

## EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS









## **ACCETS**

**TALK International** is accredited by ACCET (Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training).

TALK International is authorized under Federal Law to enroll non-immigrant alien students.

"It is difficult to imagine a profession more rewarding than teaching at TALK. As a former instructor and current school director, I really enjoy interacting with my students and facilitating their development."



George De Souza

Center Director - TALK Boston

# EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS AT **TALK** LANGUAGE CENTERS

TALK brings together students from all corners of the world, providing them with the opportunity to learn English and experience American culture in a nurturing, supportive and dynamic environment.

Our students finish our programs with excellent fluency, more confidence and new friends from around the world!

#### As a TALK Student, you will benefit from:

- Superb and convenient locations in Fort Lauderdale, Boston and San Francisco
- Interactive classroom technology
- Highly qualified instructors and ACCET accreditation, which ensures a superior learning environment
- Comprehensive course offerings including general, academic and professional English, exam preparation and specialized programs
- University Placement Service offered to students who attend classes for 16 weeks or more







#### EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS AT TALK

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#### My day at TALK San Francisco



#### Jake (Somang) Lee, Korea

#### 07:00 - 7:30

I have breakfast before going to class. Usually I eat fried eggs and bacon. It makes me feel vigorous for the day.

#### 9:00 - 10:30

During my first class, we talk about news and learn new vocabulary in the ESL course.

#### 10:30 - 10:45

Morning break. I have coffee with my friends.

#### 10:45 - 12:15

It's the second ESL class. We learn grammar and improve our listening and speaking skills.

#### 12:15 - 12:30

Afternoon break

#### 12:30 - 13:30

Conversation/Skills class. We learn useful English expressions while communicating with classmates and our teacher. After watching or listening to something that can be an internationally common topic, we discuss it and brainstorm together.

#### 13:30 - 14:30

Lunch time! I usually eat sushi with my Japanese and Brazilian friends. Sometimes many friends from many different countries cook together. We cook food from our own country and we share with each other. It is so fantastic because before I didn't know that Mexican food is delicious. I can taste many exotic foods.

#### 14:30 - 18:00

I look around at the many interesting things in the Bay Area with my friends. This moment is the happiest moment in my life abroad. I also enjoy shopping.

#### 18:00 - 19:30

In the evenings I do my homework and surf the internet to find information about interesting places in the Bay Area and I decide where my next destination will be.

Here in the Bay Area there are so many astonishing things to see and do. During weekdays I like to participate in outdoor activities. I get to understand American lifestyle and culture. Everything in the Bay Area is amazing and arouses my curiosity.

97% Of our students recommend TALK to their friends and family per student evaluation

## WHY STUDENTS LOVE TALK

#### **HIGH QUALITY**

Year after year, we earn a high level of student satisfaction and a high student return rate. Our ACCET accredited schools ensure a superior learning environment with highly qualified instructors ensuring an excellent student experience.

#### **GREAT LOCATIONS**

We offer superb study locations in the USA. With schools in Boston, Fort Lauderdale and San Francisco, our centers offer a variety of study environments maximizing your study experience in the USA.

#### **CULTURAL IMMERSION**

TALK students have a unique opportunity to be fully immersed in American culture in the classroom and beyond. Our teachers and staff ensure that students practice English not only in class, but also through our fun activities!

#### **EXCITING ACTIVITIES**

Each month, our activity coordinators plan fun social calendars filled with many options for students to interact with their peers. Activities include soccer games, barbeques, museums, sporting events, dining out, weekend trips and much more!

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## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

As a student at TALK, you will learn from some of the finest, best-trained and most dedicated teachers in the field. You will be fully immersed in the English language throughout your time in the USA, whether you choose to study for two weeks or a full academic year!

In addition to textbooks, you will learn from a variety of resources including websites, videos, CDs, news articles and current events that draw from contemporary real-life experiences. Our teachers ensure that you are an active participant in presentations, discussions, dialogues and group work, which will give you confidence to put to use what you've learned in everyday situations.

# ACCETS IELTS aaiep American Association of Intensive English Program

When I arrived to TALK San Francisco at NDNU everyone was very helpful. I liked to study English and I had a lot of American and International friends.

