

Improve Your English

Program / idea	Cost	Where	Contact	Comments
Talktime	Free	Local libraries	Talktime	Conversation practice for all levels.
English Language Institute	Various (around \$115-340 per class)	BC	http://depts.bellevuecollege.edu/eli/	For anyone who wants to work in specific areas of improvement, e.g. grammar, pronunciation. TOEFL preparation (for university) offered.
Continuing Education	Various– see catalogue for costs	BC – main campus and north campus	http://continuingeducation.bellevuecollege.edu/	Short classes and workshops in many subjects. Check ESL classes.
Developmental Educational ESL	Credit fees apply	BC	Developmental Education / ESL Call the Bellevue College Admissions Office at (425) 564-2223, or go to Student Services , Building B	Take the compass test first to see where you place. Classes prepare you for college.
Volunteer	Free!	Non-profit organizations	www.idealists.org	Research on Google: enter volunteer, Bellevue for more ideas. Check your local papers. Get involved in your community.
Find a job	Min. cost to you! Earn a salary and benefits.	Various	Human Resources	Even an entry level, temporary position will help to improve your knowledge of the culture and language in the U.S.
ESL Websites	Free	Online	www.eslabout.com	English website to develop general and business English. Practice all 4 skill areas: listening, speaking, reading and writing.
ESL organizations	Free events and information.	Meetup	http://www.ellalliance.org/	Organizations created to help adults who are learning English connect with others and practice English skills.
	Free events and information.	Meetup	www.englisharoundtheworld.com	English services for international engineers and support for adjusting to life in Seattle. International gatherings for community, friendship and English practice.
	Free information.	Online	www.prepareforworkknow.com	Videos and e-guides designed for ESL job seekers. Read information and a blog to find out more about job searching in the U.S.
Libraries	Free	library	www.kcls.org	Visit website for information