Facilitating English Improvement through Strategic Course Design and Peer Support

What is MELP?

The Minnesota English Language Program (MELP) provides courses in English as a Second Language (ESL) at the University of Minnesota. ESL course work helps non-native English speakers develop cultural understanding and the communication, critical thinking, and academic skills needed to be successful in a university classroom or in the workplace. It also helps to internationalize the University of Minnesota by serving as a resource to University programs and faculty who work with multilingual students and fostering greater understanding of linguistic and cultural diversity.

How do these courses support students in their majors?

MELP offers discipline specific courses to support non-native English speakers in coursework related to their majors. These courses are designed to specifically support students’ interactions with peers and faculty in their other coursework. The course development process is an exciting opportunity to form a strategic campus partnership that will benefit students. Contact esl@umn.edu for more information.