

# English as a Second Language Resources

*in order of proximity to the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library*

## **Massachusetts Adult Literacy Hotline (Check here first!)**

<http://massliteracyhotline.org/hotline/>

800-447-8844

The Massachusetts Adult Literacy Hotline provides information and referrals for adult learners and volunteers to 300+ adult education programs that offer one-on-one tutoring, small-group, or classroom instruction to adult learners. The Hotline also provides information about basic reading, math, adult basic education, English language training, family literacy, GED preparation, or testing sites.

## **MassLINKS**

<https://mwcc.edu/mass-links/>

MassLINKS Online Academy is a free DESE-funded Massachusetts statewide adult education program. Students can choose from High School Equivalency (GED and HiSet) preparation classes or English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL/ESL) classes. Classes are offered fully online with evening and morning options to help you work around your schedule. Student Support Staff can help students access and use technology to become successful online students.

## **English at Large (3.6 mi)**

<http://www.englishatlarge.org/>

800 West Cummings Park, Suite 5550

Woburn, MA 01801

Phone: 781.395.2374

Email: [info@englishatlarge.org](mailto:info@englishatlarge.org)

Each year, their trained volunteers provide FREE one-to-one English language tutoring and small group instruction to hundreds of adult learners in 21 Boston-area cities and towns, helping them improve their English language skills, adapt to American life, and participate in their communities. Offers tutors, conversation groups, classes, career readiness, and book clubs  
Requirements include:

- Plan to live in US for more than five years
- 18 years or older
- Live or work in one of 21 communities (Wakefield is included)
- Not be currently enrolled in high school or college classes
- Not have a degree from a US college or university

### **Malden Public Library (5.9 mi)**

<http://maldenpubliclibrary.org/services/esl/>

36 Salem St.

Malden, MA 02148

Phone: (781) 324-0218

Email: [info@maldenpubliclibrary.org](mailto:info@maldenpubliclibrary.org)

Every Wednesday, we host a free English Conversation class from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. This is an excellent opportunity for beginning English speakers to practice their skills in a friendly and supportive environment.

### **Immigrant Learning Center (6 mi)**

<http://www.ilctr.org/programs/apply/>

442 Main Street

Malden, Massachusetts 02148

Phone: (781) 322-9777

The Immigrant Learning Center offers free English classes to immigrants and refugees age 16 and older. All classes are taught in English with instruction in speaking, reading, writing, listening, grammar and computer skills. Morning classes meet Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Afternoon classes meet Monday through Thursday from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00p.m. We also offer:

- Literacy classes (emphasis on reading and writing)
- Senior conversation class (age 60 and older)
- U.S. citizenship preparation class
- Entrepreneurship class (for those wanting to start a business)
- Counseling for next steps: skills training, jobs, college and career readiness

### **YMCA International Learning Center / Woburn (6.8 mi)**

<https://ymcaboston.org/community-and-food-access/adult-education-job-training/english-classes>

YMCA International Learning Center

523 Main Street

Woburn, MA 01801

Phone: 781-935-6499

Contact: Miriam Aguirre

Email: [international-woburn@ymcaboston.org](mailto:international-woburn@ymcaboston.org)

### **Bosnian Community Center for Refugee Development (7.6 mi)**

<http://bccrd.org/esol/>

20 Wheeler St. 4th Floor

Lynn MA 01902

4th floor office: (781) 593.0100 ext 20

All classes are FREE and require a pre-class assessment.

Requirements for English Classes:

- Over 18 years old
- Can prove legal status in United States
- Must be able to attend ALL classes, and come on time

### **Russian Community Association of Massachusetts - Lynn, MA (7.6 mi)**

<https://www.rcamlynn.org/citizenship>

20 Wheeler St. Suite 401

Lynn, MA 01902

rcamlynn@gmail.com

Tel: 781-593-0100

Fax: 781-599-3329

The English for Employment classes at RCAM address the immediate language and cultural adjustment needs of refugees recently settled in Lynn and the North Shore.

