Dear ELI Alumnus,

Thank you for contacting the English Language Institute at Gallaudet University again. We provide a full-time, intensive instructional program in English as a Second Language, American Sign Language, and cultural studies for international and domestic deaf and hard of hearing adults. The ELI program welcomes students who wish to increase their language skills in order to qualify for admission to university study or to enhance their professional development. Hearing adults who wish to pursue a deafness-related university major or profession are also welcome. To reapply for the English Language Institute, the enclosed application materials need to be completed and mailed to the ELI. Full payment must accompany the application. The ELI application and its supporting documents need to be mailed to the following address:

Gallaudet University  
English Language Institute, HMB E253  
800 Florida Avenue NE  
Washington, DC 20002-3695 USA

If you have any questions about this program, please email Mr. Ali Sanjabi at ali.sanjabi@gallaudet.edu, call us at (202) 651-5721, or fax us at (202) 448-6954.

Regards,

Dr. Amanda S. Holzrichter, Chair  
Department of World Languages and Cultures
# 1. ELI Readmission Application Form

**Domestic Applicants:** Please Type or Print Clearly

When would you like to reenter the ELI program?  ☐ Fall  ☐ Spring  Year: 20__

## Applicant’s Full Legal Name

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## Applicant’s Permanent Address (if different than mailing address)

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Email Address:  
Phone:
**Hearing Status**

You are:  
☐ Deaf  ☐ Hard of Hearing  ☐ Hearing  

Age of Onset:  

Cause of Deafness:  

Type of Amplification used (if any):  
☐ Hearing aid  ☐ Cochlear Implant  ☐ None

**Citizenship & Documentation**

Date of Birth:  
Month:  
Day:  
Year:  

Current Age:  

Gender:  
☐ Male  ☐ Female  ☐ Transgender  ☐ Other  

City and Country of Birth:  

Are you a US citizen?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  

Country of Citizenship:  

Do you have a US Social Security Number?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  
If yes, write your SSN:  

What is your goal after you finish the ELI program? Check one box:  
☐ Enter Gallaudet University and seek a college degree.  
☐ Enter another university and seek a college degree.  
☐ Other (explain):  

**Ethnicity**

This question is optional. Are you  
☐ American Indian/Alaska Native  
☐ Black/African American  
☐ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander  
☐ Asian  
☐ Hispanic/Latino  
☐ White

**Certification of Information**

My signature below certifies that all information in this application is correct, complete, and honestly presented. I understand that falsifying or withholding information in completing the application may result in the cancellation of my admission to the English Language Institute and/or registration with the program.

Applicant’s Signature:  

Date:  

**Domestic Admission Deadlines:** To enter the ELI program in the Fall (August), domestic applicants must submit the ELI application documents by July 15. To enter the ELI program in the Spring (January), the ELI application documents must be received by December 15.

Complete, sign, and mail this form to:

Gallaudet University  
English Language Institute, HMB E253  
800 Florida Avenue NE  
Washington DC 20002-3695  
USA
2. Application Fee

Print Applicant Name: __________________________________________________________

Applications for readmission to the ELI program require a US $50.00 application/admission fee when three or more years have passed since you left the ELI program. The fee is used to cover the cost of processing your application and preparing your readmission. You may pay your fee via bank check or money order, or by credit card. The ELI application fee is non-refundable.

When would you like to enter the ELI program?  
☐ Fall  ☐ Spring  Year: 20____

Bank Check or Money Order. Checks/money orders must be in U.S. dollars.

(Add a check or money order here with a paper clip)

Please do not send cash

Amount: US $50.00

Payable to: Gallaudet University

Credit Card. If you wish to pay by credit card, complete all information below.

Credit Card Type:  ☐ Master Card  ☐ Discover  ☐ American Express  ☐ Visa

Amount: US $50.00

Card Number: ___________________________ Expiration Date: ___________________________

Card Owner Signature: ___________________________ Date: ____________________________

CVV#: ______ (the last 3-4 digits on the back of the card)
3. Official Identification

Print Applicant Name: __________________________________________________

For US citizens: please make a clear copy of one of the following documents:

- Passport
- Driver's license
- State identification card
- Birth certificate
- School ID card
- Voter card
- Utility bill
- Property tax payment

For permanent residents: please make a copy of your permanent residency card (green card).

