

## **Adult Education Resources**

# Learn and/or improve English (ESL)

• English Language Center (ELC)

English Language Center is a semi-intensive, 15 hours/week, language program for adult language learners to develop the necessary skills to improve quality of life and thrive in a new culture.

The ELC also offers Life Skills, Cultural Orientation, and Citizenship classes for refugee elders.

3722 W. Anderson St. (Taft Elementary School), Boise, ID 83703 208-338-2696

Steve Rainey: <a href="mailto:srainey@jannus.org">srainey@jannus.org</a>

http://www.elcboise.org

Learning Lab, Inc.

Learning Lab is a literacy education center for adults and families with young children. Classes are based on students' individual needs and offer reading, writing, math and English language learning curricula. Learning Lab also offers preparation for citizenship and GED exams.

308 E. 36th Street, Garden City, ID 83714

208-344-1335

Gloria Gude: <a href="mailto:gloriag@learninglabinc.org">gloriag@learninglabinc.org</a>

www.learninglabinc.org

College of Western Idaho (CWI) ESL

We offer free English as a second language classes for adults. Classes at 6 different levels meet twice a week in the morning or evening. We have several locations in Boise, Meridian, Nampa, and Caldwell. If you miss registration, call about our Talk Time conversation practice.

For Boise and Meridian: 208-562-2571 For Nampa and Caldwell: 208-562-2024

Fern Van Maren (Ada County): fernvanmaren@cwidaho.cc

Trevi Hardy (Canyon County): 208-562-2014 <a href="mailto:trevihardy@cwidaho.cc">trevihardy@cwidaho.cc</a> <a href="https://cwidaho.cc/programs-degrees/english-second-language-esl">trevihardy@cwidaho.cc</a> • Boise State University Intensive English Program

Mission: To provide non-native English speaking students with the opportunity to improve their English language skills for personal, professional and/or academic success. We offer courses in reading, writing, listening, speaking, grammar and academic skill preparation. We offer 5 levels from beginning to advanced.

Boise State University

1910 University Drive Boise, ID 83725

208-426-1921

Stephanie Marlow: <a href="mailto:stephaniemarlow1@boisestate.edu">stephaniemarlow1@boisestate.edu</a>

https://globaleducation.boisestate.edu/iep/

Ask about scholarships for refugee students!

Library! at Hillcrest ESL weekly conversation group

Boise English Connection is a fun, non-judgmental place for conversation and shared learning. Participants can practice speaking English with both volunteer native speakers and others who are learning English. If you want a free, welcoming environment to learn, please join the conversation!

5246 Overland Road, Boise ID 83705

Alene (208) 972-8340

https://www.boisepubliclibrary.org/classes-events/online-calendar/?trumbaEmbed=searc h%3DConversation#/?i=1

• Idaho Office for Refugees

IOR creates opportunities for refugees and the larger community to come together over shared values of hard work, family, faith, and freedom. We are currently working to innovate our English training opportunities and are adding new courses to our English programming. Please contact us if you are interested in partnering or if you work with students who could benefit from our services.

1607 W Jefferson Boise, ID 83702

Kate Udall: kudall@idahorefugees.org

(208) 955-6528

## Citizenship

- ELC
  - Citizenship class for older adults age 58+
  - Preparation for the interview and civics test
  - Ashley Hislop:

- ahislop@jannus.org
- Learning Lab (see above)
- Catholic Charities of Idaho (CCI)

CCI offers specialized instruction for adult students who are learning English as a new language. Skills taught in these classes include listening, speaking, reading, writing, study skills, content vocabulary and cultural orientation.

7255 W Franklin St, Boise, ID 83709

208-345-6031

https://www.ccidaho.org/services.html

• International Rescue Committee (IRC) - Immigration Services

7287 Franklin Rd, Boise, ID 83704

208-559-6825

Rabiou Manzo: <a href="mailto:rabiou.manzo@rescue.org">rabiou.manzo@rescue.org</a>

# Study for GED/College Prep

• CWI's Basic Skills Education Program (BSE)

Improve your math, reading, and writing skills. We can help you get ready for college or get your GED. Our classes are free!

