of the Week: students receive 18 hours of general English each week. Courses usually run between 8:30 – 16:00 Mondays through Fridays. Students can expect between 6-8 hours of additional, self-directed study per week.

4-Week Students:

72 hours of general English +

12 hours (optional) elective +

24 hours homework

TOTAL = 108 hours

8-Week Students:

144 hours of general English +

24 hours (optional) elective +

48 hours homework

TOTAL = 216 hours

16-Week Students:

288 hours of general English +

48 hours (optional) elective +

32 hours Korean Language Exchange +

96 hours homework

TOTAL = 464 hours

*Note: the Korean Language Exchange Program is only available to 16-week students. It is a semester-long program.

Minimum and maximum of students to be recruited:

There is no minimum number of students to be recruited for our general program. If a partner university would like us to run a customized program or offer a special topics class for the group, we require a minimum of ten students.

We do not have an established maximum level of students.

Cultural Experiences:

IEP students are invited and encouraged to attend a variety of social and extracurricular activities at minimal or no cost.

Examples include:

- weekly Coffee and Conversation Events with Boise State students (no cost);
- regularly offered outdoor adventures with the Boise State Outdoor Program such as skiing, snowshoeing, rafting, backpacking and biking trips (minimal fees);
- regularly scheduled career readiness and academic support workshops (no fees);
- and weekly on-campus social and sporting events (no fees or minimal fees).

PROGRAM CALENDARS:

Summer 2024: 4-Week Program Dates:

June 26, 2024 – July 27, 2024

Program and housing application deadline:	April 28, 2024 (April 15, 2024, if you want on-campus housing)
Arrival date:	June 26, 2024
Closest airport name:	Boise Airport
Orientation:	June 27, 2024
Classes begin:	July 1, 2024
No classes:	July 4-5 (Fourth of July Holiday)
Classes end and Certificate Ceremony:	July 26, 2024
Expected departure date:	July 27, 2024

Fall A 2024: 8-Week Program Dates:

August 14, 2024 – October 12, 2024

Program and housing application deadline:	June 20, 2024 (May 15, 2024, if you want on-campus housing)
Arrival date:	August 14, 2024
Closest airport name:	Boise Airport
Orientation:	August 15, 2024
Classes begin:	August 19, 2024
Classes end and Certificate Ceremony:	October 11, 2024
Expected departure date:	October 12, 2024

Fall B 2024: 8-Week Program Dates:

October 9, 2024 – December 14, 2024

Program and housing application deadline:	August 14, 2024 (May 15, 2024, if you want on-campus housing)
Arrival date:	October 9, 2024
Closest airport name:	Boise Airport
Orientation:	October 10, 2024
Classes begin:	October 14, 2024
No classes:	November 25-29, 2024 (Thanksgiving Break)
Classes end and Certificate Ceremony:	December 13, 2024
Expected departure date:	December 14, 2024

Fall 2024: 16-Week Program Dates:

August 14, 2024 – December 14, 2024

Program and housing application deadline:	June 20, 2024 (May 15, 2024, if you want on-campus housing)
Arrival date:	August 14, 2024
Closest airport name:	Boise Airport
Orientation:	August 15, 2024
Classes begin:	August 19, 2024
No classes:	November 25-29, 2024 (Thanksgiving Break)
Classes end and Certificate Ceremony:	December 13, 2024
Expected departure date:	December 14, 2024

HOW TO APPLY:

Students must complete the online application process [HERE](#).

After students complete the online application process, the IEP will issue an I-20 and email the document directly to them.

Admission Requirements:

- Students must:
 - be 16 years of age or older.
 - have a basic understanding of the English language.
 - complete the [online application](#) for International Students working with an agent.
 - Upload a passport copy of the identity page of their passport, showing their photo and full name.
 - Pay the \$100 non-refundable application fee.
 - Provide and [official financial support statement](#) from their bank, sponsor, or guardian certifying that they have sufficient funds available for their studies at Boise State University;
 - Complete the English proficiency written task.

Type of Visa: all sixteen-week students must come on an F1 Student Visa. Four-week students can choose to participate in full-time study with an F1 Visa. They can also come to Boise on a tourist visa, but they will only be able to study part time (17 hours or fewer per week).

All admissions questions should be directed to iepinfo@boisestate.edu.

OTHER DETAILS:

Arrivals: we ask that students take a taxi or ride-share service from the Boise airport to our office. Once the students arrive to our office, we will help them to move into their dormitory. There is no service fee for this. We will email instructions to the students to help them do this.

Airport Drop-Off: we do not offer an airport drop-off service. Boise is small and easy to navigate, and it is easy for students to arrange a ride-share service or taxi to the airport.

Accommodation: a single bedroom in a four-bedroom on-campus dormitory or a shared room in a two-bedroom, off-campus apartment (housing depends upon availability). The IEP will arrange housing for partner university students.