Add a copy of your official identification to this page with a paper clip.
4. Applicant Essay

Print Applicant Name: ____________________________________________

Previous Attendance at the English Language Institute

What year and semester did you first enter the ELI program?
☐ Fall  ☐ Spring  ☐ Summer  Year:

What year and semester did you last attend the ELI program?
☐ Fall  ☐ Spring  ☐ Summer  Year:

Please explain your reason(s) for applying for readmission to the English Language Institute. Explain here or add a letter. (500 words)
5. Transcript

Print Applicant Name: ____________________________________________________________

Your transcript should list the additional courses that you took since you left the ELI program and the grades you received. Please submit an official copy of your transcript. If it is in another language other than English, you need to have it officially translated into English. Add both the official copy and the official English translation to this page. If you have new college or university transcripts, please add both the official copy and the official English translation to this page.

Add a transcript to this page with a paper clip.
6. Two Letters of Recommendation

You must obtain Letters of Recommendation from at least two professional adults who know you well.

Examples of professionals who can evaluate you are your instructors, academic counselor, school principal, and if you work, your supervisor.

The next two pages are forms that your recommenders can use to evaluate you.

Part A instructions for the ELI applicant:
1. Complete Part A of the Letter of Recommendation form
2. Give the forms to your recommenders
3. Ask them to follow the Part B instructions below for the professional adult.
4. Gather the sealed envelopes (do NOT open them, these envelopes must remain sealed)
5. Mail the sealed envelopes with your ELI application

Part B instructions for the professional adult:
1. Complete Part B of the Letter of Recommendation form
2. Put it into an envelope
3. Put a business card in the envelope
4. If the form and the business card are not written in English, obtain official English translations
5. Put the official translations into the envelope
6. Seal it
7. Sign a signature across the sealed part of the envelope
8. Give the envelope to the applicant
# Letter of Recommendation

**Please Type or Print Clearly**

**Directions for Part A: To be completed by the Applicant**

1. Complete Part A of this Letter of Recommendation  
2. Give the forms to your recommenders  
3. Ask them to do the instructions below for Part B.

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**Applicant’s Name:**

**Applicant’s Address:**

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**Directions for Part B: To be completed by the Recommender**

The applicant above is applying to the English Language Institute (ELI) at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. The ELI program provides a full time, intensive program in English as a Second Language, American Sign Language and cultural studies for international deaf and hard of hearing adults. Thank you for helping us learn more about the applicant.

1. Complete Part B of this Letter of Recommendation  
2. Put it into an envelope  
3. Put a business card in the envelope  
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Please evaluate the applicant using this scale:

- **Ability to Learn:**  
  - Poor  
  - Average  
  - Good  
  - Excellent  

- **Self-discipline:**  
  - Poor  
  - Average  
  - Good  
  - Excellent  

- **Motivation:**  
  - Poor  
  - Average  
  - Good  
  - Excellent  

- **Character:**  
  - Poor  
  - Average  
  - Good  
  - Excellent

Please comment here on the applicant’s character and ability to learn, or add a letter:

**Your Address:**

**Your relationship to the Applicant:**

**Your Name (print):**  
**Title/Position:**

**Signature:**  
**Date:**
Letter of Recommendation

Please Type or Print Clearly

Directions for Part A: To be completed by the Applicant

6. Complete Part A of this Letter of Recommendation
7. Give the forms to your recommenders
8. Ask them to do the instructions below for Part B.
9. Gather the sealed envelopes (do NOT open them, these envelopes must remain sealed)
10. Mail the sealed envelopes with your ELI application

Applicant’s Name:

Applicant’s Address:

Directions for Part B: To be completed by the Recommender

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Your Address:

Your relationship to the Applicant:

Your Name (print):

Title/Position:

Signature:

Date:
Guide to the Documentation of Financial Sources Form and the Certificate of Finances

Student's Sources of Funds/Required Documents

An English Language Institute policy requires all domestic applicants to provide evidence of adequate financial support before they may obtain an acceptance letter.

Directions: To demonstrate that you have adequate financial support, you must complete and send the Documentation of Financial Sources Form and the Certificate of Finances below and original, official documents that show you have sufficient funds to pay at least the fixed/estimated costs of one academic year.

In the link below, please check the fixed/estimated costs for domestic students in the English Language Institute (ELI) at Gallaudet University.


If the link above does not work for any reason, you may find the tuition and fee schedules that Gallaudet University provides in this link below.