I learned a lot about Campus life and American culture and also I had so many good experiences. I really enjoyed the time in Talk Language School.

Eszter Ferenczi Hungary TALK San Francisco at NDNU

#### Your courses provide:

- The ideal amount of class and home study to ensure maximum progress
- Interactive classroom technology to enhance your learning experience
- Exciting and relevant subjects to keep you interested
- Appropriate levels to ensure you are challenged in class
- Personal attention and average class size of 10-12 students (and maximum of 15), providing a nurturing environment to support your progress
- Extracurricular language activities and assignments

## The testing and documentation processes include:

- A placement test on your first day, allowing us to evaluate your entry level of English proficiency
- · Weekly progress tests
- A final exam at the completion of each level
- A Course Completion Certificate or Certificate of Attendance to document your success





### YOUR TEACHERS

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Our teachers utilize the communicative method of language acquisition with cutting-edge materials and technology to optimize your learning! Our focus on academic excellence and attention to detail will help you reach your goal.

#### CLASSES THAT PROVIDE RESULTS

We help students get the most out of their learning by incorporating news and web articles, current events, and situations they are likely to encounter in real life. Our goal is to have each and every student sound like a native speaker!

#### INTERACTIVE CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY

At TALK, we understand that today's students utilize technology in every aspect of their lives, especially in the academic learning process. In order to maximize our students' educational progression, we've installed interactive technology in each of our classrooms.

All TALK students will benefit from our interactive curriculum which they'll find engaging, dynamic and fun!

What to expect from our interactive classroom environment:

- Course materials and curriculum, including our interactive course book, will be displayed on the board, inviting students to enhance their learning experience
- Online resources are immediately available bringing current events, online videos, sounds and images to the classroom environment
- Allows for easy use of PowerPoint presentations, YouTube, online resources, DVD's and educational software











"I love teaching at TALK International because it's the perfect balance of academics and cultural exchange. What makes TALK unique is its full immersion approach to learning English. Along with learning during class time, students are living and breathing American culture and practice the skills they learn in class in their everyday lives here."



Vanessa Borges
Instructor at TALK Fort Lauderdale



#### THE **TALK** ADVANTAGE

- Focus on the development of general language proficiency and an understanding of American life and culture.
- Preparation for social interaction and English used in day-to-day activities.
- You can personalize your course by adding electives to your core English program. Electives include Exam Preparation, Business English, Clear Speech and Pronunciation.

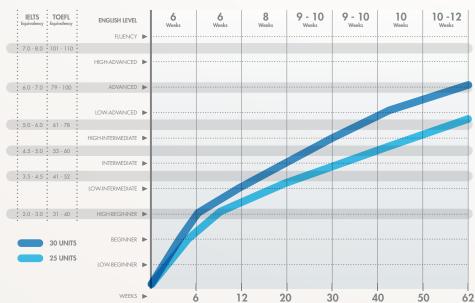


## GENERAL ENGLISH PROGRAMS

TALK's English programs are built around a core curriculum that provides classes that offer structure and flexibility. There are 10 levels of English language offered from beginner to proficiency with appropriate materials provided for each level. All class levels are based on an integrated approach to language acquisition by focusing on the development of speaking, listening, reading and writing skills.

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## YOUR PROGRESS CHART



\* Results will vary depending on each individual





## SPECIALIZED ENGLISH PROGRAMS

#### FAMILY PROGRAM

Our family program provides course schedules for parents and children that are conveniently arranged to coincide.

#### INTENSIVE ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL TRACK PROGRAM

This program provides international high school students with intensive English language training and a general orientation to the American high school experience.

#### JUNIOR PROGRAM

Students aged 13 to 17 years have an exciting opportunity to study English in the US while creating memories with students from all over the world.

#### **BUSINESS AND LEGAL ENGLISH CLASSES**

These classes help students develop the English language skills that are required in a global environment.

#### PRIVATE INSTRUCTION

Private (One-to-One) and Semi-Private (Two-to-One) programs are thoughtfully designed to match your needs.

