FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings from the Intensive English Language Program (IELP) at Portland State University. We hope that this finds you and your family well. This year, the IELP has been celebrating its 50th Anniversary as one of the nation’s leaders in providing outstanding teaching that has prepared students to be competent English speakers and leaders around the world.

Remember your IELP days at PSU? Whether they were 50 years ago, last year, or just yesterday, your time in the IELP is part of our history and part of yours. We would love for you to share any news, stories, and pictures about your life after the IELP and, of course, your time studying in the IELP. Your story could be inspiring to a current student, and you could make a difference in someone’s life. Please stay connected. - Julie Haun
The IELP is 50 years old! To celebrate, we hosted an Open House.

IELP teachers, staff, students, and alumni helped plan the event and greet guests. Over one hundred visitors from the PSU campus community and beyond joined the celebration, and everyone thought it was a rousing success. Some highlights of the event were a time line of the IELP that wrapped all the way around our suite; student-made videos with tips for teaching international students; information about IELP classes, programs, and services; and a display of alumni accomplishments.

Stay in touch with the IELP so we can showcase your achievements next time we host such an event.
IELP Welcomes Fulbright Scholars to Portland in Summer 2015

The Intensive English Language Program (IELP) at Portland State University is one of two intensive English Language programs selected nationally to host Fulbright students for six weeks of English Language study. The program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and is facilitated through the Institute of International Education.

Twenty-eight graduate students from 21 countries and a variety of academic majors began their Portland visit on June 28 and will depart for their American host universities on August 8. The IELP classes prepared the Fulbright scholars for the academic and cultural expectations they are likely to experience while completing advanced degrees in the United States. In addition to the American Culture and Academic Life course, scholars also studied oral communication, research and writing methods, and reading strategies. Specially-designed Friday workshops also provided scholars the opportunity to engage with a variety of topics from sustainability to leadership. In addition to course work, they enjoyed getting to know Portland, meeting Americans from various walks of life, and volunteering in the community.

New IELP Program Launched in Summer 2015:
Summer Communication and Culture Program

What is it? A short-term summer program that offers a fun and engaging curriculum to improve students' English communication skills.

Now accepting applications for summer 2016.
Please help us spread the word!
Make a gift to the Intensive English Language Program

Help us continue as one of the nation’s leaders in teaching English to international students and preparing students for undergraduate and graduate programs at Portland State University and as a pathway to other U.S. universities. We hope that our IELP alumni will give us the ability to support generations of students to come. We need your support now more than ever. Every gift you make benefits our students and faculty and deepens your connections with our IELP program, Portland State University, Portland and the United States. Please consider donating in honor of our 50th birthday.

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