

# Alabama Language Institute (English as a Second Language)

The Alabama Language Institute (ALI), located on the Wallace Drive Campus of GSCC, is an intensive, full-time English language program approved by and operated under the Alabama Community College System. It is a member of English USA: The American Association of Intensive English Programs (formerly AAIEP) and has been in operation since 1973.

For an International student who has not attained a score of 500 (ITP), or 61 (iBT), or higher on the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language); a 5.5 on the IELTS (International English Language Testing Service); a 95 on the Duolingo English Test; or Pre-First on the Step Eiken, the Alabama Language Institute (ALI) offers a comprehensive course of instruction in all aspects of the English language. (Students should also see "Exceptions" under "[Admission of International Students](#)") Upon qualifying for admission, an applicant may begin studies in any of the three regular sessions scheduled during the year. Sessions begin in August, January, and May. A student may enroll in ALI for as many sessions as needed, provided that he/she is making progress. Once placed in a level, the student advances to the next level by earning a minimum of a "C" average in each of the classes.

For additional information about the Alabama Language Institute, visit the [ALI](#) webpage or contact 256.549.8446.

For admissions information, write to International Admissions, Gadsden State Community College, P. O. Box 227, Gadsden, AL 35902-0227; telephone 256.549.8210; or email [international@gadsdenstate.edu](mailto:international@gadsdenstate.edu).

**Alabama Language Institute students are not eligible for federal student aid.**