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#### GROUP AND SUMMER PROGRAMS

Our group programs typically offer students 18 units of English per week, numerous excursions, most meals, and accommodations consisting of homestays, hotels or residence.

#### **Exam Preparation Courses**

TALK's comprehensive Test Preparation Programs provide you with the specific English skills, test-taking techniques, strategies and ongoing support needed in order to obtain the highest possible results on your exams.

#### **TOEFL** or IELTS with Intensive English

At TALK, students enjoy the benefits of enrolling in an Intensive English program to perfect their language skills while preparing for either the TOEFL or IELTS exam.

TALK Fort Lauderdale is an official IELTS™ test center and offers preparation courses for the exam. TALK also provides students with the opportunity to prepare for other exams relevant for university admission. Our exam preparation courses require an English proficiency of high intermediate or above.

All Exams are registered trade marks.





**OUR CENTERS** 

Whether you're seeking to be in a cultural, historic and vibrant city, on a university campus close to nature and technology giants, or in a sub-tropical paradise close to beautiful beaches with warm and sunny weather, TALK will take you there!

Our centers are located in some of the most beautiful and important cities in the USA

- Boston, the Academic Capital of the USA
- Fort Lauderdale, the Venice of America
- San Francisco, the City by the Bay

The specific location of each of our centers is carefully selected – the areas are close to shopping and restaurants and well served by public transportation. Also, they are close to accommodations so that students are able to get to and from the centers with ease.

Our centers are custom-built with modern, bright and clean facilities designed to provide students with the perfect environment for learning and making new friends.





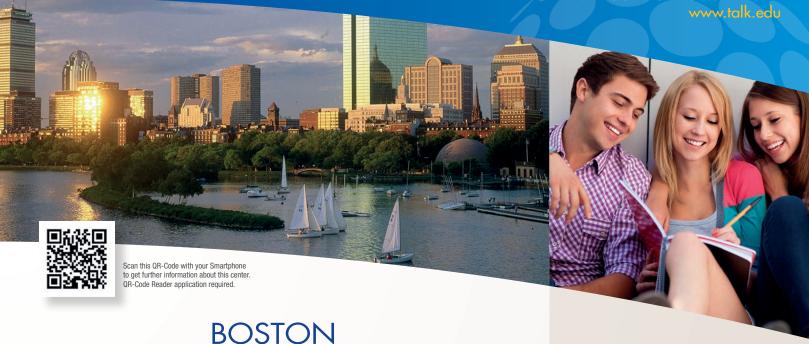
Julio Castello Brazil **TALK San Francisco** 











## "The Academic Capital of the USA"

Boston is a historic American city known for its prestigious colleges and universities. You will also find an abundance of museums, theaters, bookshops, boutiques, sports venues, and great nightlife. Surrounded by a rich and illustrious academic environment with so much to see and do, Boston is an ideal place to study English.

## TALK Boston

#### SCHOOL INFORMATION

Located in the center of Boston's most dynamic area, TALK Boston offers a comfortable atmosphere in the midst of the bustle and excitement of this great city. Once you experience our challenging and interactive classes, you will see why 97% of our students recommend TALK to their friends!

#### **Facilities**

- · Newly renovated center
- Interactive classroom technology
- Large and spacious classrooms with natural light and modern furniture
- Conveniently located near cafés, shopping and historic Boston
- Walking distance to Newbury Street and Copley Square
- Free Wi-Fi
- · Easy access to public transportation

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

#### **Homestay**

TALK host families are carefully selected and conveniently live near subway or bus stations, making it easy for students to get to and from school. Host families provide breakfast and dinner every day.

#### Boston City Residence

Conveniently located in the vibrant Fenway neighborhood of Boston, each apartment includes a choice of single or double room, with a bathroom, kitchen, common dining area and full furnishings.





