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Welcome

Welcome to Griffith English Language Institute (GELI), one of Australia's leading English language providers.

At GELI, your individual goals are important, regardless of whether you want to improve your English for study, work, travel or personal interest. Our classes are small so you will receive individual attention from your teachers. You will also have access to a range of free online resources to help you develop your English skills outside class.

We have a strong focus on providing excellent learning opportunities for all our students. In your classes you will have highly-qualified and experienced teachers. Outside the classroom you can continue to improve your English through fun social activities, and adventures exploring our beautiful natural environment. Not only will your language skills improve quickly, but you will make friends with students from all around the world.

Congratulations on your decision to study abroad, and we look forward to meeting you at GELI!

Kerry Sutcliffe
Director (GELI)



On the cover

“Griffith English Language Institute helped me achieve my dream by providing a pathway programme to Griffith University. I can’t recommend GELI enough to international students looking to improve their English.”

Claire (China)

GELI graduate/Bachelor of International Tourism and Hotel Management



Scan to watch Claire's video about her time studying at GELI.

ABOUT GELI

For over 30 years, Griffith University's award-winning Griffith English Language Institute (GELI) has been delivering English language programs to international students.



Direct Entry Program

Gain entry to a Griffith University degree, Study Abroad or Exchange program, or a Griffith College program.



Griffith University services and facilities

Access facilities including the library, sporting facilities, and health and welfare services.



Award-winning excellence

Multi award-winning institute and recipient of University, state and national industry awards.



Independent Learning

Follow weekly independent learning plans to enhance your English language skills.



Student engagement program

Enjoy opportunities to practise English and make new friends outside the classroom with a range of free and low-cost activities that are offered every term.



Courses for all students

Improve your English for study, work, travel or personal interest.



OUR LOCATIONS

*You can study at GELI in Brisbane City
or on campus at the Gold Coast.*



Find out more
griffith.edu.au/life-at-griffith/off-campus

BRISBANE

Brisbane is a vibrant, expanding city, offering world-class education, a beautiful climate and a superb lifestyle. It is an ideal place to study and develop your career.



Average temperature: 15°C–26°C



Population: 2.62 million*



283 days of sunshine a year



Culturally diverse population:
27% of Brisbane's residents were born overseas



Brisbane is the host city of the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games

GOLD COAST

Beautiful beaches, excellent quality of life and friendly people make the Gold Coast a popular study destination.



Average temperature: 15°C–25°C



Population: More than 645,000†



300 days of sunshine a year



Beautiful white sandy beaches
spanning nearly 60km of coastline



100,000 hectares of World
Heritage-listed rainforests



*Population data supplied by City of Brisbane
brisbane.qld.gov.au/brisbane-community-profiles

†Population data supplied by City of Gold Coast
goldcoast.qld.gov.au/Council-region/About-our-city/Population-data

Learn English at GELI

Your direct English pathway to a Griffith University degree, Study Abroad or Exchange program, or a Griffith College program.

Direct Entry Program

Join our highly popular Direct Entry Program to gain the English skills necessary to enter a Griffith University degree or a program at Griffith College.

There are seven levels in the Direct Entry Program and you will be placed in the appropriate class for you based on your proficiency test or your Griffith English Test result.

In our classes, you will use technology to access your learning materials and complete your class work.

In the Direct Entry Program, you will build your English language skills in Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking, and at the higher levels you will practise academic skills that will help you to be successful in your future studies.

When you successfully complete the Direct Entry Program at the equivalent of the IELTS level needed for your degree or diploma, you can enter your program directly without needing to submit a proficiency test result.*

Direct Entry Program CRICOS 013051D

General English

Our English courses are not just for people wanting to go to university. We know there are a variety of reasons you may want to improve your English. Whether you are beginner or advanced, you can enrol in our General English program to achieve your goals. You will receive all the benefits of being part of the Griffith University community, with access to student support services and activities.

