

# ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

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## Department

Are you a non-native speaker of English who wants to strengthen your English skills? Communicating well in the common language of global business will improve your job prospects, and developing stronger English also deepens access to U.S. media, culture, and history.

### Occupations

Overall, mastering English can result in pay 25% to 40% higher than for those with limited English proficiency. Within the Napa Valley, there are many public and private industries and companies in the region that support, employ and service English language learners (ELLs) in the surrounding community. Sectors include hospitality (wine making, hotel, culinary), healthcare, education, social services, and criminal justice. Improved understanding of the English language helps workers carry out the tasks and duties of their jobs, progress in their academic fields of study, function in the course of their daily lives, and understand their rights as migrants.

- Preschool teachers
- Medical assistants
- Food service managers
- Customer service representatives
- Agricultural supervisors

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## Certificates and Courses

### Certificate

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### Courses

- English as a Second Language (ESL) (<https://catalog.napavalley.edu/courses/esl/>)
- English as a Second Language-Noncredit (ELSNC) (<https://catalog.napavalley.edu/courses/eslnc/>)