**Basic English Language Learning**

Basic English Language Learning (BELL) offerings are non-credit courses intended for students with limited knowledge of the English language who wish to improve their skills.

Start by completing the [ELL Guided Self-Placement (GSP)](https://bhcc.edu/be). This assessment will tell you which English Language program is right for you based on your proficiency level.

If the GSP recommends you for placement into BELL classes, complete the BELL Intake and Placement Survey. This survey will place you into the correct level in the BELL program.

The price is $389 for the 15-week course.

The cost of books for BELL is not included in the price. The book must be purchased from the college bookstore located at the main campus on the 4th floor.

For more information, contact Sonia Sharma at ssha4746@bhcc.edu or 617-228-2462.

**Intensive English Program**

The mission of the Intensive English Program is to support English Language Learners in their educational, professional, and personal goals by providing rigorous multi-level English Language instruction, and by accommodating the needs of both traditional and non-traditional students through affordable access to language instruction.

In the Intensive English program, classes run for five hours, four days a week, for seven weeks. You will receive 20 hours of classroom instruction per week. At the end of seven weeks, you will receive 140 hours of classroom instruction.

If a student wishes to take intensive English, the first step is to take the online placement test. Contact IntensiveEnglish@bhcc.edu about completing the placement test. There are three parts to the placement test. You should plan for 90 minutes for the entire testing and advising process (these do not need to be completed all at the same time).

The cost of books for the Intensive English program is not included in the tuition. Books must be purchased from the college bookstore located at the main campus on the 4th floor.

For more information, visit [bhcc.edu/ce/intensiveenglish](https://bhcc.edu/ce/intensiveenglish).