



**ELS Language Centers**  
**Queens University of Charlotte**  
**2324 Wellesley Avenue**  
**Barnhardt Hall**  
**Charlotte, North Carolina 28207-2488**

**Center Hours**  
 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (Monday – Friday)  
 Closed on weekends and holidays

- Key Location Features**
- Private University campus location
  - Complete Prep Program for TOEFL® iBT location
  - On campus dormitory housing and convenient family apartment housing options nearby
  - Free access to many campus recreational facilities
  - Credit for ELS completion available at QUC for qualified students
  - TOEFL® iBT and IELTS™ testing center

- Area Attractions**
- Charlotte downtown cultural attractions (concerts, museums, professional sports, shopping)
  - North Carolina beaches, mountains and forests (hiking, swimming, skiing)
  - Carowinds® Amusement and Water Park
  - U.S. National White Water Center

**Climate**  
 North Carolina has warm summers (June, July and August). Winters are mild compared to the North but can have some cool weather and occasional snow.

Average Temperatures (Celsius)		
	Minimum	Maximum
Winter	6	14
Spring	14	23
Summer	24	31
Autumn	16	24

**Host University Information**  
 Visit [www.queens.edu](http://www.queens.edu) to learn more about Queens University of Charlotte. Also visit the ELS College directory at [www.collegedirectory.els.edu](http://www.collegedirectory.els.edu) to learn about other local colleges & universities that accept ELS completion in place of the TOEFL®.

**Surrounding Area Information**  
 Average travel time (in minutes) from ELS Center:

<u>Housing Options</u>	<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Method</u>
On Campus Dorm:	5	By foot
Homestays:	30	By bus/car
Apartments:	20	By bus

**Local Places**

Airport:	25	By car
Bank:	15 to 20	By foot
Downtown:	15	By bus
Post Office:	5	By foot
Restaurant(s):	15	By bus
Shopping Mall:	10	By bus
Sports Center:	3	By foot
Supermarket:	15 to 20	By foot
Bus Stop/Subway:	5	By foot

**Nearby Cities**

Raleigh	180	By car
Greensboro	120	By car
Charleston, SC	180	By car

**Local Transportation**  
 Public transportation is limited but students can get to key places. There are two main bus lines that stop near the campus. ELS students use the bus to go to malls and downtown Charlotte. Approximate bus cost is \$1.20 and \$1.75 (for express buses). The nearest bus stop is only 5 minutes from the Center.

**Driving in North Carolina**  
 Students can obtain a NC Driver License only for the duration of their valid visa status or I-20 program duration. Students must have proof of their residence in NC. The Center can provide proof of residence for students in dormitory or ELS homestays and assist students in obtaining the NC Driver License. Students can also drive with an International Driving Permit and driver license from their home country accompanied by a passport present in the vehicle.

**Smoking Policy**  
 Smoking is not permitted in the ELS Center or in the hallways, lounge, or bathrooms of the campus residence hall. No smoking is permitted within 25 feet of any campus building or on sidewalks/walkways entering campus buildings.

**Housing Check-in and Departure**  
 Students with confirmed ELS housing reservations should go directly to their assigned housing upon arrival (not to the ELS Center) on the Sunday before their course begins. Checkout is the Saturday after the program ends. Arrivals and departures on other dates/times other than those listed on the next page require special approval.

## HOUSING & ARRIVAL DETAILS - CHARLOTTE

### Student Residence / Dorm

Queens University of Charlotte  
Albright Hall (on the 2300 block of Radcliff Avenue)  
or,  
Barnhardt Hall (at 2324 Wellesley Avenue)  
Charlotte, NC

Coed dorms/hallways with males & females in separate rooms. American & ELS students are in same dorms.

#### Rooms (standard option): Doubles (2 person)

Shared typical on campus dorm room. Shared hallway bathrooms. Rooms include 2 beds, desks, chairs and combo microwave/refrigerator. Linens/towels are also included. Students clean their own rooms during their stay. Albright Hall offers cooking facilities and internet access in rooms. Barnhardt does not.