Accommodation Cost: \$39 per night (estimated) + a one-time \$100 housing placement fee + a one-time \$20 bedding rental (for on-campus dormitories).

Accommodation Facilities: bedding is supplied. Furniture in the bedrooms includes a bed, a closet, a desk, and a chair. In the kitchen, there is a kitchen bar and chairs or a table and chairs. In the living room, there is a couch, chair, and table. Each dormitory or apartment assignment also has a washer and dryer. Students usually share a bathroom with one other student. WIFI is included:

Example of an on-campus dormitory: [Lincoln Townhomes](#)

Example of a furnished off-campus apartment: [River Quarry Apartments](#)

Meals: During the Spring semester, students can purchase meal plans at the local cafeteria on campus ([Boise State Meal Plans](#)). Students can purchase as many or as few meals as they would like. Meal plans are not available during the summer term. As the dormitories have complete and fully functional kitchens, most students choose to cook at home and eat with their roommates.

Meal Budget: we suggest a daily allowance of between \$10 - \$20. Students pay for their meals independently.

Transportation to and from Classes: On foot. All residences are in easy walking distance. As BSU students, students can take public transportation at no charge. If students live on campus, their classes are a five-minute walk. If they live off campus, it is a 20-minute walk.

Insurance: international students studying at Boise State University's Intensive English Program (IEP) are required to have health insurance that meets university requirements. The health insurance policy must:

- Have a policy written in English.
- Cover the cost of repatriation.
- Cover the cost of medication evacuation.

Students must show proof of insurance to participation in any programming at the Intensive English Program.

On-Campus Recreation Center: Boise State has a wonderful gym, [The Recreation Center](#), on campus with a wide variety of services. IEP students can join the “Rec” Center for \$45 per month or \$159 for a semester (current prices, subject to change).

TUITION, FEES, AND OTHER COSTS:

4-Week Program Cost Estimator: Summer June 26, 2024 – July 27, 2024

Tuition:	\$1565
Application Fee:	\$100
University Fee:	\$135
Housing Placement Fee:	\$100
Bedding Rental Fee (for on-campus dormitories):	\$20
Estimated Housing Fee: Arrival: June 26, 2024 Departure: June 27, 2024 Total nights = 31 31 nights x \$37 = \$1,147 *Summer housing per night is lower than fall and spring housing per day	\$1,147
Estimated Meal Expenses: 32 days X \$15 per day = \$480	\$480
Estimated Total:	\$3547

**These costs do not include the price of insurance (pricing varies) or a gym membership at the on-campus Recreation Center (\$45 per month). These are current prices and are subject to change.

8-Week Program Cost Estimator, Fall A 2024 August 14, 2024 – October 12, 2024

Tuition:	\$2510
Application Fee:	\$100
University Fee:	\$150
Housing Placement Fee:	\$100
Bedding Rental Fee (for on-campus dormitories):	\$20
Estimated Housing Fee: Arrival: August 14 Departure: October 12 59 days x \$39 per night = \$2,301 *Fall and spring housing per night is higher than summer housing per night.	\$2,301
Estimated Meal Expenses: 59 days X \$15 per day = \$885	\$885
Estimated Total:	\$6066

**These costs do not include the price of insurance (pricing varies) or a gym membership at the on-campus Recreation Center (\$45 per month). These are current prices and are subject to change.

8-Week Program Cost Estimator, Fall B 2024 October 9, 2024 – December 14, 2024

Tuition:	\$2510
Application Fee:	\$100
University Fee:	\$150
Housing Placement Fee:	\$100
Bedding Rental Fee (for on-campus dormitories):	\$20
Estimated Housing Fee: Arrival: October 9 Departure: December 14 66 nights x \$39= \$2574 *Fall and spring housing per night is higher than summer housing per night.	\$2,574
Estimated Meal Expenses: 66 days X \$15 per day = \$990	\$990
Estimated Total:	\$6,444

**These costs do not include the price of insurance (pricing varies) or a gym membership at the on-campus Recreation Center (\$45 per month). These are current prices and are subject to change.

16-week Program Cost Estimator: Fall Semester August 14, 2024 – December 14, 2024

Tuition:	\$5020
Application Fee:	\$100
University Fee:	\$300
Housing Placement Fee:	\$100
Bedding Rental Fee (for on-campus dormitories):	\$20
Estimated Housing Fee: Arrival: August 14 Departure: December 14 Total nights = 122 $122 \text{ nights} \times \$39 = \$4,758$ *Fall and spring housing per night is higher than summer housing per night.	\$4,758
Estimated Meal Expenses: $122 \text{ days} \times \$15 \text{ per day} = \$1830$	\$1830
Estimated Total:	\$12,128

**These costs do not include the price of insurance (pricing varies) or a gym membership at the on-campus Recreation Center (\$45 per month or \$159 per semester). These are current prices and are subject to change.