If you change your study preferences and decide that you would like to apply to Griffith University or Griffith College at a later date, you will already be on the pathway to undertake further study.

English study tours and group programs

We offer specialised English programs that are tailored to each group's specific requirements, including cultural activities, field trips, visits, excursions and accommodation arrangements.

Fees

All GELI weekly fees include tuition, the learning resources you need to study, and access to activities and support services.

Up to 25 weeks: **A\$465 per week**

26+ weeks: **A\$435 per week**

Enrolment fee: **A\$225**

Griffith English Test

If you do not have an English proficiency test result, take our free online English test to find your English class placement level for Griffith English Language Institute.†

griffith.edu.au/english-test

If you are applying for a student visa, you may be required to submit an acceptable English proficiency test score with your visa application.

How long will I study at GELI?

Griffith University degree (requiring IELTS 6.5^)		ENTRY SCORES			
Direct Entry Program	WEEKS	IELTS Academic	PTE Academic	TOEFL iBT	ISLPR
		6.5 (no sub-score <6.0)	58 (no Comm Skill <50)	79 (no sub-score <19)	3+ (all sub-scores)
		6.0 (no sub-score <5.5)	50 (no Comm Skill <42)	71 (W 19, L,R,S 17)	W3 (2 scores 3, 1 score 2+)
		5.5 (no sub-score <5.0, W 5.5)	42 (no Comm Skill <36, W 42)	52 (W 17, S 15, L,R 10)	2+ (all sub-scores)
		5.5 (no sub-score <5.0)	42 (no Comm Skill <36)	52 (W,S 15, L,R 10)	W2+ (2 scores 2+, 1 score 2)
		5.0 (no sub-score <4.5, W 5.0)	36 (no Comm Skill <30, W 36)	40 (W 15, S 13, L,R 6)	2 (all sub-scores)
10–35 weeks	35	5.0 (no sub-score <4.5)	36 (no Comm Skill <30)	40 (W,S 13, L,R 6)	W2 (2 scores 2, 1 score 1+)

Key: W = Writing, L = Listening, R = Reading, S = Speaking, < = less than, Comm Skill = Communicative Skill.

*A small number of degrees require a formal proficiency test for entry. Check the English language entry requirements for your degree at griffith.edu.au/international-study

†If you already have an English proficiency test result (e.g. IELTS), you do not need to take the Griffith English Test.

^Check the English language entry requirements for your degree at griffith.edu.au/international-study

Please note: it normally takes 10–15 weeks to progress from one level to the next. This table indicates expected course length for students requiring IELTS 6.5.

Sample timetable (DEP Level 5)

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 hour	Grammar and Vocabulary	Reading and Critical Thinking	Grammar and Vocabulary	Listening and Speaking	Grammar and Vocabulary Review
1 hour	Reading and Critical Thinking	Reading and Critical Thinking	Reading and Critical Thinking	Listening and Speaking	Writing
	Break				
1 hour	Writing	Listening and Speaking	Writing	Writing	Project
1 hour	Writing	Listening and Speaking	Writing	Writing	Project



GELI classes

Class sizes at GELI are small so you will receive personal attention from your teachers and progress quickly through your studies.

There are 20 hours of study per week, plus an additional 5 hours of independent learning each week using GELI's independent learning plans. You will need a laptop to access learning resources and for some class activities.

Classes are held daily Monday to Friday in two 2-hour sessions with a break between the sessions.



PTE Academic Test Centre

Griffith's PTE Academic Test Centre is located on the Gold Coast campus. PTE Academic is a computer-based test of English language proficiency for study, migration and professional registration. Tests results are typically available within five business days.

PTE ACADEMIC™
pearsonpte.com

“During my time at GELI, the immersive English learning experience significantly improved my language skills and provided a solid foundation for my academic journey.”

