

English as a Second Language (ESL) Program



**LA ROCHE
UNIVERSITY**

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS

THE ESL PROGRAM AT LA ROCHE

- Provides the skills and training for you to achieve academic success
- Prepares you for everyday communication
- Supports your adjustment to living and learning in the United States

WHY LA ROCHE?

- No TOEFL or IELTS requirement for admission.
- La Roche University ESL uses the online Duolingo English Test to ensure appropriate student placement.
- Project-based learning to enhance your language skills in the critical areas of reading, writing, speaking, listening and grammar.
- A diverse community where 20 percent of the student population is international.
- Small class sizes for faculty to provide you with personalized attention and support.
- High quality instruction and intensive training from industry experts.
- An affordable cost well below the national average.
- A Certificate of Program Completion after successful completion of the ESL program.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

- **FALL SEMESTER:**
Late August to early December
- **SPRING SEMESTER:**
Early January to late April
- **SUMMER SEMESTER:**
Mid-May to late July





LOCATION

Our campus is located just 15 minutes north of downtown Pittsburgh, a city that features countless opportunities for career growth, recreation and culture:

- Dynamic art and entertainment scenes
- Corporate headquarters for multinational corporations
- New York City, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. within driving distance
- Clean and beautiful waterfronts for boating, fishing, kayaking and canoeing



SPECIAL SERVICES

- Ongoing immigration advisement and support
- Airport transfers and an orientation program
- A tutorial assistance program
- A Conversation Partnership Program for you to practice English speaking skills in a casual setting





APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- ESL Program application
- Proof of financial resources
- Certified copy of high school records or diploma



ABOUT LA ROCHE

La Roche University provides an innovative, skills-driven education that students need to succeed in today's global economy. With a commitment to international exchange and academic excellence, La Roche has been ranked:

- A top 25 baccalaureate college hosting international students by the Institute of International Education, 2013
- A recipient of the Senator Paul Simon Spotlight Award for Innovation in International Higher Education, 2010
- A Best Regional College by U.S. News & World Report, 2020
- A Best Northeastern College by The Princeton Review, 2005-2020
- A College of Distinction, 2012-2020



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Engaging Minds. Embracing the World.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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English as a Second Language (ESL) Program
APPLICATION

1. Family Name (SURNAME) _____

2. First Name (GIVEN NAME) _____

3. Birth Date _____ - _____ - _____
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4. Gender: Male Female

5. Social Security Number (IF APPLICABLE)

_____ - _____ - _____

6. Home Telephone Number

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____
COUNTRY CODE AREA CODE

7. Email address _____

8. Home/Permanent address

_____ - _____
NUMBER STREET

_____ - _____
CITY STATE

_____ - _____
POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

9. Current Address (IF DIFFERENT THAN HOME/PERMANENT ADDRESS)

_____ - _____
NUMBER STREET

_____ - _____
CITY STATE

_____ - _____
POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

10. Citizenship _____

11. Country of Birth _____

12. Year 20 _____

13. Fall (August) Spring (January) Summer (May - July)

14. Reason for ESL training:

Academic purposes (college-level work)

Conversational English and basic literacy

Other (please specify) _____

15. I am planning to reside:

On campus Off campus

La Roche University does not provide housing for families. Students accompanied by dependents must make their own arrangements for off-campus housing.

16. If you are in the United States, please indicate your current visa status: F-1 F-2 J-1 J-2 Other

17. Please submit a copy of your current I-20 form (F visa students) or DS-2019 (J visa students) to assist in processing your application for transfer to La Roche University.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1. Completed application form
2. Copy of passport
3. Certified copy of high school transcripts showing attainment of secondary-school degree
4. International student agreement
5. Affidavit of support
6. Certified bank statement

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