#### Rooms (other): Single (1 person)

A limited number of single rooms may be available upon special request at an additional rate.

Meals Included: **19 per week** (breakfast, lunch, dinner daily)

#### Age Minimum: **16+ years old**

Laundry Facilities: Self-service machines are available in the dorm building.

Security/Resident Assistant: A Queens University ID card is used to enter the front door. There is one resident assistant for each floor (approx. 25 students).

Check-In: **12 noon to 10:00 pm (Sunday) check-in**  
During standard check-in hours, students with confirmed reservations must check in at Barnhardt Hall (at 2324 Wellesley Avenue). Directions for newly arriving students will be taped to the front glass door of the residence hall. Students will use the phone in front of the door to phone the Resident Advisor or Campus Police for check in assistance. Students arriving later than noted check-hours should plan to stay in a hotel unless other arrangements were confirmed.

Damage/Key Deposit: \$100 damage deposit is due at Registration in the ELS Center.

Checkout Time: 11:00 am (Saturday)

### Homestays

Rooms: **Single (1 person)**

Meals Included: **14 per week** (daily continental breakfast & dinner)

Age Minimum: **16+ years old**

Flight Information: Homestay students should notify their Host Families or ELS of their arrival times so that families will know to be home when they arrive.

Transportation to ELS: Many host families drive ELS students to campus in the morning and pick them up in the evening. Other students take a bus to campus. No homes are within walking distance.

Check-In: **12 noon to 9:00 pm (Sunday) check-in**

Students go directly to homestay address.

Checkout Time: 11:00 am (Saturday)

### Apartment Options in the Area

Apartment accommodations for couples and families are often available near the ELS Charlotte center. Contact ELS Charlotte at [cha@els.edu](mailto:cha@els.edu) for more details and availability.

### Airport Arrival Information

ELS Language Centers recommends that students choose the ELS Airport Pickup Service for arrivals (booked through ELS Central Admissions), however other transportation options are also available.

Area Airport: Charlotte Douglas International (CLT)

#### ELS Airport Pickup Service Provider Information:

Executive Car Service

Tel: 1(800) 766-5054 toll free / 1(704) 525-2191

Fax: 1(704) 525-8847

The driver will hold a sign with the student's name on it. Airport Pickup Meeting Locations are as follows (by arrival type):

International: Information Desk in Baggage Claim Area

Domestic: Baggage Claim Area

#### Other Transportation Options From the Airport:

Taxis from the airport to the campus or homestays will cost approximately \$30 - \$45 plus tip, with a travel time of 20 to 30 minutes.

### **Toll-free Emergency Phone Numbers**

1(866) 351-8916 for Arrival Weekend emergencies.

For other emergencies requiring immediate attention outside of business hours, call the ELS Help Line 1(800) 435-7357 (1-800-HELP-ELS).

### **Recommended Hotels**

If hotel accommodations are needed before the housing check-in date, we recommend the following hotels. Advance reservations are recommended. Queens University & ELS must be mentioned to receive the following rates. The following special prices (15.5% tax not included) are subject to change and availability.

Courtyard by Marriott-South Park      \$99 - \$149 per night  
6023 Park South Drive                      Tel: 1(704) 552-7333

Holiday Inn -- Woodlawn                      \$109 - \$139 per night  
321 West Woodlawn Road                      Tel: 1(704) 523-1400

Best Western Sterling Hotel &                \$79 - \$129 per night  
Suites    Tel: 1(704) 525-5454  
242 East Woodlawn Road

### **Center Arrival Information**

New Students should report to the ELS Charlotte Center **between 8:00 am and 8:20 am** on the first Monday of their program for registration, the ELS placement test and orientation. New students need to bring the following items:

- ☐ Passport (plus I-94 card & I-20 form - if applicable)
- ☐ Funds to pay tuition and housing and other relevant fees (or receipt showing pre-payment)
- ☐ Proof of medical insurance (or funds to purchase ELS insurance)
- ☐ Materials contained in the acceptance package