

**Central Des Moines Region
English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes**

1. DMACC

Urban Campus: 1100 7th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314

Contacts: Sheryl Sexauer 515-697-7764, ssexauer@dmacc.edu; Vera Aginsky 515-248-7521, vaginsky@dmacc.edu

Southridge Center: 1111 E. Army Post Road, Des Moines, IA 50315

Contact: Alexis Cade 515-287-8714, ancade@dmacc.edu

[Non-Credit ESL Schedule](#)

Fall Semester: August – December

Spring Semester: January – May

***Enrollment/registration every semester is required

12.5 hours a week, 2.5 hours a day, or 4 hours a week in the evenings

Classes are free but \$50.00 required for books

Capitol Center: 1300 Des Moines Street, Des Moines, IA 20139

Contact: Alexis Cade 515-287-8714, ancade@dmacc.edu

2. First Christian Church

2500 University Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50311

Phone: 515-255-2181

**Partner with DMACC

Mondays – Thursdays: 9:30 to 11:30am

*Time varies with every DMACC semester

Serves 150 students each semester

Childcare for ages 2 – 4 is available

3. Lutheran Services in Iowa

3125 Cottage Grove Ave, Des Moines, IA 50311

Phone: 515-271-7335

Spring 2015 Semester: January 20 – May 29

Summer 2015 Semester: June 15- August 14

*Must register by the first day of class, Childcare is available.

4. United States Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI)

601 Forest Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50314

Mondays and Wednesdays 10am – 12pm

****Only for clients resettled by the agency***

5. St. Vincent De Paul

1426 6th Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50314

515-282-8238 ext. 17

Contact person: Andrew Gross, 515-282-8327, ex. 17

Employment subcommittee Partners: Bureau of Refugee Services, Lutheran Services in Iowa, Central Iowa Works, Iowa Workforce Development, Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Program, Association of Business and Industries, Manpower, United Way, DMACC, Greater Des Moines Partnership, Office of Asian and Pacific Islander affairs and Evelyn K Davis Center **Last Updated: May 27th, 2015**

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ESL Levels offered: Basic and Intermediate

Fridays 10:30 – 11:30am

Child care available, class size: 14

GED/HiSet Preparation

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 5:00- 7:30pm

Other classes offered: Basic Computing in English, Basic Computing in Spanish, Math Tutoring, Financial Education

6. Evelyn K Davis Center

801 University Avenue, Unit 3, Des Moines, IA 50314

Phone: 515-697-7700

Basic Literacy Classes, Adult Basic Education

7. Friendship Center

1526 Martin Luther King Jr Pkwy, Des Moines, IA 50314

Phone: 515-244-1701

Primary Contact: Jon Jamison, jmjamison@bciowa.org

Basic English

Mondays 5pm

Childcare available

8. Trinity United Methodist Church

1548 8th st, Des Moines, IA

Contact Wendy Vasquez: 515.771.8656

www.trinityumcdm.org

ESL classes offered twice weekly

FEE: \$15-\$16 for book, class is FREE

Childcare available for free

9. Oakridge Neighborhood

1401 Center St, Des Moines, IA 50309

Primary Contact: Troy Green, 515-244-7702

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:00 pm– 8:00 pm: English as a Second Language (ESL)

Low conversation class and high conversation classes are available. Classes are split based on level of English. Childcare available

Monday & Wednesday 10:00am – 12:00pm Beginning/Literacy English (Rolling Enrollment)

Tuesday & Thursday 1:00 – 3:00pm Intermediate English (Rolling Enrollment)

Tuesday & Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30pm Citizenship Test Preparation (Registration Required)

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 5:00 – 7:00pm GED/HiSET Preparation (DMACC partnership, Registration Required)