Issei (Japan)



Find out more
griffith.edu.au/english-programs





WHERE TO LIVE

Whether you would like to live on campus or off campus, there are several options you can explore to find housing to suit your needs. Options include Homestay, which allows you to experience life with a local family while you study.

Temporary and short-stay accommodation

If you are intending to organise long-term off-campus accommodation once you arrive in Queensland, it is vitally important that you organise temporary accommodation for your first few days or weeks in Queensland, as it is important that you inspect your long-term off-campus accommodation before you move in. There are short-term accommodation options located near each of our campuses that are easily accessible by public transport.

Off campus

In Australia, share housing—where you share a house or apartment with a number of other students—is the most common form of off-campus accommodation.

When looking for suitable off-campus accommodation, you will need to consider:

- the cost of rent (usually advertised as a weekly amount)
- if utilities are included in your rent (electricity, water, gas)
- if internet is included in your rent
- if the accommodation is furnished
- how close the accommodation is to your campus
- access to public transport.

Off-campus accommodation preferred partners

The University has preferred partnerships with a selection of student accommodation providers in Brisbane and the Gold Coast. To ensure the quality and safety of these accommodation options, they have been inspected by Griffith University staff and have met performance and standards criteria.

Homestay

Homestay accommodation gives you the opportunity to live with an Australian family while you study. It is a great way to develop your English language skills and experience life in Australia, and offers catered and self-catered options. Homestay is available to GELI students studying in Brisbane City and at the Gold Coast. Some homestay providers offer independent living options such as a granny flat.

On campus

Griffith offers self-catered accommodation at Nathan campus and partners with Campus Living Villages to provide self-catered, on-campus accommodation in the Griffith University Village on the Gold Coast campus.

Please note that there is no on-site student accommodation at GELI Brisbane City, but it is ideally located near purpose-built student accommodation buildings (see 'off-campus' information).

COMING SOON!

New accommodation in 2026

Our Gold Coast campus is set to boast a new student accommodation tower. It is forecast for completion in 2026, with 459 new beds to be available.



Find out more
griffith.edu.au/where-to-live

Cost of living

There are many different costs involved in international study and your cost of living in Australia will vary depending on your lifestyle and personal requirements.

South East Queensland offers a combination of quality education and high living standards.

The Australian Government requires students on a student visa to have access to a minimum of **A\$29,710*** per year to meet their living costs, but most students spend more than this. Costs will be higher if you have family members accompanying you.

Calculating your total cost of study

Your total cost of studying in Australia will include:

- tuition fees
- visa application fees
- Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
- flights
- cost of living
- other personal and study-related expenses.

Tuition fees

Tuition fees are reviewed annually, and students should expect an increase in fees each year.

Weekly cost of living estimate

Please be advised these figures are an estimate only and individual differences mean prices will vary. Please note these costs do not include: arrival costs, temporary /short-term accommodation, security deposit, textbooks, clothing and medical expenses. Some of this information is based on 2024 costs according to Study Australia** (for more details visit: studyaustralia.gov.au/english/live/living-costs).

	Self-catered on campus	Share house off campus	Homestay off campus
Campus availability	G, N	G, N, M, S, L	G, N, M, S, L
Rent	\$180–\$300 (N), \$300–\$450 (G)	\$250–\$450	\$250–\$420
Food	\$140–\$280	\$140–\$280	Variable [^]
Transport to university	Walking distance	\$30–\$60	\$30–\$60
Electricity and gas	Included	\$25–\$40	Included [†]
Mobile phone and internet	\$15–\$30 (Internet included at Gold Coast and Nathan campuses).	\$15–\$30	\$15–\$30
Entertainment	\$100–\$200	\$100–\$200	\$100–\$200

Airport pickup

International students commencing at GELI can apply for a free airport pickup, which takes you from the airport directly to your pre-arranged accommodation. The service is free for eligible new international students arriving at the Brisbane or Gold Coast airports. griffith.edu.au/airport-reception



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/international-costs

*As at May 2024. [^]Fully-catered Homestay accommodation includes food. The cost of fully-catered, semi-catered or self-catered Homestay accommodation will vary. [†]Students can expect to pay an additional cost for heating and air conditioning. **These costs were calculated in January 2024.

