

Melbourne

Center Profile



ELS Language Centers
Florida Institute of Technology (FIT)
150 West University Boulevard
Grissom Hall
Melbourne, Florida 32901-6988

Center Hours

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

Key Location Features

- Private Technical University campus location
- Convenient to Atlantic Ocean Beaches & Florida Tourist Attractions
- On campus dormitory housing
- FIT accepts ELS Intensive level 109+ in place of the TOEFL® for undergraduate & graduate International student admissions
- Concurrent Enrollment available at FIT for qualified students
- TOEFL® iBT testing center

Area Attractions

- Local Beaches and Eco-Tourism
- Disney World, Universal Studios, Sea World, Busch Gardens, and other fun parks
- NASA's Kennedy Space Center
- Palm Beach, Tampa Bay and Miami close enough for possible weekend trips
- Brevard County Zoo, Planetarium, Arts & Sciences Museum, plus other close attractions

Climate

Florida has hot summers (June, July and August) and mild winters. Students should bring appropriate clothing and prepare for occasional rain.

Average Temperatures (Celsius)

	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Winter	11	21
Spring	17	27
Summer	23	32
Autumn	19	28

Host University Information

Visit www.fit.edu to learn more about Florida Institute of Technology and their degree programs. Visit the ELS College Directory 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:	1	By foot
Homestays:	10	By car

Local Places

Airport:	60	By shuttle/taxi/car
Bank:	15	By foot
Downtown:	5	By car
Post Office:	1	By foot
Restaurant(s):	5	By car
Shopping Mall:	7	By car
Sports Center:	1	By foot
Supermarket:	10	By foot

Nearby Cities

Orlando, FL	60	By car
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Local Transportation

Public transportation is very poor in most of Florida. To visit Orlando, students need a car or must participate in ELS-organized excursions. Many students rent cars and divide the expense.

Smoking Policy

Smoking is not permitted in the ELS Center, or in the hallways, lounge or bathrooms of the campus residence hall. Students in violation of smoking policies are subject to expulsion from the ELS Center and residence hall.

Housing Check-in and Departure

Students with confirmed ELS student residence/dorm reservations should go directly to the Security office at FIT upon arrival. Students with homestay reservations will be taken to the host family address. Check-in is the Sunday before their course begins. Checkout is the Saturday after the program ends. Arrivals and departures on dates/times other than those listed require special approval.

Please see "Check-in" instructions in the following sections for exact arrival details and times.

HOUSING & ARRIVAL DETAILS - MELBOURNE

Student Residence / Dorm

Florida Institute of Technology
Grissom Hall
Melbourne, Florida

Rooms (standard option): Doubles (2 person)

Shared typical on-campus dorm room. Shared hallway bathrooms. Rooms include a desk, a bed, a mini fridge, a small microwave, an end table and a chair. Linens are also included.

Meals Included: 19 per week (to be determined by student – typical breakdown is breakfast, lunch, dinner M-F, brunch and dinner weekends)

Age Minimum: 18+ years old

Laundry Facilities: Self-service machines are available in a nearby dorm for a small fee.

Security/Resident Assistant: The Security office is located behind Shall Hall dormitory. There is one resident assistant for each floor or wing (1 per approx. 10 students).

Check-In: 24 hours (Sunday) check-in

Upon arrival for check in all students (including males) should report to the Security office at Shaw Hall. Students then receive assistance with check-in to the relevant assigned residence hall.

Key Deposit: \$100 key deposit

Checkout Time: 9:30 am (Saturday)

Homestays

Rooms: Single (1 person)

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

Age Minimum: 14+ 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: Host families drive ELS students to the campus in the morning and pick them up after class Monday thru Friday.

Check-In: 10:00 am to 11:00 pm (Sunday) check-in
Students go directly to homestay address.

Checkout Time: 12 noon (Saturday)

Toll-free Emergency Phone Numbers

1(866) 626-5530 for Sunday arrival emergencies, the ELS Help Line 1(800) 435-7357 at other times or the Center Emergency Cell 1(321) 759-5871.

Airport Arrival Information

ELS Language Centers recommends that students choose the ELS Airport Pickup Service for arrivals to Orlando International (to be indicated on the application), other transportation options are up to the student to arrange.

Area Airport: Orlando International Airport – Center can arrange for transport (must be indicated on the application and flight information must be provided).

Melbourne Int'l Airport – Student must call a taxi for transport.

ELS Airport Pickup Service Provider Information:
Orlando Int'l airport is the primary airport used.

Orlando Transportation & Tours
Tel: 1(866) 351-9991

The driver will hold a sign that reads "ELS Language Centers".
Airport Pickup Meeting Locations are:

International and Domestic: Baggage Claim Area

Other Transportation Options From the Airport:

Taxis from Orlando International airport are not recommended because are very expensive (over \$150 on average). ELS strongly recommends use of the ELS airport pickup service for arrivals into Orlando International airport.

Taxis from Melbourne International Airport to the FIT campus (to "Dorm Circle off of Country Club Road at Florida Institute of Technology") will cost approximately \$7 plus tip, with a travel time of 10 minutes. Therefore we do not offer airport pickup service from Melbourne Regional airport.

Recommended Hotels

If hotel accommodations are needed before the housing check-in date, we recommend the following hotels. Advance reservations are recommended. Prices (10% tax included) are subject to change.

Suburban Lodge 1125 Airport Boulevard www.scacorp.com	\$59.99 per night Tel: 1(321) 768-9777 Tel: 1(800) 951-7829 toll free
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Mariott Courtyard 2101 W. New Haven	\$119 per night Tel: 1(321) 724-6400 Tel: 1(800) 627-4688 toll free
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Jameson Inn 890 Palm Bay Road (in Palm Bay)	\$85 per night Tel: 1(321) 725-2952 Tel: 1(800) 526-3766 toll free
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Hotel in ORLANDO:
Hyatt Regency (located at the airport)
Tel: 1 (407) 825-1234
<http://www.orlandoairport.hyatt.com/property/index.jhtml>

Center Arrival Information

New Students should report to ELS Melbourne **between 8:30 am and 8:50 am on the first Monday** of their program for registration, the ELS placement test and orientation. New students need to bring all of the following:

- ☐ 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)
- ☐ Materials contained in the acceptance package