

ILEP Online, Summer 2020

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. What is ILEP?

ILEP is a 4-week intensive summer experience focusing on legal practice and classroom comprehension and communication. You will also gain an introduction to U.S. legal and judicial systems. It features several hours of live classroom instruction daily plus coursework outside of class. The robust language immersion plus an introduction to the U.S. legal process is a valuable framework for your coursework this fall.

2. What does ILEP Cost? Are scholarships available?

The ILEP tuition for July 2020 is \$7,700 USD. All admitted full-time WashULaw students have the opportunity to participate in the program FREE OF CHARGE. For non-WashULaw students, we do have scholarships available.

3. What are the dates of ILEP 2020?

The Summer term of ILEP begins on July 6 and ends on July 31, 2020. All coursework for July 2020 will be online with daily live sessions.

4. Will I earn a Legal English Certificate for ILEP?

Yes. Every student who completes ILEP successfully will earn a Legal English Certificate from WashULaw. You will receive your Legal English Certificate when you arrive on campus and it will also appear on your transcript. For Non-WashULaw students, you will receive your Legal English Certificate via mail. Please ask us if you require additional written documentation or description for an employer or state agency.

5. How many credits is ILEP?

ILEP consists of two courses: Intensive Legal English Listening & Speaking, and Intensive Legal English Reading/Writing. The courses are each the equivalent of 3-courses, for a total of 6 credits. The courses work together as a unit and may not be taken separately. NOTE: ILEP courses prepare you to pursue a degree program successfully. These credits do NOT apply towards any credit requirement of a degree program.

6. Due to different time zones, will I be able to attend ILEP classes at a time that works for me?

We are working hard to accommodate students in various time zones. We are doing this in two ways:

- a. **Scheduling live session meetings (via Zoom) at varying times to accommodate more students.** Since we have multiple sections of ILEP, we

can schedule them at different times to accommodate more students. We also find that some students prefer to take classes early or late in the day. Regardless of your section’s meeting time, you may attend class with students from all over, including those who are currently already in the United States.

This is an example of possible class times:

	San Diego; Los Angeles	St. Louis; Chicago	Philadelphia; Cincinnati	Paris; Harare	Saudi Arabia; Kuwait	China	S. Korea; Japan
Section 1		7:00-9:00 a.m.	8:00-10:00 a.m.	2:00-4:00 p.m.	3:00-5:00 p.m.	8:00-10:00 p.m.	9:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Section 2	5:00– 7:00 p.m.	7:00-9:00 p.m.	8:00 – 10:00 p.m.			8:00-10:00 a.m.	9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

b. Designing engaging course materials in Canvas, resulting in a combination of face-to-face meetings and assignments you complete on your own time.

With almost 10 years of teaching law classes online, we have found the best courses have a combination of live, face-to-face class meetings and recorded material. This allows students to replay material, working at their own pace to master concepts. In addition, students benefit from group projects and individual work outside of the classroom. We build on this work in the live sessions. This combination helps you make rapid progress over the course of the program.

For July 2020, live class meetings will be scheduled:

Listening/Speaking: 3 sessions weekly, 2 hours each

Reading/Writing: 2 sessions weekly, 2 hours each

Individual Conferences: At least one weekly; more may be scheduled as needed

Assignments and Course work outside of class: Students are expected to spend a significant amount of time with course content outside of the live sessions. Assignments will include reading legal cases and other texts, writing case briefs and a multi-draft peer-reviewed office memo, group assignment, self-recorded presentations, and numerous discussions in Discussion boards.

7. Will the classes be recorded?

Instructors will be asked to record the Live Class sessions, and these recordings will be available in Canvas. There will also be video and audio recordings used in the recorded course content. This allows you to replay material for better comprehension.

8. What books and materials do I need for ILEP?

- For the Listening/Speaking course, you need to purchase *American Legal English, 2nd Edition* by Lee, Hall, and Barone, 2007. ISBN: 978-0-472-03206-8. See https://www.press.umich.edu/231089/american_legal_english_2nd_edition
- For the Reading/Writing course, you need to purchase *Strategies for Legal Case Reading and Vocabulary Development* by Reinhart, 2007. ISBN: 978-0-472-03202-0. See https://www.press.umich.edu/223607/strategies_for_legal_case_reading_and_vocabulary_development
- The remainder of your course materials will be provided by your instructors in Canvas. Once you are enrolled in your ILEP courses, you will gain access to Canvas. Just make sure you have a **reliable computer and Internet service**.
- You will need to create video recordings for your Listening/Speaking course, so make sure that you have a **camera** that you can use to record yourself and upload your recordings to your computer. If your computer does not have a built-in camera, you can probably use your phone for these assignments.

9. What do I need to do to prepare for ILEP?

There are not any assignments to prepare before the program begins. Just be sure that you do the following:

- Purchase the textbooks in time to receive them before July 6;
- Make sure you have a reliable computer and Internet provider, and a camera for video recordings (you will be asked to be on camera for all Live Class meetings)

10. If I have other questions, who may I contact?

We are happy to answer any questions you may have. Please contact our team directly for more information.

For program information, please contact Pam Dzun, our Coordinator of Legal English at pdzunu@wustl.edu.