

## **Bridge Pathway Program at CSU**

### **What is the Bridge Pathway Program (BPP)?**

The Bridge Pathway Program is an opportunity for international students to develop English while taking academic classes at Columbus State University. The purpose of the Bridge is to provide students with developmental English as a Second Language (ESL) courses in an Intensive English Program (IEP) and credit-bearing courses that may count towards the completion of a college degree.

### **How do I apply for the BPP?**

- Complete an application for study in the BPP at Columbus State University
- Meet all application requirements for CSU except English language proficiency
  - Submit transcripts from high school and university study
  - Submit a \$40 application fee
  - Submit a Financial Guarantee with bank letter (required for F1 visa students)

### **What are the English language proficiency requirements for entering the BPP?**

- IELTS 5.5 or higher with no score being lower than a 5
- TOEFL 54 with all scores being 10 or higher
- The following scores will also be considered
  - MELAB 65
  - EIKEN Pre-2A
  - PTE 43
  - Evaluation and placement testing by CSU ELI (GSE 43)

### **Program Description:**

- 2-4 semesters
- Students must maintain academic standing requirements for CSU & the IEP
- Students must maintain attendance requirements for CSU & the IEP
- ELI advisors will support students with CSU & IEP class selection

<b>Semester</b>	<b>IEP</b>	<b>CSU</b>
1st semester	4 classes (14 hours/week)	≥1 class (1-3 credit hours)
2nd semester	3 classes (11 hours/week)	≥2 classes (3-6 credit hours)
3rd semester	2 classes (8 hours/week)	≥2 classes (3-6 credit hours)
4th semester	1-2 classes	7-12 credit hours

### **How do I exit the BPP for full CSU admission?**

- Meet the English language proficiency requirements for CSU admission
  - required ELP test scores
  - IEP successful completion certificate

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