Get a head start on your degree and earn credit while finishing your language studies!

The University of Saskatchewan Language Centre’s Bridging Classes (UB1 & UB2) offer an opportunity for students to take a three-credit unit course while continuing to improve language proficiency. The Bridging Classes earn credit toward degrees in Arts and Science, Edwards School of Business, Agriculture and Bioresources, and Engineering*. All undergraduate degrees require electives from many areas of study. Bridging classes count toward these electives.

The credit class accompanying UB1 is ANTH 111.3 One World Many Peoples Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, which looks at the development of culture and language around the world. The course will discuss what culture is, how it can change over time, and the things that cause culture to change. International students find this class particularly interesting as it helps explain their own language development and acclimatization to Canada. This class will be a mix of ESL students and native English speakers.

The credit class accompanying UB2 is SOC 112.3 Foundations in Sociology: Society, Structure and Process, which looks at the organization of society. Students will begin to understand inequality, power structures, and globalization. This class helps to explain why people act as they do. ESL students will be in a class with native English speakers.

Bridging students will also attend an ESL class (UB1 or UB2) to help develop the language and academic skills needed in the credit class and for future university studies. The Bridging instructor will attend the credit class with students to fully support their experience. This structure has been found to help new students be successful at university while speeding up language learning through increased motivation.

DATE: January 2nd – April 6th (academic exam times will be posted when the class starts):

- UB1: M/T/W/Th: 8:30am -12:00 & ANTH111 T/Th: 1:00pm-2:20
- UB2: M/W/F: 9:50am-12:10pm; Tu/Th: 8:30am-12:00 & SOC112 M/W/F: 8:30am-9:20pm

Tuition includes the UB ESL class, credit class and all student fees. Textbooks are required for both UB and credit classes and are not included in the stated cost.

CREDIT:

- UB1 = 3 credit units for ANTH111
- UB2 = 6 credit units (3cu for SOC112 + 3cu for UB2)

Successful UB1 students may continue in the Bridging program in Spring term with UB2 and SOC112 for a total of up to 9 cu towards their undergraduate degree.

Unsuccessful students must meet other language proficiency requirements to continue UofS studies.

TO QUALIFY: Students must be entering an undergraduate program in Arts & Science, Edwards School of Business, Agriculture and Bioresources, or Engineering*.

- UB1 one of: IELTS 5.5 (all areas 5.5 or higher); or, TOEFL 74 (all areas 16 or higher); or, completion of the Language Centre’s Level 40
- UB2 one of: IELTS 6.0 (only one area at 5.5); or, TOEFL 78 (all areas 18 or higher); or, completion of the Language Centre’s UP1

INTERESTED? More information and applications are on our website at

https://admissions.usask.ca/english-for-academic-purposes.php#UBridgechannel

If you have questions please contact Lisa Krol, Bridging Coordinator, at lisa.krol@usask.ca

*Note: Engineering students can take either UB1 or UB2 to earn 3cu toward ENG degrees.