#### **EXPLORE THE CITY**

#### Arts & Culture

- Visit the Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, or the Isabella Gardner Museum
- Enjoy world-class Broadway shows, theater, music and opera at the Wang Theater
- Listen to the Boston Symphony Orchestra perform at Symphony Hall

#### Sports

- Enjoy an afternoon of baseball at Fenway Park watching the world-famous and Boston's own Red Sox team
- Watch the Boston Celtics play basketball, or go to a hockey game featuring the Bruins

#### Shopping & Dining

- Explore the wide range of restaurants and pushcart eateries at Faneuil Hall Market
- Go shopping on the world-renowned Newbury
- Visit Downtown Crossing in the fast-paced financial district

#### Walks & Trails

- Walk the historic Freedom Trail
- Explore Boston Common, the Public Garden and Franklin Park





#### **EXPLORE THE CITY**

#### Sightseeing

- Take a trip to Everglades National Park
- Visit the beautiful beaches of Fort Lauderdale and Miami
- Take a day trip to Disney World, Universal Studios and Sea World
- Explore Key West or the Bahamas over the weekend

#### **Sports**

• South Florida is the home of many world famous sports teams, including the Miami Heat, Florida Marlins, Florida Panthers and Miami Dolphins

#### Arts & Culture

- Visit the Museum of Science
- Enjoy the Museum of Art in Fort Lauderdale or watch a Broadway show at the Arsht Center
- · See a concert at the Bank Atlantic Center or Miami American Airlines Arena

#### Shopping & Dining

- Walk around the Sawgrass Mills Mall, the second largest tourist destination in Florida
- Enjoy the many restaurants and coffee shops Fort Lauderdale has to offer
- Visit Las Olas Boulevard in Fort Lauderdale



## FORT LAUDERDALE

#### "The Venice of America"

Fort Lauderdale welcomes you with beautiful beaches, palm trees, and year-round sunshine. A popular spot for American college students, this city offers hundreds of restaurants, many of them in the charming arts and entertainment district.

## **TALK** Fort Lauderdale

#### SCHOOL INFORMATION

#### Overview

TALK Fort Lauderdale provides a full-immersion experience with academic excellence featuring interactive classroom technology and dedicated teachers who love what they do. Our monthly academic calendar offers a range of exciting activities that give students the opportunity to practice their English with their new friends!

#### **Facilities**

- · Newly renovated center
- Interactive classroom technology
- · Large and spacious classrooms with natural light and modern furniture
- · Comfortable reception and lounge areas, including an outside patio area
- Free Wi-Fi
- Easy access to public transportation and campus shuttles
- · Access to public library at Nova Southeastern University

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

#### TALK Residence

Located about 15 minutes from TALK Fort Lauderdale Center. TALK Residence offers attractively decorated and spacious single or double rooms. Common areas include a pool, small gym, TALK game room and laundry facilities. Daily complimentary breakfast buffet and transportation to and from school is provided.

#### **Homestay**

We know each and every host family personally, and visit them frequently to ensure careful standards are met. Most TALK host families conveniently reside near public transportation, making it easy for students to get to and from school. Host families provide breakfast and dinner every day.







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## SAN FRANCISCO "The City by the Bay"

As one of America's favorite cities and most popular tourist destinations, you will find an array of things to do in San Francisco. Visit the Golden Gate Bridge, ride up and down the hills in a cable car, or visit the nearby wine country. This vibrant, beautiful city is sure to leave you with improved English and lasting memories.

## **TALK** San Francisco

## SCHOOL INFORMATION Overview

- TALK San Francisco is located on the 50-acre campus of Notre Dame de Namur University, just south of San Francisco in the city of Belmont, California.
- Diversity of students from over 24 countries
- Walking distance to cafés and restaurants as well as transportation to San Francisco and Silicon Valley
- Pleasant student environment and opportunity to get to know American college students
- On-site cafeteria which serves local organic products
- Large library which provides the perfect place to study, relax, and check your social media
- Weekly schedule of fun and exciting activities

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

#### On-Campus Residence

New Hall is the newest of the dormitory halls on the NDNU campus. Each student stays in a furnished single room in a four-person suite, consisting of four rooms that share a common area, one bathroom and two sinks.

New Hall features a courtyard where TALK students can mingle with each other and get to know NDNU students as well. Students have access to a common kitchen and laundry room. Optional meal plan can be purchased separately.