If you plan to live on campus in one of the dormitories, the room rates can be found in this link below.

http://www.gallaudet.edu/residence-life-and-housing/housing/room-rates/

The estimated cost of living on campus for one academic year must be included as part of the total fixed / estimated costs for the purposes of providing financial evidence for your ELI application.

Disclaimer: This information is provided as a guide only and is not considered a contract or binding on the University. The University reserves the right to change tuition costs, fees, and other charges at any time without notice.
Estimated Additional Costs:

- You should plan to have at least $5,000 for personal expenses each academic year.
- If you plan to stay at Gallaudet through the winter and summer vacation periods, you will need an additional $5,000.
- If your family will stay with you while you are a student, plan an additional $8,000 for your spouse and $5,000 for each child.

Summer School:  Gallaudet offers additional courses during Summer School (May-August). Most academic programs do not require students to take Summer School courses. Summer School courses require additional tuition and fees. Consult the Student Accounts office for a list of these additional charges.

For Domestic Students - Documentation of Financial Support: Listed in the Documentation of Sources form below are the sources of support you can use to demonstrate adequate financial support. The total amount of funds shown in these support documents must equal or exceed the fixed costs for one academic year in the ELI program.

Steps:

1. You must obtain original, official copies of each support document.
2. Add a copy of each document to this Certificate of Finances and send it to the English Language Institute (ELI) at Gallaudet University.

Required for all Applicants: You MUST submit documents for each source of funds that you mark. Documents must be in English and bear a signature or be on letterhead from an official agency.

Note: These documents must be less than three months old when presented to Gallaudet University.
7. Documentation of Financial Sources

**Directions:** Please mark your source(s) of funding for the duration of your program at Gallaudet University.

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8. Certificate of Finances

To Be Completed by the Applicant. Please Type or Print Clearly.

NAME: ___________________________________    _______________________________   ______________________

Last Name (Family Name)                                        First Name                                                  Middle Name

GENDER: (Check one): □ Male □ Female    DATE OF BIRTH: ___________/ ___________/ ___________

(Month)                 (Day)                    (Year)

MAILING ADDRESS:

____________________________________________________

Street

_______________________________________________

City

____________________________________________________

State       Zip or Postal Code       Country

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

____________________________________________________

COUNTRY OF BIRTH: _______________________    COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: _______________________

PHONE #: (______)______________________    FAX #: (______)______________________

Applicant Certification

I hereby certify that the total amount of money that I have available for my first academic year at Gallaudet University is US$____________________. Further, I certify that the information I am providing is correct and complete, and that I will notify Gallaudet University of any changes in my financial circumstances.

___________________________________________________        __________________________________________

Signature                    Date

Add financial support documents
to this page with a paper clip
Guide to Completing the Sponsor's Affidavit of Annual Cash Support Form

What is the implication of this affidavit?

By completing this affidavit, you (sponsor) are sworn to the United States government that you will support the student with a specific amount of money from your own financial resources for each year of the student’s studies and residence at Gallaudet University in the United States of America. Please note that you also must add documents with proof to show that you are sworn to support that student every year.

By signing the affidavit, you are making a financial commitment to the student that you must not break. Sponsors who fail to provide the sworn support will force students to leave school. Do not expect that the student will be able to help support the costs through employment. Employment is very limited.

How to complete the enclosed Sponsor's Affidavit of Annual Cash Support Form:

- Fill out affidavit form in ENGLISH!
- Promise to give only as much money as you can afford. The most common reason we reject affidavits is because we do not believe a sponsor can pay the amount of money he or she has promised.
- Add proof of financial capability document(s) as explained below.

Proof of Financial Capability Documents:

You must prove that you are financially capable of supporting EACH YEAR of your student’s studies by adding a proof of income document and bank statements. (If one of these documents is not included, your support will not be considered).

- **Proof of Income Document.** This must be on your employer’s business stationary, on income tax returns, or receipts, or estimates by a bank with a private account if you are self-employed. The income of your company will not be accepted as proof of income. You must provide an official statement of the salary paid to you or it must be on tax returns.

- **Bank Statements** must be in your name and your statement must state the following information: date when your account was opened, current balance in U.S. dollars, average deposits and average balances. We cannot accept statements that do not specify balances unless it is stated to be a minimum of $100,000 US. If another person’s name appears on your bank statement, that person must complete a separate affidavit or submit a statement permitting those funds to be considered as financial support for the student.

- **A Bank Letter** must be submitted with the account balance on the letterhead of the bank where the banking account mentioned above is located. The bank letter must be in English and must specify the balance in US dollars.