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10. Forest Avenue Library

1326 Forest Avenue
Des Moines, IA
515-283-4152

Every Tuesday from 12:30pm-1:30pm

11. LSI Refugee English and Acculturation Program sites

Site Name	Site Contacts	Class schedule
Zion Lutheran Church	4300 Beaver avenue, Des Moines, IA, 515-270-8412 www.ziondsm.org	Tuesday and Thursday 6:30-8:30pm
Oakridge neighborhood	1401 Center St, Des Moines, 515-244-7702 www.oakridgeneighborhood.org	Tuesday and Thursday 6-8pm
Living Water Evangelical	6000 Douglas Avenue, Ste 140, Des Moines, 515-865-4991. www.livingwaterdsm.org	Monday and Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm
Walnut Creek Church South	1101 East Army Post Road, Des Moines, IA 50315, 515-257-6884 https://walnutcreekchurch.org/south	Tuesday and Thursday 5-7pm
Lutheran Services in Iowa	3200 University Avenue, Des Moines, 50311 www.lsiowa.org	Tuesday and Thursday 5-7pm
River Hills Apartments	700 East 5th Street, Des Moines, IA 50309 (515) 288-6075	Tuesday and Thursday 9-11am
Willkie House	900 17th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314 (515) 243-7817	Monday and Wednesday 9-11am
Vineyard Church	900 17th Street, Des Moines, IA 50314 (515) 243-7817 www.yourvineyardchurch.org	Monday and Wednesday 6-8pm
Prince of Peace Lutheran church	600 East Euclid Avenue, Des Moines IA 50317 (515) 265-2865 www.princedm.atSPACE.co.uk	Monday and Friday 5-7pm
Greek Orthodox of Saint George	1110 35th Street, Des Moines, IA 50311 (515) 277-0780 http://stgeorge.ia.goarch.org/	Wednesday 6:30 – 8:30pm and Sunday 1-3pm

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12. Catholic Charities

601 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA

Phone: 515-237-5025

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13. First Federated Church

4801 Franklin Ave, Des Moines IA

Wednesdays: 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

All levels are welcome and child care available

Contact: Karen Kennedy at 778-9697 or at kbkennedy2@hotmail.com

14. Des Moines Public School Family Literacy Program

Site 1: Hiatt Middle School: 1214 E 15th St, Des Moines, IA 50316

Site 2: Meridith Middle School: 4827 Madison Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50310

Site 3: Weeks Middle School: 901 SE Park Avenue, Des Moines 50315

Every Saturday from 9:00 am to 11:30 am.

- Adult Basic English Literacy Classes: Reading and Writing Classes (level 1 and 2)
- Reading: 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Writing: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- One on One Conversational Partner
- Computer, Science, Math enrichment and social skills for Secondary ELL.
- Reading and activities for Elementary ELL.
- Fun activities for children from 2 to 5 years old.
- Transportation is provided to certain locations in the Des Moines area.

Contact: (515) 242-7691

15. DMACC Capitol Center – NEW

1300 Des Moines Street

Des Moines, IA 50309

Check website for class information

L1 to L3: Monday through Thursday, 8:15 am to 10:15 am

BB1, BB2: M – Th, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Contact: Alexis Cade, 515-287-8714, ancade@dmacc.edu

16. Iowa Workforce Development - NEW

430 E Grand Avenue

Des Moines, IA 50309

M-Th

Check website for current class information.

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17. Iowa International Center

ESL site 1: Deer Ridge Apartment Complex, 6007 Creston Avenue – NEW

June 1 to July 31

Beginning Level

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 9:00 to 10:30am

Level One (I know a little bit of English)

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 10:45am to 12:15pm

ESL site 2: Zion Lutheran Church, 4300 Beaver Avenue

Wednesdays 5:00 – 6:00pm and 6:30 – 7:30 Level 1

Transportation and child care provided

Sundays 3:30 to 5:00: year round.

Sundays: 10:30 – 11:30 am, year round

ESL site 3: Parkside East Apartments, 3560 East Douglas – On the Bus Line - NEW

June 1 to July 31

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 9:00 to 10:30 am

***For all Iowa International Center sites:**

Childcare is available upon request.

PLEASE REGISTER! SEND NAME, PHONE, LOCATION CHOICE, AND ANY CHILDCARE REQUEST TO:

Teri Degeest: terid@conlinproperties.com; 515-745-4533, or Judy Conlin at

jconlin@iowainternationalcenter.org

****ESL class schedules are subject to change each semester, for current class schedules please contact each organization individually.
If you are aware about classes available in our community but not listed here please share it with us at capi@iowacapi.org.*