Your student experience

Whether you choose to study at GELI Gold Coast or GELI Brisbane City, you will have access to facilities and services to support you in your studies and your life in Australia.



Independent learning

Your study at GELI includes additional online independent learning resources specially designed to support your class work. We encourage you to follow the weekly independent learning plan for your class level.



Academic workshops

Attend free after-class workshops to assist you to improve in specific skill areas such as grammar and vocabulary.



Activities and events

At GELI, learning English does not stop when you leave the classroom. Join GELI's after-class and weekend activities to practise English and make new friends. Through the Griffith Mates activities program, you can also attend free and low-cost activities, networking events and day trips throughout South East Queensland. These are available to all current Griffith University, Griffith College and GELI students.



International Student Advisory

If you need extra information or support, make an in-person or online appointment with an International Student Advisor. International Student Advisors provide information to support you to manage your life and your studies.

**[griffith.edu.au/
international-student-advisors](http://griffith.edu.au/international-student-advisors)**



Health and wellbeing

If you need a doctor, there are health and medical services located on the Gold Coast and Nathan campuses, as well as medical centres and hospitals near GELI Brisbane City.

If you need someone to talk to about personal issues, we offer free, confidential student counselling on campus.

griffith.edu.au/student-services



Library and computer labs

GELI students have access to Griffith University libraries, which have computers available for study and a free WIFI connection.

griffith.edu.au/library



Clubs and societies

Griffith has over 120 clubs in cultural, religious, political, educational, sporting, professional and special interest areas. There are also international student clubs, societies and associations, including from: Africa, Bangladesh, China, Philippines, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Papua New Guinea, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam.

griffith.edu.au/clubs



Sport and fitness

Griffith offers a variety of sporting facilities and competitions. Join Griffith Sport for social sport competitions. Enjoy discount student memberships for facilities including:

- on-campus gyms
- Mt Gravatt Tennis Centre
- swimming pools at Mt Gravatt and Gold Coast campuses.

griffith.edu.au/sport



Religion

Each Griffith campus provides access to prayer facilities. Multi-faith chaplaincy is located on the Gold Coast and Nathan campuses, with online appointments also available.

griffith.edu.au/chaplaincy



Find out more

griffith.edu.au/geli/student-life

How to apply

Applying to study at GELI is easy. With applications open all year round, you can complete your application in four simple steps.

1

CHOOSE THE ENGLISH PROGRAM YOU WANT TO STUDY

See English language program options at griffith.edu.au/english-programs.

2

PREPARE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Include certified copies of any required documentation (translated into English if applicable).

3

APPLY ONLINE

Apply online or via a registered recruitment representative. If you are applying for a Griffith University degree or Study Abroad or Exchange program, you will receive a packaged offer and we will let you know how many weeks of English you need to complete to achieve your study goals in your Letter of Offer.

If you are applying only for an English language program, you will receive an offer for your chosen number of weeks.

griffith.edu.au/geli/apply

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ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

Once you have received a Letter of Offer, you must formally accept your offer and pay your total deposit fee.

AFTER YOU ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

Once you have accepted your offer, Griffith University will:

- send you a Welcome Letter confirming your enrolment;
- send you an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCOE) if you are applying for a student visa;
- provide information about Orientation;
- send you a series of emails with information to assist your transition to study at GELI.



Find out more
griffith.edu.au/geli/apply



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Key dates

Orientation	Classes Start
6 January	6 January
7 February	10 February
14 March	17 March
17 April	22 April
23 May	26 May
27 June	30 June
1 August	4 August
5 September	8 September
10 October	13 October
14 November	17 November

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