

## English as a Second Language – short (Approval not required)

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### Brief Program Description

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Tamwood's 'ESL - short' program consist of several courses that students may choose from in their enrollment period. All of the courses are designed for international students seeking practice, exposure and improvement in English as a Second Language. The program consists of five General English courses, and seven Specialty English courses including a Private Lessons course. **This program does not require approval by the registrar of the Private Training Institutions Branch (PTIB) of the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills & Training. As such the registrar did not review this program.**

### GENERAL ENGLISH COURSES

#### Whistler

1. Basic: 15 lessons per week (Essential English / 15 lessons)
2. Core: 20 lessons per week (Essential English / 15 lessons + elective / 5 lessons)

Details about Essential English and elective class components are explained here:

- a. Essential English Skills (15 lessons per week / integrated language skills at 14 possible levels).
- b. English for Real Life (5 lessons per week / 2 levels)

#### Vancouver

3. Skill Builder: 28 lessons per week (Essential English / 20 lessons + elective one / 8 lessons)
4. Learn Fast: 32 lessons per week (Essential English / 20 lessons + elective one / 8 lessons + elective 2 / 4 lessons)
5. Intensive: 36 lessons per week (Essential English / 20 lessons + elective one / 8 lessons + elective 2 / 4 lessons + elective 3 / 4 lessons)

Details about Essential English and elective class components are explained here:

- a. **Essential English Skills** (20 lessons per week / integrated language skills at 14 possible levels).
- b. **Reading and Writing Elective** (8 lessons per week / 6 possible levels)

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- c. **Conversation, Pronunciation and Vocabulary Elective** (8 lessons per week / 6 possible levels)
- d. **Listening and Speaking Elective** (8 lessons per week / 6 possible levels)
- e. **Listening and Speaking Enhancement Elective** (4 lessons per week / 2 levels)
- f. **Reading and Writing Enhancement elective** (4 lessons per week / 2 levels)
- g. **Pronunciation Enhancement elective** (4 lessons per week / 2 levels)
- h. **English for Real Life** (4 lessons per week / 2 levels)
- i. **Private Tuition** (hours per week determined by student/all levels)

### SPECIALTY ENGLISH COURSES:

#### Whistler

- 6. **FCE Preparation** (15 or 20 lessons/week)
- 7. **CAE Preparation** (15 or 20 lessons/week)
- 8. **IELTS Preparation** (28 lessons/week)
- 9. **English for Canadian Snowboard Instructor Certification** (Essential English Skills 15 lessons per week + 5 lessons per week specialized sport vocabulary and language)
- 10. **English for Canadian Snowboard Instructor Certification** (Essential English Skills 15 lessons per week + 5 lessons per week specialized sport vocabulary and language)
- 11. **Private Tuition** (61 hours or less, number of hours per week determined by student, all levels)

#### **Vancouver**

- 12. **International Business English** (32 lessons/week)
- 13. **IELTS Preparation** (28 lessons/week)
- 14. **University Pathway Preparation** (28 lessons/week)
- 15. **Private Tuition** (61 hours or less, number of hours per week determined by student, all levels)

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### **Career Occupation**

There are no specific career opportunities leading from this program.

### **Admission Requirements**

- Applicants who wish to qualify as domestic students must produce valid documentation confirming their legal status as Canadian citizens or permanent residents.
- Applicants who are classified as International students must meet the requirements for international students studying in Canada as laid down by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.
- By the time applicants plan to finish their program, they must be at least 17 years old to be eligible for the program at Vancouver Campuse and at least 16 years old at Toronto campus and Whistler campus. Any applicants under 19 years of age require a parent/legal guardian's permission, as indicated on the application form.
- All students must complete payment due to Tamwood according to Tamwood Payment Schedule.
- All students attending a Tamwood program must have valid medical insurance for their entire study period. Students who do not provide Tamwood with proof of valid medical insurance on their first day of classes can purchase their insurance through Tamwood. No student will be allowed to attend a Tamwood program until they have provided Tamwood with proof of valid medical insurance.
- All students agree to accept the Tamwood Cancellation and Refund Policies.
- Student must meet the Language Proficiency requirements (listed below) as outlined in the Language Proficiency Assessment Policy

### **University Pathway Preparation**

This is a Tamwood Level 6 course and Students must demonstrate the minimum English proficiency for this level on the Tamwood English Placement test taken by all students on their first day of classes. The English Placement Test is except if CEFR B2, IELTS 4.5, TOEFL ibT 65+, Cambridge FCE (C-B) or Tamwood Language Centre's level 5 is presented.