#### Homestay

TALK host families are carefully selected and conveniently reside near public transportation, making it easy for students to get to and from school. Host families provide breakfast and dinner every day.

#### **EXPLORE THE CITY**

#### Sightseeing

- Bike the Golden Gate Bridge
- Tour the city by cable car
- Visit Alcatraz
- Take a day trip to Napa wine country

#### **Sports**

 Watch the San Francisco Giants play baseball or the famous 49ers play American football

#### **Technology**

 Nearby Silicon Valley companies include Google, Apple, Facebook and Oracle

#### Arts & Culture

- Explore the Museum of Modern Art, De Young Museum, or the Asian Art Museum
- Spend the day at the San Francisco Zoo
- Enjoy the Wax Museum at Fisherman's Wharf





**ACCOMMODATIONS** 

TALK offers several housing options that give students the chance to practice their English with other students and interact with Americans on a daily basis.

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#### **HOMESTAY**

A perfect opportunity to practice your English with an American family

TALK students are immersed in the language and American culture outside of the classroom.

#### **BOSTON CITY RESIDENCE**

#### Get to know the rich and historic city of Boston

Located in a great central Boston location within walking distance to public transportation, Boston City Residence sits on a lively neighborhood with many American and international students. Students enjoy close proximity to many local attractions, a movie theater, supermarket, pharmacies, and many restaurants.

#### TALK RESIDENCE

#### Live independently while interacting with students from around the world

TALK Residence is conveniently located near shops and restaurants and just 15 minutes from TALK Fort Lauderdale. Students have the option to participate in daily afternoon activities, including beach volleyball, Miami Heat games, Fort Lauderdale city tours, and much more!

#### ON-CAMPUS RESIDENCE - SAN FRANCISCO

#### **Interact with American students**

The on-campus residence at TALK San Francisco features an open inner quad where TALK students can meet and get to know American students at NDNU.

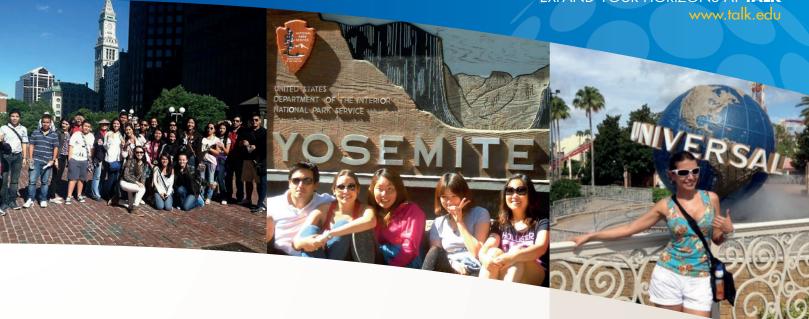
I spent two weeks in Boston studying at TALK. I loved the experience of getting to know an American college and lifestyle of students there. TALK teachers are really good and even in a short time I felt an improvement in my English skills. My family was great, liked to walk with me and talk a lot, which really helped me to practice my English.



Camila Moreira Brazil TALK Boston







## **ACTIVITIES**

We feel it is important to have fun while learning English, and that is why we plan a wide range of activities and excursions every week. Explore Boston's historic Back Bay, ride the rollercoasters in Disney World, or visit the iconic Golden Gate Bridge. Whichever activity you choose, you are sure to practice your English with your classmates while being fully immersed in American culture.

#### SAMPLE ACTIVITY CALENDARS







"Every week the school plans activities, like going bowling or shopping, so that the students can have a good time and give the opportunity to meet each other. That is joyful not only because it helps the students interact, but also because it keeps their minds going in English. Going to the Everglades was an experience completely new for me."



Lucas Pereira Brazil TALK Fort Lauderdale



#### Why Study in the USA?

The higher education system in the USA is one of the best in the world. Regardless of your interests, there is a program for you.

 The USA has 7 of the top 10 ranked universities in the world (as ranked by the London Times) with large university student populations in cities such as Boston, San Francisco, New York and Miami.

