

## WELCOME TO COLUMBIA COLLEGE

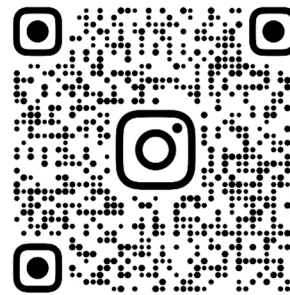
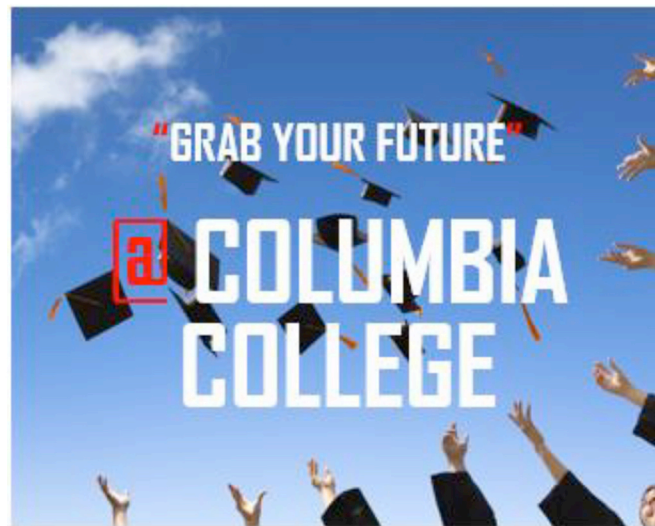
- Columbia College is accredited by the Council on Occupational Education (COE) to award certificates and associates degrees.
- Columbia College has been certified by State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).
- Financial Aid is available for students who qualify.
- Approved for the training 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 whom 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 Faculty
7. Competitive Tuition
8. Easy to Access
  - Two campuses in Washington Metropolitan Area
9. Students First



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STUDENTS first

# Vocational ESL

Vocational  
English as a Second Language



**"CHALLENGE TO SUCCEED"**

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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 vocation 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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## Vocational English as a Second Language (VESL)



## VESL COURSE INTRODUCTION

### BEGINNER

The **BEGINNER** class is to assist students at the elementary level in entering English easier and smoother. Basic reading and grammar along with a variety of expressions related to vocational environments are provided for a better communication.

### INTERMEDIATE

The **INTERMEDIATE** class is to develop job related English conversational fluency. Through the students centered activities, a variety of opportunities are given to practice and reinforce basic sentence structures and patterns in speech and writing.

### ADVANCED

The **ADVANCED** class is designed for the students to build up higher level of interpersonal communication skills related social and business situations. Students learn how to exchange ideas in small and large group communications through conversational management techniques.

Total 60 weeks  
10 weeks per session  
6 Basic Levels