Canyon County Center

Community Learning Center

2407 Caldwell Blvd., RM 106

Nampa, ID 83651

208-562-2068

Ada County Campus-- Mallard Building Community Learning Center 9100 W. Black Eagle Drive, RM 1121 Boise, ID 83709 208-562-2575

basicskills@cwidaho.cc

https://cwidaho.cc/bse

• College Bound Program - IRC Boise

Semester-long college readiness workshops to assist with mapping a path to college and goal setting, including one-on-one support with admissions, financial aid and connection to local support resources.

Kayla Groat

International Rescue Committee

7287 W Franklin Road

Boise. ID 83704 208-718-2586

- Learning Lab (see above)
- REACH Youth Mentoring ANA, IOR, ACD, CSI (Twin Falls)

This program pairs up high-school and college-aged refugees (15-24 years old) with mentors who can provide guidance in terms of education and vocation. Anyone/any organization can refer a mentee, and anyone can apply to be a mentor.

Chadia Mugisha

Agency for New Americans 1614 W. Jefferson St. Boise. ID 83705

208-955-0168 (or cmugisha@jannus.org)

#### College ESL Resources

- Boise State University
  - \* Intensive English Program (see above)
  - \* Boise State Refugee Alliance--a student organization:
    - gshuck@boisestate.edu or bsralliance@gmail.com
  - \* Admissions
    - Andrea Orozco: andreaorozco@boisestate.edu
    - 208-426-3960
  - \* English Language Support Programs
    - Prof. Gail Shuck: <a href="mailto:gshuck@boisestate.edu">gshuck@boisestate.edu</a>
    - https://englishsupport.boisestate.edu
    - 208-426-3426
- College of Western Idaho academic courses
  - \* Academic Advising
    - Erica Compton: ericacompton@cwidaho.cc
    - 208-562-2546
  - \* Academic English as a Second Language (ESL) writing courses
    - Joy Palmer: joypalmer@cwidaho.cc (208) 562-3352

#### English for Employment

Global Talent

Mission: To help college-educated immigrants and refugees build their professional careers in the U.S.

1607 W. Jefferson St., Boise, ID 83702

Ashley Davis: adavis@globaltalentidaho.org

### 208-947-4253

www.glotalent.org

#### Create Common Good

Mission: To empower adults with barriers to employment through food service skills training and job placement assistance.

Create Common Good 2513 S Federal Way, Ste. 100 Boise, ID 83705 208-258-6800

https://createcommongood.org/

#### Artisans For Hope

Training in sewing, knitting, jewelry making, and bookmaking; how to market handcrafted items; ESL and community knowledge; basic skill development for employment and entrepreneurship; how to foster friendships, collaboration, and healthy connections 723 N 15th Street, Boise, ID 83702

208-477-8828

info@artisans4hope.org www.artisansforhope.org

## Full Circle Exchange

Mission: To empower under-served women in the U.S. and around the world to rise above poverty by providing stepping stones to self-sufficiency through job training, education, vital enrichment and sustainable economic opportunities that allow local economies to prosper and helps the most vulnerable succeed.

www.fullcircleexchange.org

#### CWI Workforce Development

CWI Workforce Development (WD) offers you the opportunity to quickly gain the skills to obtain employment and apprenticeship training, retrain for new opportunities, and advance your career

https://cwidaho.cc/programs-degrees/workforce-development

### College of Western Idaho (CWI) ESL Career Pathways

CWI ESL Career Pathways program offers integrated English language and job training (IET) classes for a variety of careers. The location, start dates, and times for these opportunities vary. Please contact:

Trevi Hardy: 208-562-2014 trevihardy@cwidaho.cc

https://cwidaho.cc/programs-degrees/esl-career-pathways-future-growth

English Language Center (ELC) WorkStyles (see above)
WorkStyles is an intensive interview/job retention skills class provided at the English Language Center.

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