### **North Shore Community College (7.6 mi)**

<https://www.northshore.edu/academics/esl>

1 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923

Lynn: (781) 593-6722

Danvers: (978) 762-4000

Middleton: (978) 762-4000

### **Peabody ESL - Peabody Institute Library (8 mi)**

82 Main Street

Peabody, MA 01960-5592

Contact: [guyote@noblenet.org](mailto:guyote@noblenet.org)

(978)531-0100 (25)

Services Offered: Citizenship - Conversation Groups - ESOL

### **English as a Second Language - Somerville Public Library (8.1 mi)**

79 Highland Avenue

Somerville, MA 02143-1797

Contact: [bpigott@minlib.net](mailto:bpigott@minlib.net)

(617)625-6600 (2909)

Services Offered: Conversation Groups - ESOL

### **North Shore Community Action Program (8.7 mi)**

<https://www.nscap.org/our-programs/adult-education/>

North Shore Community Action Programs, Inc.  
119 R Foster St. Building #13, 2nd Floor  
Peabody, MA 01960  
978-531-0767 x205

**The Literacy Project - Central Square Branch - Cambridge Public Library (9.6 mi)**

45 Pearl St.  
Cambridge, MA 02139  
Contact: mbalestrieri@cambridgema.gov  
(617)349-4013  
Services Offered: ABE - ESOL - HiSET

**Revere Community School (9.7 mi)**

<https://sites.google.com/rpsk12.org/revere-community-school/programs>  
101 School Street  
Revere, MA 02151  
Contact: Fatou Drammeh, Community School Coordinator  
Phone: (781) 333-2061 x51424  
Email: [RcsRevere@gmail.com](mailto:RcsRevere@gmail.com)

**First Congregational Church or Revere (10 mi)**

<http://www.firstcongrevere.org>  
230 Beach Street  
Revere, MA 02151  
781-284-4158  
Contact: Mike Dempsey, ESOL Program Coordinator  
[ngranitsas@firstcongrevere.org](mailto:ngranitsas@firstcongrevere.org)

**La Comunidad, Inc (9.9 mi)**

<http://www.lacomunidadinc.org>  
471 Broadway, Suite #1, and #6  
Everett, MA 02149  
Contact: Antonio Amaya, Executive Director  
Phone: 617-387-9996  
Email: LACOMUNIDADINC@yahoo.com

**Women Encouraging Empowerment (10.1 mi)**

<http://www.weewomen.org>  
50 Walnut Ave.

Revere, MA 02151

Contact: Gloria Namugaya, Executive Director

781-284-4251

[info@weewomen.org](mailto:info@weewomen.org)

Services include:

- Adult Basic Education (ABE)
- English for speakers of other languages
- Computer literacy
- Child care

### **Literacy Services - Central Library and Branches - Boston Public Library (10.5 mi)**

700 Boylston Street

Boston, MA 02116-0286

Contact: [literacy@bpl.org](mailto:literacy@bpl.org)

(617)859-2446

Services Offered: ABE - Citizenship - Conversation Groups - ESOL - HiSET

Boston Public Library offers Conversation Circles at several branches and Central Library in Copley Square; volunteer led group tutoring. Contact Michael Murray for more information: [mmurray@bpl.org](mailto:mmurray@bpl.org)

### **Pathways Adult Education and Training (10.9 mi)**

<http://massliteracyhotline.org/hotline/ProgramDetails.aspx?p=2812>

Training Resources of America, Inc.

10 Federal Street, Suite 15

Salem, MA 01970

Salem Learning Center

978-744-2417

- Program is free
- All ages
- Monday-Friday
- Also offer: Adult Basic Education (ABE), GED, Pre-GED English for Speakers of Other Languages, Distance Learning, Other

### **North Shore Career Center (10.7 mi)**

<https://www.mass.gov/locations/masshire-north-shore-career-center-salem>

70 Washington Street, 1st Floor

Salem, MA 01970

Phone: 978-825-7200 or 781-691-7400

Fax: 617-727-5989

### **Andover Public Library - Conversational English Group (11.6 mi)**

<http://www.mhl.org/conversational-english>

2 North Main Street

Andover, MA 01810-3656

straina@mhl.org

(978)623-8401 (49)

**Services Offered:** Conversation Groups

Alternative contact: Carolyn Fantini at 978-475-4602

### **Everett Adult Learning Center (11.5 mi)**

90 Chelsea Street

Everett , MA 02149

Contact: Janice Reppucci

617-394-2318

[Everettadullearningcenter@gmail.com](mailto:Everettadullearningcenter@gmail.com)

### **Intergenerational Literacy Program (11.5 mi)**

<https://www.chelseaschools.com/ILP>

99 Hawthorn Street

Chelsea, MA 02150

Contact: Keila Velez, Senior Clerk

Phone: 617-466-5154

Email: [ilpchelsea1989@gmail.com](mailto:ilpchelsea1989@gmail.com)