### **International Business English**

This is a Tamwood level 5 course and Students must demonstrate the minimum English proficiency for this level on the Tamwood English Placement test taken by all students on their first day of classes. The English Placement Test is exempt if CEFR B1, IELTS 3.5+, TOEFL ibT 52+, Cambridge PET (Merit) or Tamwood Language Centre's level 4 is presented.

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### **IELTS Preparation**

This is a Tamwood level 5 course and Students must demonstrate the minimum English proficiency for this level on the Tamwood English Placement test taken by all students on their first day of classes. The English Placement Test is except if CEFR B1, IELTS 3.5+, TOEFL iBT 52+, Cambridge PET (Merit) or Tamwood Language Centre's level 4 is presented.

### **Cambridge FCE Preparation**

This is a Tamwood level 5 course and Students must demonstrate the minimum English proficiency for this level with Tamwood's online test. The online test is except if CEFR B1, IELTS 3.5+, TOEFL iBT 52+, Cambridge PET (Merit) or Tamwood Language Centre's level 4 is presented.

### **Cambridge CAE Preparation**

This is a Tamwood level 6 course and Students must demonstrate the minimum English proficiency for this level with Tamwood's online test. The online test is except if CEFR B2, IELTS 4.5, TOEFL iBT 65+, Cambridge FCE (C-B) or Tamwood Language Centre's level 5 is presented.

### **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of any course in this program, students will have improved their proficiency and knowledge in all English skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. Each course in the program has specific learning outcomes which are detailed on each course outline.

### **Method(s) of Evaluation**

The methods of assessment of this program vary from course to course include formative and summative assessments, and are set out in the course outlines.

### **Completion Requirements**

Minimum requirements for graduation from the General English courses, students must have:

- 80% attendance and punctuality
- achieved a 50% average or more on the monthly test results
- completed 80% of homework
- participated in learning activities that are integral to the course
- adhered to the English-only rule.

Minimum requirements to graduate from the Specialty English courses, students must have

- 80% attendance and punctuality
- completed 80% of homework
- adhered to the English-only rule
- participated in learning activities that are integral to the course

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If students meet completion requirements, students will receive a course certificate, certificate of achievement and a language assessment.

### Program Duration

For each course in the 'ESL short' program, students must register for **no more than:**

#### Vancouver

**8 weeks** in: Intensive

**10 weeks** in: Learn Fast, Business English, IELTS Preparation

**12 weeks** in: Skill Builder

**11 weeks** in: University Pathway Preparation

**61 hours** in: Private lessons

#### Whistler Winter

**11 weeks** in: Basic

**9 weeks** in: Core

**10 weeks** in: Cambridge FCE, Cambridge CAE, IELTS Preparation

**61 hours** in: Private lessons

#### Whistler Summer

**15 weeks** in: Basic

**14 weeks** in: Core

**10 weeks** in: Cambridge FCE, Cambridge CAE, IELTS Preparation

**61 hours** in: Private lessons

### Homework Hours

Approximately two hours per week. However homework hours depends on the course and are specified on the course outline.

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**Delivery Method(s)**

- In-class instruction with a multi-sensory approach in order to cater for all learning styles.
- Distance instruction
- Blended method that incorporates both distance education and in-class instruction

**Required course materials**      **General English Courses**

Basic Course

*Essential English Skills Components*

Level 1-2: Start Up 1, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Kathleen Thompson, Pearson ELT

Level 3-4: Start Up 2, Julie Schmidt and Jessica Willimas Pearson ELT

Level 5-6: Start Up 3, Robin N. Longshaw and HM Austin, Pearson ELT

Level 7-8: Start Up 4, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

Level 9-10: Start Up 5, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Genevieve Kocienda, Pearson ELT

Level 11-12: Start Up 6, Steve Gwynne, Don Linder, and Jenni Currie Santamaria, Pearson ELT

Level 13-14: Start Up 7, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

Core Course

*Essential English Skills Components*

Level 1-2: Start Up 1, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Kathleen Thompson, Pearson ELT

Level 3-4: Start Up 2, Julie Schmidt and Jessica Willimas Pearson ELT

Level 5-6: Start Up 3, Robin N. Longshaw and HM Austin, Pearson ELT

Level 7-8: Start Up 4, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

Level 9-10: Start Up 5, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Genevieve Kocienda, Pearson ELT

Level 11-12: Start Up 6, Steve Gwynne, Don Linder, and Jenni Currie Santamaria, Pearson ELT

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*Elective Component: Class materials are provided by the school*

Skill Builder Course

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Level 3-4: Start Up 2, Julie Schmidt and Jessica Willimas Pearson ELT

Level 5-6: Start Up 3, Robin N. Longshaw and HM Austin, Pearson ELT

Level 7-8: Start Up 4, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

Level 9-10: Start Up 5, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Genevieve Kocienda, Pearson ELT