Documents must be:

- Current (less than three months old)
- In English
9. Sponsor’s Affidavit of Annual Cash Support Form

Directions: Please read the Guide to the Documentation of Financial Sources above to determine if this form needs to be completed. Please read the Guide to Completing the Sponsor's Affidavit of Annual Cash Support in order to fill out this form correctly. It is recommended to fill in an amount greater than **$30,000 USD** in order to financially qualify.

**THIS IS MY SWORN PROMISE OF CASH SUPPORT**

_I, __________________________________________, promise that I can and will give no less than U.S. $ _____________ in cash **FOR EVERY YEAR** of the student’s program of study at Gallaudet University to: ____________________________________________________________

Full Name of Student

My relationship to the student is ____________________________________________.

Parent, Spouse, Brother/Sister, Government Sponsor, Other

My address is ____________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: __________________________

Email: ___________________________

The following persons are fully or partially dependent upon me for their support (do not include the student named above):

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Name of My Employer: ____________________________________________________________

Annual Salary: ________________ (US$) Other Income: ________________ (US$)

My proof of income document and bank statement are added: Yes ☐ No ☐

_________________________________________ _________________________________
Signature Date
10. Domestic Advance Payment Form

Print Applicant Name: ________________________________________________________________

Directions: The applicant or the financial sponsor of the applicant must fill out and sign this Domestic Advance Payment Form.

My relationship to the applicant is _________________________________________________

Self, Spouse, Mother, Father, Brother, Sister, or Other Financial Sponsor

I understand that if I do not provide an advance payment for each semester by the deadline for business registration, the student cannot register for any classes at Gallaudet University.

The advance payment deadline for a returning student is the deadline for business registration. Please check the Gallaudet University undergraduate academic calendar (https://www.gallaudet.edu/registrar/academic-calendars) for the dates.

During the semester, the student may incur additional charges. When this happens, the balance due must be paid off by the final balance due deadlines listed on the undergraduate academic calendar on the Gallaudet University website.

I also understand that the student is ultimately responsible for paying the balances due to Gallaudet University.

___________________________________________________        __________________________________________
Signature                          Date
Print Applicant Name: _______________________________________________________________

Below is important information for the student and his/her family or financial sponsor about grace periods.

If a student on the first day of classes has not been able to complete business registration, the student cannot stay on campus and must return home within a reasonable amount of time (e.g. less than a week). The family is expected to be prepared to purchase a return flight ticket or provide other transportation for the student.

As a student, I understand that it is my responsibility to pay off debts due to Gallaudet University on a timely basis. If a final balance due deadline has passed and I still have an outstanding balance or I cannot complete business registration before the current semester's deadline, I understand that I cannot stay on campus as a student. I understand this policy and agree to abide by it.

_______________________________________________________        __________________________________
Signature of Student                                   Date

Bank Transfer Option: After the ELI application has been submitted, then if you wish to do a bank transfer/money wire, please send an email to Mr. Ali Sanjabi at ali.sanjabi@gallaudet.edu to obtain information on how to make an advance payment via a bank transfer.

Witness (Signature Required):

Please print your name clearly: _______________________________________________________________

My relationship to the applicant is ______________________________________________________

Spouse, Mother, Father, Brother, Sister, or Other Financial Sponsor

_______________________________________________________        __________________________________
Signature of Spouse, Mother, Father, Brother, Sister, or Other Financial Sponsor                                   Date
12. Housing Affirmation Form

Print Applicant Name: __________________________________________________________

Directions: Please fill out this form and sign the Affirmation section below after you have submitted the completed Housing Application to Residence Life.

The Housing Application is available in Bison, which is an online portal that is available for Gallaudet University students. Applicants need to wait until a decision has been reached regarding their ELI application for admission. When the applicant has been accepted to the English Language Institute, then the Housing Application can be completed after he or she has registered for his or her Gallaudet University email account.

Date the Housing Application Form was submitted to Residence Life: ______ ______ ______

Affirmation: I understand that I must submit the Housing Application form within Bison in order to reserve a dorm room before I arrive on campus for ELI Student Orientation. I understand that if I do not complete the housing form in a timely manner, there may be no dorm room available for me.

________________________________________    _______________________________________
Applicant Signature                        Date

After completing this form, please sign and date it, scan it, and send this page as an attachment to Mr. Ali Sanjabi at ali.sanjabi@gallaudet.edu.