Services Include:

- Adult Basic Education (ABE) 17+ only
- GED
- SP-GED
- English for speakers of other languages (Spanish-speakers only)
- Family Literacy
- Basic Math
- Computer Literacy
- Native Language Literacy
- Child care

### **SCALE (Somerville Center For Adult Learning Experience) (12.3 mi)**

<http://www.somerville.k12.ma.us/scale>

167 Holland Street

Somerville, MA 02144  
Phone; 617-625-6600 x6900  
Contact: Janice Phillipot, Director  
Must be 18+ and Massachusetts resident

Services Include:

- Adult Basic Education (ABE)
- GED
- Adult Diploma Program
- Pre-GED
- English for Speakers of Other Languages
- SP-GED
- GED Test Center
- Basic Math

### **WalthamESL - Waltham Public Library (12.4 mi)**

735 Main St.  
Waltham, MA 02451-0698  
Contact: debsasulo@minlib.net  
(781)314-3433  
Services Offered: Conversation Groups - ESOL - HiSET

### **Neighborhood of Affordable Housing, Inc. (12.5 mi)**

<https://noahcdc.org/education-leadership-development/english-classes>

143 Border St.  
East Boston, MA  
617-567-5882

- Help new Bostonians learn, improve, and practice their use of the written and oral English language in a comfortable, communal environment, and to encourage engagement in building a stronger community.
- Our ESOL program matches the needs of the immigrant population by providing beginner and intermediate-level instruction geared towards personal goals the students articulate themselves.
- Additionally, NOAH offers an 'Intro to Citizenship' course to help community members navigate the citizenship application
- 'Tech Goes Home' computer education programming.

### **Somerville Public Library (12.9 mi)**

<http://www.somervillepubliclibrary.org/services/esl>

**Distance: 13.9 miles**

79 Highland Avenue

Somerville, MA 02143-1797

(617)623-5000

**Services Offered:** Conversation Groups - ESOL

### **East Boston Ecumenical Community Council (12.6 mi)**

<https://ebecc.org/english/programs.htm>

50 Meridian Street, Suite B1

East Boston, MA 02128

Tel: (617) 567-2750

Fax: (617) 569-5946

Email: [ebecc.admin@verizon.net](mailto:ebecc.admin@verizon.net)

### **Cambridge Community Learning Center (14.2 mi)**

<https://www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/programsforadults/communitylearningcenter.aspx>

5 Western Ave.

Cambridge MA 02139

Phone: 617-349-6363

Fax: 617-349-6339

- English language classes
- Classes in basic reading, writing, and math
- Preparation for High School Equivalency examinations
- Preparation for college or a training program
- Preparation for the U.S. citizenship test

### **The Literacy Project - Central Square Branch (14.6 mi)**

[http://www.cambridgema.gov/cpl/%7E/link.aspx?\\_id=DB63B2A1D67B4E1FBBF4279CA3ECBEA32&\\_z=z](http://www.cambridgema.gov/cpl/%7E/link.aspx?_id=DB63B2A1D67B4E1FBBF4279CA3ECBEA32&_z=z)

**Distance: 15.1 miles**

45 Pearl St.

Cambridge, MA 02139

[mbalestrieri@cambridgema.gov](mailto:mbalestrieri@cambridgema.gov)

(617)349-4013

**Services Offered:** ABE - ESOL - HiSET



## **Literacy Volunteers of Massachusetts (14.8 mi)**

<http://www.lvm.org/student.html>

8 Faneuil Hall Marketplace – 3rd Floor

Boston, MA 02109

Tel: 888-466-1313 or 617-367-1313

LVM provides 2 hours per week of free, confidential and individualized tutoring in either basic literacy or ESOL. Tutor and student pairs make their own schedules and meet at mutually convenient public places in the community. A potential student must be over age 16, cannot be enrolled in school and must be able to make a regular commitment to tutoring. Please note that LVM programs generally have a waiting list, depending on the location.

