

## American Explorer Program

The American Explorer Program (AEP) is suitable for students who want to enjoy a short “study vacation” in the United States, or who are visiting the country for the very first time, and want to sightsee as much as possible. Students attending this program may also participate in the evening and weekend social activities that are available to all ELS students.

The ELS American Explorer Program is offered at any one of our General Programs locations in the USA that offer the Semi-Intensive and Intensive programs. Visit [Center Profiles](#) to learn more about these locations.

American Explorer Program participants will usually have a tourist visa. This is a part-time study vacation option (only 15 lessons per week).

### ► **Course Features (American Explorer)**

This program features three morning lessons per day (Monday through Friday) for a total of 15 lessons per week. Afternoons are free for recreation and relaxation.

#### ***Sample Class Schedule***

<b>Class Period</b>	<b>Class Description</b>
Hour 1 - 8:30 am – 9:20 am	Structure & Speaking Practice
Hour 2 - 9:30 – 10:20	Structure & Speaking Practice
Hour 3 - 10:30 – 11:20	Language Technology Center or Reading & Writing

The American Explorer part-time program is recreational and cultural in nature, and does not award certificates of language proficiency. Since the core class schedule for Periods 1 through 3 may vary by location and session, 15-hour students will have different programs (during those first 3 period hours) than other 15-hour students attending other ELS locations or sessions. American Explorer consists of 12 levels of instruction from Beginning to Masters proficiency, with four weeks of instruction per level.

For more detailed information on the courses listed above, please refer to the [General Programs](#) section. You'll see that the American Explorer Program costs only slightly less than the Semi-Intensive English Program (20 lessons per week). Students who wish to emphasize English study during their experience should consider either the Semi-Intensive or Intensive English Programs.