

# FREE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ESL/ELL COMMUNITY

## MASTER ENGLISH, AND LEARN COMPUTER SKILLS

**Are you a non-native English speaker who needs to improve reading, writing and speaking in English to prepare for COLLEGE and CAREER opportunities?**

School of Extended Learning at Governors State University is recruiting **ESL/ELL ADULTS** for an **Intensive English and Digital Literacy program**, supported by the Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEERF) from the U.S. Department of Education. This **FREE OPPORTUNITY** is for those who want to improve English and computer skills to enroll in a local IL college or career training program. Participants must meet eligibility criteria, including low-income levels, first generation status, and/or residency in a rural area.



### **YOU GET** the following **FREE** services:

- **300 hours** of Intensive English Program (IEP) instruction, including computer skills training
- **30 hours** of one-on-one tutoring
- **A free laptop** to keep upon completion of the IEP program



- **A WiFi subsidy** for the duration of the program (January – August 2021)
- **An introduction** to the college experience (Mastering College)



## YOU GIVE the following:

- **Your time** for 8-10 hours a week with the instructor (virtually via Zoom), plus flexible assignments at home
- **Your commitment** to complete the 30-week program (two 15-week sessions)
- **Your participation** in mentoring, advising and a GSU Open House virtually to learn about college program options

## TRAINING CONTENT

Authentic learning activities will incorporate real-life experiences with English and math vocabulary, grammar, effective reading strategies, synthesis of information, expression of ideas verbally, and critical thinking and revision through the writing process. Computer training will include navigating web browsers to find targeted information, MS Office programs, email, and the creation of shared online calendars. Participants will also learn to use the Blackboard Learning Management System and gain an understanding of academic and cultural expectations.



# APPLY NOW!

Naturalized citizens, permanent residents (green card), or those with refugee status (with SSN) are eligible. If you have any questions about your eligibility, please contact the English Language Learning Center Director, Akiko Ota, **708-534-3143** or email [aota@govst.edu](mailto:aota@govst.edu).



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