Level 11-12: Start Up 6, Steve Gwynne, Don Linder, and Jenni Currie Santamaria, Pearson ELT

Level 13-14: Start Up 7, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

*Elective Components: Course materials are provided by school.*

### Learn Fast Course

#### *Essential English Skills Components*

Level 1-2: Start Up 1, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Kathleen Thompson, Pearson ELT

Level 3-4: Start Up 2, Julie Schmidt and Jessica Willimas Pearson ELT

Level 5-6: Start Up 3, Robin N. Longshaw and HM Austin, Pearson ELT

Level 7-8: Start Up 4, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

Level 9-10: Start Up 5, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Genevieve Kocienda, Pearson ELT

Level 11-12: Start Up 6, Steve Gwynne, Don Linder, and Jenni Currie Santamaria, Pearson ELT

Level 13-14: Start Up 7, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

### Intensive Course

#### *Essential English Skills Components*

Level 1-2: Start Up 1, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Kathleen Thompson, Pearson ELT

Level 3-4: Start Up 2, Julie Schmidt and Jessica Willimas Pearson ELT

Level 5-6: Start Up 3, Robin N. Longshaw and HM Austin, Pearson ELT

Level 7-8: Start Up 4, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Matsunaga, Pearson ELT

Level 9-10: Start Up 5, Jenni Currie Santamaria and Genevieve Kocienda, Pearson ELT

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Level 13-14: Start Up 7, Lynn Bonesteel, Jessica Williams, and Nancy Blodgett Satsunaga, Pearson ELT

*Elective Components: Course materials are provided by school.*

### Specialized English Courses

International Business English: *Course materials are provided by school.*

IELTS Preparation: Expert IELTS Band 5 Coursebook, Elaine Boyd.

Pearson Education Limited, 2017; Expert IELTS Band 6 Coursebook, Clare Walsh, Lindsay Warwick Pearson Education Limited, 2017; Expert IELTS Band 7.5 Coursebook, Fiona Aish, et. al. Pearson Education Limited, 2017

English Prep for Ski: *Course materials are provided by school.*

English Prep for Snowboard: *Course materials are provided by school.*

University Pathway Preparation: Leap 2 Reading and Writing, New Edition (Pearson) with my e-lab, Leap 2 Listening and Speaking New Edition (Pearson) with my e-lab, Leap 3 Reading and Writing, New Edition (Pearson) with my e-lab, Leap 3 Listening and Speaking New Edition (Pearson) with my e-lab, Leap 4 Reading and Writing, New Edition (Pearson) with my e-lab, Leap 4 Listening and Speaking New Edition (Pearson) with my e-lab

### Program Organization

Name of Course	# of Lessons *
<b>Basic Course (Whistler only)</b>	
<i>Basic Course Components: Essential English Skills</i>	15 per week
<b>Core Course (Whistler only)</b>	20 per week
<i>Core Course Components: Essential English Skills component</i>	15 per week
<i>One elective component: English for Real Life</i>	5 per week
<b>Skill Builder Course</b>	28 per week
<i>Skill Builder Course Components: Essential English Skills component + one of the elective components:</i>	20 per week
<i>Reading and Writing, Conversation, Pronunciation and Vocabulary or Listening and Speaking</i>	8 per week
<b>Learn Fast Course</b>	32 per week



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<i>Learn Fast Course Components: Essential English Skills component + two of the elective components:</i>	20 per week
<i>Reading and Writing, Conversation, Pronunciation and Vocabulary <u>or</u> Listening and Speaking + one of:</i>	8 per week
<i>Listening and Speaking enhancement, Reading and Writing enhancement, <u>or</u> Vocabulary enhancement</i>	4 per week
<b>Intensive Course</b>	36 per week
<i>Intensive Course Components: Essential English Skills component + three of the elective components:</i>	
<i>Reading and Writing, Conversation, Pronunciation and Vocabulary <u>or</u> Listening and Speaking + one of:</i>	
<i>Listening and Speaking enhancement, Reading and Writing enhancement, <u>or</u> Vocabulary enhancement +</i>	
<i>English for Real Life</i>	
<b>Private Tuition course</b>	1 per week (minimum)
<b>International Business English course</b>	32 per week
<b>Cambridge Preparation: CAE</b>	15 or 20 per week (Whistler)
<b>Cambridge Preparation: FCE</b>	15 or 20 per week (Whistler)
<b>University Pathway Preparation</b>	28 per week
<b>IELTS Preparation</b>	28 per week
<b>English Prep for Ski (Whistler only)</b>	20 per week
<b>English Prep for Snowboard (Whistler only)</b>	20 per week

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**For the Private Tuition course, one lesson = 60 minutes**