International Hospitality Committee (IHC)
English Conversation Classes
Spring 2019

These are informal groups of international men and women who meet to gain practical experience speaking English. Classes are FREE, but regular attendance is encouraged. Class dates vary, so please check each one carefully. In general, classes start on January 14, 2019 and end May 10, 2019. No classes the week of Spring Break, March 18-22, 2019. Please email teacher to register for each class. The summer 2019 class schedule should be available towards the end of April or early May, 2019. For more information on these classes, or about inexpensive private English tutoring, please email Vivienne Mackie, vivienne.mackie@gmail.com

A: At International Studies Building
on campus (**Please note: this is a different address from where we had classes before at ISSS)
ADDRESS: Room 314 (3rd floor)
International Studies Building,
910 South 5th Street, campus.
Enter on South Street and go up stairs to third floor. Or, go through grey doors, turn left, then right to find the elevator. The Reception desk is at the top of the stairs. Room 314 is on the east side of the building.

The following classes are at this address.

DAY: Tuesday
TIME: 2-3:30pm
DATES: January 15-May 7, 2019
LEVEL: Intermediate
TEACHER: Mr. Ray McDermott
EMAIL: raymcd@yahoo.com

DAY: Wednesday
TIME: 2:00-3:30pm
DATES: January 16-May 8, 2019
LEVEL: Intermediate
TEACHER: Ms. Olivia Scott
EMAIL: olivia2@illinois.edu

DAY: Wednesday
TIME: 9:00-10:30am
DATES: January 23-May 8, 2019
LEVEL: Upper intermediate
TEACHER: Ms. Mary Kruse
EMAIL: mary.kruse1@gmail.com

B: At Orchard Downs
2044-A South Orchard Street, Urbana
(Please enter the classroom from the grass courtyard side, not the Orchard Street side)
The following classes are at this address:

DAY: Monday
TIME: 1:30-3:00pm
DATES: January 28-May 6, 2019
LEVEL: Intermediate
TEACHER: Ms. Renee Mullen
EMAIL: reneemullen1@comcast.net

DAY: Tuesday
TIME: 10:00-11:30am
DATES: January 15-May 7, 2019
LEVEL: Low intermediate
TEACHER: Ms. Christa Knust
EMAIL: christaknust@gmail.com
DAY: Tuesday  
TIME: 7:00-8:30pm  
DATES: January 15-May 7, 2019  
LEVEL: Intermediate  
TEACHER: Ms. Martha Hurtado  
EMAIL: marthah1990@gmail.com

DAY: Friday  
TIME: 10:30am-12 noon  
DATES: January 18-may 19, 2019  
LEVEL: Intermediate  
TEACHER: Ms. Susan Taylor  
EMAIL: taylorstst@gmail.com

C: At Krannert Art Museum (on campus)  
Address: 500 Peabody Drive (enter on the Peabody side, not the Sixth Street side). After entering, turn right through the glass doors into the lobby, where we will gather before going downstairs to a special room.

DAY: Tuesday  
TIME: 3:00-4:30pm  
DATES: January 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 12, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (Please note that we don’t meet some weeks)  
LEVEL: Intermediate  
TEACHER: Ms. Vivienne Mackie  
EMAIL: vivienne.mackie@gmail.com

D: Thursday Friendship Group  
You can also attend our weekly Friendship /Informal English Group, as another opportunity to meet people and practice speaking English.  
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED FOR THIS GROUP  
DAY: Thursday  
TIME: 10:00-11:30am  
DATES: January 17-May 9, 2019  
PLACE: Community United Church of Christ

On campus, corner of S. Sixth and Daniel Streets. Enter on NE corner through glass door, and go down to the basement.  
LEVEL: Any level is fine. This is an informal group. Children welcome.  
NOTE: There is VERY LIMITED parking available there----please speak to Nancy or Paula about parking.  
CONTACTS:  
Nancy McGlathery, 
ncg@illinois.edu
Paula Massey  
massey46@illinois.edu

E. SATURDAY MORNING TEA FRIENDSHIP GROUP  
This group meets every 2nd and 4th Saturday in Orchard Downs, at 2044A S. Orchard Street (the same room where the English classes are).  
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED FOR THIS GROUP.  
DAY: Saturday  
TIME: 10am-12 noon  
DATES: January 26, 2019  
February 9, 23; March 9, 23; April 13, 27  
LEVEL: Any level is fine  
CONTACT: Christina Myers  
EMAIL: ckmyers2@gmail.com  
Please note that this schedule is subject to change depending on the availability of Christina. So please email her before each meeting to confirm.

F: Other opportunities to practice your English conversation and to meet other people

1. ETC COFFEE HOUSE  
1203 W. Green Street, Urbana, Wesley Foundation  
Tel: 217-344-1120  
Fridays 4-6pm, starting January 18, 2019

Please note that this schedule is subject to change depending on the availability of Christina. So please email her before each meeting to confirm.
An opportunity for international discussions and casual refreshments with native speakers of English.

2. **Krannert Uncorked**
   In the lobby of the Krannert Center for Performing Arts, Goodwin St, Urbana (on campus)
   Thursdays 5-7pm (probably starting January 24, 2019)
   Free wine tasting every week, and free music twice a month.
   Check the Krannert Center calendar online
   [https://krannertcenter.com/calendar](https://krannertcenter.com/calendar)

3. **International Spouses Book Club**
   Read great books by international authors, and discuss them.
   Book List:
   “Night” by Elie Wiesel, Feb 12, 2019
   “Things Fall Apart” by Chinua Achebe, April 9, 2019
   “The Alchemist” by Paulo Coelho, June 11, 2019
   All of the meetings will be held in the Illini Union Room 211.
   Please email for meeting times and more information:
   [isss-scholars@illinois.edu](mailto:isss-scholars@illinois.edu)

4. Join your local LIBRARY---check out books and audio books, ask a librarian questions about books, CDs, movies and more. To join, you need ID and proof of residence (like an account in your name with your local address)

GOOD LUCK, AND HAVE A GREAT SPRING. Thanks,
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