## **JVS Boston (15.6 mi)**

<http://www.jvs-boston.org/our-services>

75 Federal Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Boston, MA 02110

Telephone: (617) 399-3131

- [ESOL](#): English classes for Speakers of Other Languages (located in Hyde Park)
- [Adult Diploma Program](#): a daytime program for adults to obtain their high school credentials
- [Bridges to College](#): a college preparation program designed to help adults develop the skills necessary to succeed in college
- [CJP Scholarship Fund](#): for qualifying undergraduate students attending a two-year or four-year accredited institution
- [U.S. Citizenship](#): education and assistance for individuals who want to apply for U.S. citizenship

## **Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center (16.2 mi)**

<http://bcnc.net/adult-education/>

Educational and career advising: Stephen Hunter at 617-635-5129 x1044.

Citizenship classes: 617-635-5129.

Boston: 38 Ash Street, Boston, MA 02111

Quincy: 275 Hancock Street, Suite #200, Quincy, MA 02171

One Chinatown: 99 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02111

- Supports adults in obtaining meaningful and family-sustaining employment
- Access to higher education and financial stability through free English classes
- basic computer literacy skills
- citizenship classes
- financial literacy workshops

- Our ESOL English classes

### **Boston Public Library (17 mi)**

<https://www.bpl.org/esol/>

**Distance: 14.9 miles**

700 Boylston Street

Boston, MA 02116-0286

literacy@bpl.org

(617)859-2446

**Services Offered:** ABE - Citizenship - Conversation Groups - ESOL - HiSET

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[mmurray@bpl.org](mailto:mmurray@bpl.org)

### **Boston HERC (17.2 mi)**

<https://www.bostonherc.org/>

68 Northampton St.

Boston, MA 02118

Main Office: (617) 442-5608

Youth Programs: (617) 606-4271

Adult Programs: (617) 606-4273

HERC offers English classes for speakers of other languages (ESOL) at six levels. Each class studies all areas of the English language: conversation, writing, reading, and listening comprehension. English is taught in a dynamic environment which includes music, discussion, workshops, and games. Classes meet twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-8:30pm.

### **Brookline Public Library - ESL Conversation Groups (18.3 mi)**

<https://www.brooklinelibrary.org/ongoing/ell/>

361 Washington St.

Brookline, MA 02445-6864

(617)730-2370

**Services Offered:** Conversation Groups

### **Mujeres Unidas Avanzado (20.2 mi)**

<http://muaboston.org/services/classes/>

54 Clayton Street

Dorchester, MA 02122

Phone: 617 282 3500

E-mail: [johannahmalone@gmail.com](mailto:johannahmalone@gmail.com)

We offer three levels of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, all with a civics focus. Classes are based on the Brazilian educator Paulo Freire's participatory approach to education, which means that students' voices and life experiences greatly inform the curriculum. Learning is student-centered and hands-on. Students have an active role in class content and program evaluation. They learn speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Also offers Pre-ESL Classes.

### **Watertown Free Public Library - Project Literacy (21 mi)**

<http://www.watertownlib.org/project-literacy>

123 Main Street  
Watertown, MA 02472  
(617) 972-6431

Project Literacy offers free services to adults learning to read, write, or speak English. Many are immigrants who are studying English and learning about American culture and some are native or nearly fluent English speakers who are improving their literacy skills.

Students can

- improve their job skills
- support their children's education
- attend computer class
- prepare for U.S. citizenship.
- one-on-one and small group tutoring by trained volunteers
- conversation circles led by native English speakers

### **Methuen Public Library (21.1 mi)**

<https://www.nevinslibrary.org/services/adult-literacy/>

305 Broadway  
Methuen, MA 01844-6898  
LitVolMeth@gmail.com  
(978)686-4080 (32)  
**Services Offered:** ABE - ESOL

### **Lowell Library - Pollard Memorial Library (21 mi)**

<https://lowelllibrary.org/services/adult-literacy/>

401 Merrimack St.  
Lowell, MA 01852  
jjatron@mvlc.org  
(978)674-1541

**Services Offered:** ABE - ESOL

**Chelmsford Library - Conversation Circles (21.5 mi)**

<http://www.chelmsfordlibrary.org/programs/conversation-circles/>

25 Boston Rd.

Chelmsford, MA 01824-3088

kcryanhic@mvlc.org

(978)256-5521

**Services Offered:** Conversation Groups

**Newton Public Library - English Language Literacy (24 mi)**

<http://newtonfreelibrary.net/ell/>

330 Homer Street

Newton Centre, MA 02459-1429

NewtonELL@minlib.net

(617)796-1364

**Services Offered:** ABE - Citizenship - Conversation Groups - ESOL