

2022 KUMAMOTO HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH & SDGS PROGRAM

STUDENT INFORMATION



WELCOME!

We are excited to have you join us for the 2022 Kumamoto High School English & SDGs program. This virtual five-day experience will help you develop your academic English language skills through exploration of cultures, communication styles, and presentation skills. You will also be able to improving your conversational English skills through interaction with American conversation partners.

OVERVIEW

You will be participating in online instruction for three hours a day from 9am to 12pm (6pm-9pm in Montana) using the University of Montana's online learning platform, Moodle. Real time classes will be held using Zoom and materials will be shared with you on Moodle. You will learn from experienced teachers from the University of Montana's English Language Institute. **The total cost of the course is \$383.50 per student.**

ABOUT ELI

The English Language Institute (ELI), founded in 1993, serves non-native speakers of English who wish to improve their English language and academic skills in order to pursue personal, professional, and academic goals at the University of Montana (UM) or another institution of higher learning. ELI provides academic year and summer instruction, as well as short-term English language training programs and has served students from more than 44 different countries.



ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

The University of Montana is a public research university located in Missoula, Montana. Founded in 1893, the university is the flagship campus of the University of Montana system. It is a major source of research, continuing education, economic development and fine arts, as well as a strengthening Montana's ties with countries throughout the world. The University of Montana is a globally focused public research university that serves the state, nation, and world through the underlying values of leadership, engagement, diversity, and sustainability.



WHAT TO EXPECT



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

You will improve your academic English skills while exploring issues related to the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). You will receive lectures and complete readings and listenings related to various SDGs. You will also complete your own research and deliver a short presentation on a specific SDG at the end of the program.

PRESENTATION SKILLS

You will improve your speaking and listening skills while learning how to create engaging presentations for a variety of audiences, as well as how to feel more confident as a public speaker. Your final project for class will be a short research presentation about the topics we have discussed in class.



CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT

You will get to practice your English language skills, especially conversation skills, in small group discussions with American conversation partners. You'll connect with your conversation partners through email and video chat in order to practice speaking and listening in a more natural context.



LEARNING PLATFORMS

All of these activities will take place virtually through the University of Montana's online learning system, Moodle, and through Zoom for face-to-face class sessions and discussions.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 16
9:00 - 10:00

- Zoom orientation to program

Monday, August 1
9:00 - 12:00

- Welcome & Introductions
- Introduction to SDGs
- Group discussions with conversation partners

Tuesday, August 2
9:00 - 12:00

- Lecture on SDG #11
- Session on Presentation Skills
- Group discussions with conversation partners

Wednesday, August 3
9:00 - 12:00

- Virtual Tour of Missoula and SDG #11
- Small-group unplanned speeches on SDG #11 and Kumamoto
- Group discussions with conversation partners

Thursday, August 4
9:00 - 12:00

- Lecture on SDG #15
- Virtual Tour of Montana & SDG #15
- Group discussions with conversation partners

Friday, August 5
9:00 - 12:00

- Pronunciation Warm-up
- Final Presentations
- Group discussions with conversation partners and Farewell Messages