## The USA has diverse academic opportunities for every kind of student, including:

- Two year associate degrees at community colleges
- Undergraduate bachelor degrees in areas such as business, music, psychology and more
- A variety of master's programs including business (MBA), arts and sciences



# UNIVERSITY PLACEMENT SERVICE **UPS**

#### Why University Placement?

The US Higher Education system is recognized as the world leader, attracting the best students from around the world. It is large, complex and difficult to understand for American and foreign students alike. This is where we can help you. Student Services International, Inc. (SSII), a TALK subsidiary company will help you navigate your best pathway to obtaining an American degree and achieving academic success.

We have more than 20 partner institutions from which you can choose, including Notre Dame De Namur University, Benedictine College, Utica College and Texas Wesleyan University. Our partner institutions include some of the nation's best community colleges, public universities and graduate programs.

#### Conditional Acceptance

A Conditional Acceptance is a university acceptance with the condition that you will achieve university-level English proficiency. This process allows you to plan your academic future; first your English studies and then university studies.

Our partner universities will accept your completion of the TALK high-advanced level (Level 9) as meeting your English proficiency requirement for university, whereas the others will require an appropriate TOEFL or IELTS score.

#### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- 1. University application
- 2. UPS application fee
- 3. Financial statement (Bank Letter)
- 4. Transcripts translated into English
- 5. Letter of recommendation
- 6. Personal statement essay
- 7. Passport copy























## PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT

#### Student Services International, Inc. (SSII)

SSII has been placing students into Private High Schools for more than 10 years, and TALK has been educating international students in English and test preparation for the past 15 years with exceptional results. You can be assured that when you choose SSII you will have the highest quality Private High School program available in the United States.

Our friendly, highly-qualified staff members are here to help you make the right choice. From start to finish, we will work with you to enroll you in the best high school to fit your personal needs. The challenging academics, personal attention and numerous extracurricular opportunities at our carefully selected schools will provide you with an outstanding education throughout your American high school experience.

Our exclusive partnership with International Student Guardianship, Inc. provides complete guardianship services for students attending one of our South Florida private high schools. The service includes premiums such as monthly progress reports to parents, Guardian interaction with teachers and school administration on student's behalf, carefully selected host families, 24-hour emergency phone line and much more.

#### Select SSII Partner High Schools

Private High School	City	State	Accommodations
Immaculate Heart Central High School	Watertown	New York	Homestay
Maur Hill-Mount Academy	Atchison	Kansas	Dorm
Rutgers Preparatory School	Somerset	New Jersey	Homestay
Westminster Academy	Fort Lauderdale	Florida	ISG Homestay
Zion Lutheran High School	Fort Lauderdale	Florida	ISG Homestay

For additional SSII partner schools, please visit our website at www.usprivateschool.com

#### Sample US High School Curriculum

#### 10th grade (ages 15-16)

English
Fine Arts Survey
Foreign Language
Geometry
Physical Education/Gym
Religion
World History
Biology
Computer Literacy

#### 11th grade (ages 16-17)

English
Foreign Language
Algebra II
Physical Education/Gym
Chemistry
US History
Computer Literacy
Elective\*
Elective\*

#### 12th grade (ages 17-18)

English
Foreign Language
Advanced Math (Pre-Calculus)
Physical Education/Gym
Religion
Physics
Civics/Government
Elective\*
Elective\*

\* varies by schoo



Why **SSII** and **TALK** for Private High School Placement?

#### **EASY APPLICATION PROCESS**

- Assistance with completing school application
- Supplemental documents are listed with the application
- Flexible deadlines and entry dates

#### **EXCELLENT SUPPORT**

- Assistance throughout the process
- Quick turnaround on the high school's decision
- Progress report on academic and social development

#### PREPARING STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS

- High graduation and college admission rates (90% or higher)
- Safe living environment
- Flexible coursework depending on student's needs
- Smaller class size for more teacher attention

#### Flexible Entry Terms and Dates:

- Rolling admissions at most
- Single semester programs
- Summer programs through TALK
- Grade 12 entry at participating schools



## Leading the Way in English Language Training

"Our mission is to help create a world where communication, understanding, cooperation and respect exist between people of all countries and cultures"

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