



ENGLISH PROFICIENCY COURSE

A collaboration between SPELT and Oxford International!

Classes on Zoom and Mentoring sessions on Whatsapp began on January 29, 2021. Sessions are interactive and interesting. Mentoring sessions are conducted as small group sessions with a trainer and a small group of trainees.



SPELT & Oxford International Collaboration

- English Language Proficiency course
- Free for SPELT members
- Special seats reserved for new members
- January to April 2021

Terms and conditions apply

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The course will be delivered online. Course aspirants must be SPELT members. If you aren't a member, please fill out your membership form now and acquire membership. SPELT will only accept individual members.

Potential course participants will require to complete a data form and a placement test. Selections will be done by Oxford International.

Please complete (a) membership form if you are becoming a new/individual member (b) The data form provided by SPELT.

Please follow instructions carefully when completing and submitting forms.

Project Coordinators:
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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS/ACADEMIC SESSIONS

Workshop

SPELT holds workshops and seminars every month. This month we have one exciting workshop on *Building English Language Confidence in an Online World*

Date/Time: February 20th, 2021 from 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Workshop Leader: Dr. Rob Griffin



Webinar: Duration 3 Hours

37 Years of
Empowering
Teachers

Building English Language Confidence in an Online World

TARGET AUDIENCE:

All Teachers, Coordinators, Principals and Heads

Facilitator: Dr. Rob Griffin

Webinar Moderator: Dr. Bushra Ahmed Khurram

Date: February 20, 2021

Time: 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Fee:

For Member: PKR 2000/

Non Member: PKR 2500/

- E-Certificate will be provided
- Limited seats on first come, first served basis

Registration Link

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1f4bmNpn6XpHR2dZ8S9eSAJ9cpyDzosmAyWOJhf2I2tA/>

The COVID pandemic of 2020 has had profound consequences for the goals of English language instruction and the professional development needs of teachers facing a shift from face to face to hybrid and remote teaching venues. This workshop presents the results of a needs analysis on instructor perceptions as teachers at an institution of higher education in the United States support ELLs' academic success. Participants will examine key goals pertaining to the speaking, writing and pragmatics necessary for international student success at higher education institutions. The workshop will provide professional development benefiting university faculty as well as teachers at the primary and secondary levels interested in preparing their English language learners for future academic pursuits. Materials for classroom implementation will be shared.



Dr. Rob Griffin is the ESL/ELL Specialist at the Georgia Institute of Technology where he is a faculty member in the School of Literature, Media and Communication. He is tasked with advising the Georgia Tech communication Center and the Writing and Communication Program to provide consultations and

instruction to undergraduate and graduate students at TECH who require language support to succeed in their academic pursuits as BS, MS and Ph.D. candidates. Prior to his work at Tech, he was Professor of TESOL in the MA TESOL program at Oklahoma City University for 15 years. He has been a teacher educator and ELL instructor for over 20 years, having taught students at various levels and places around the globe. His research interests lie in the areas of L2 phonology and its implications for interlanguage pragmatics as well as second language writing development.

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Free Online Academic Session

Topic: Gamification Tools for Online Classrooms

Facilitator: Ms. Erum Kamran

Date: 27th February 2021

Time: 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

TIRF'S DOCTORAL DISSERTATION RESEARCH GRANT 2021

TIRF – The International Research Foundation for English Language Education – is pleased to announce its 2021 Doctoral Dissertation Grants (DDG) competition. Grants of up to US \$5,000 will be made to successful applicants investigating a range of topics in English language education. The application deadline is Wednesday, May 26, 2021.

There are two types of grants offered through TIRF's DDG program. Information about the two types of grants, as well as eligibility concerns, resource videos, answers to frequently asked questions, and much more can be found at: <https://www.tirfonline.org/grants-prizes/doctoral-dissertation-grants/>

TIRF and its Trustees are grateful to be working in partnership with Cambridge Assessment English and the British Council, as well as individual donors, in support of the 2021 DDG competition.

SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR YOUTH

The International Writing Program (IWP) is proud to announce that the application for the **virtual two-week Summer Institute 2021 program** is now open through 31 March. Please do encourage your students and the young aspiring writers you know to apply today!

The Summer Institute (SI) is a two-week creative writing and cultural exchange program for participants age 18-22 from Pakistan, India, and the U.S. Due to the global coronavirus pandemic, the SI will be held virtually in 2021. Students from all disciplines – the arts, humanities, sciences, and everything in between – are welcome to [apply](#)! This program is free for accepted applicants and will focus on creative writing and the power of narrative. Attendees take part in collaborative workshops focused on their creative work, in seminars to expand literary knowledge of diverse global literatures, in special seminars on the craft of writing, and in activities designed to forge new lines of understanding and shared purpose among its community of writers. The SI is an opportunity to see writing as a form of action – a personally-empowering skill that can be employed for social change.

The Summer Institute is supported by the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad.

For more information, check out [the SI 2021 webpage](#). For questions, please contact us at iwp-summerinstitute@uiowa.edu.

Journal Committee

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