

WELCOME TO COLUMBIA COLLEGE

- Columbia College is accredited by the Council on Occupational Education (COE) to award certificates and associates degrees.
- Columbia College has been certified by State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).
- Financial Aid is available for students who qualify.
- Approved for the training of Veterans

MISSION

Columbia College provides high-quality, relevant, and varied educational programs and opportunities for the intellectual, cultural, and personal growth of all members of its community. The College values its role as an educational institution, embracing change and responding to the complex needs of those it serves.

WHY COLUMBIA COLLEGE?

1. Nationally Accredited
2. Certified School for I-20 Issuance :F-1 Students
3. CPT and OPT for International Students
4. J-1 Exchange Visitor + Internship Program Available
5. Convenient Class Schedule - Morning & Evening
6. Outstanding Curriculum and Faculties
7. Competitive Tuition
8. Easy to Access
 - Three campuses in Washington Metropolitan Area
9. Students First



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STUDENTS first

Vocational ESL

Vocational
English as a Second Language



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VESL

Vocational English as a Second Language

WHAT IS VOCATIONAL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Vocational English as a Second Language (VESL) program is to help immigrants learn English skills which can be used in their employment or in a particular vacation or provide language education with instruction in job-specific skills.

GOAL OF VOCATIONAL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

The goal of vocational English as a Second Language (VESL) programs is to assist refugees and immigrants to find employment in the United States by increasing their use of second language and their technical skills. The goal is for students to acquire fluency in English so that they can obtain better jobs opportunities in the United States without communication difficulties. VESL programs allow immigrants to become better communicators within their work setting and identify transferable job skills.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE VOCATIONAL ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Columbia College Vocational English as a Second Language Program is designed to provide job related communication skill and comprehensive English language skill for job readiness and job advancement for students who have previous job experience and/or skills. There are basic business English skill courses such as 'Job success' series and practical language classes such as listening, speaking, reading, writing and sentence structure. The courses focus on basic interpersonal communication (BICS) skills such as expressing needs and like, describing people, places, and things, retelling past events, asking informational questions, making predictions, and expressing and supporting opinions.

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VESL COURSE INTRODUCTION

BEGINNER - JOB SUCCESS 1

This course is to provide job related English expressions for the students who can barely communicate in English. The primary goal is to assist students in developing the elementary skills to communicate in order to survive in work situations through videos and practical skill-based materials. This will enhance the students' confidence in their work and life and eventually enable them converse in basic English conversation expressions. The real-life subject matter provides and introduces authentic and practical information on American life and customs.

INTERMEDIATE- JOB SUCCESS 2

This course is designed to develop basic job related English conversational skills in day-to-day work situations for high beginners. The focus of the course is on improving work related expressions with more comprehension and increasing conversational fluency for their job application and interview. Through a broad range of student-centered activities via videos and emails, students are given the opportunities to practice and reinforce basic sentence structures and patterns in speech and writing.

INTERMEDIATE- JOB SUCCESS 3

This course provides students with the listening, speaking, reading, writing skills necessary to be able to communicate effectively in a range of everyday social and work situations. Students will think about job needs, assess job skills and look for jobs with application skills. Through this course, students will preview what probable interview situations exist and prepare for the job acceptance.

ADVANCED- JOB SUCCESS 4

This course is designed to develop high intermediate level students' interpersonal skills and build interpersonal relationships throughout job related conversation skills and idiomatic collocational expressions. Conversational and idiomatic skills focus on fluent and appropriate use of oral communication skills in a variety of social and business situations. Students also learn appropriate verbal and non-verbal manners at work situations as well as conversation management techniques to exchange ideas in small and large group communications. Eventually, students will be able to discuss long term plans and goals for their job career.

ADVANCED- JOB SUCCESS 5

This course is designed for students to improve practical skills such as reply to a business email, evaluate marketing strategies, compare consumer ads and invoice and purchase order. Identify, make connection. The scope of the course includes listening/speaking, grammar, pronunciation, reading and writing skills, vocabulary, job-seeking skills, and career pathways. By adding the writing skills, students will be able to write a biography, problem solution by using thesis statement. Job-seeking skills such as assess skills, research jobs, set goals, write a cover letter.

TUITION INFORMATION (PER 10-WEEK) EFFECTIVE 08/27/2018

Programs	Tuition	Hours per week	Total weeks	Total Tuition
Intensive	\$1,640	20 Hrs.	60 weeks	\$9,840
Part Time	\$890	10 Hrs.	60 weeks	\$5,340