Levels

The PAR Program offers three different levels to fit your needs: Each level has classes focusing on grammar, written and oral communication. Students must take a placement test during onsite registration to determine which level is most appropriate for them.

Level 1 – Level 2 – Level 3

Level 1

Description
Classes focus on the fundamental and interpersonal skills involved in reading, writing, listening to and speaking English. Through class activities students practice conversations, listening skills, pronunciation, reading comprehension and strategies, vocabulary development and writing complete sentences and paragraphs incorporating grammatical concepts taught in class.

Courses
EAP 160 – English Grammar I
EAP 100 – English Listening and Speaking I
EAP 120 – English Reading and Writing I
EAP 150 – Introduction to American Culture

By the end of Level 1 you should be able to:

- Participate in conversations
- Give an informal presentation
- Narrate a story, describe a simple process and offer reasons
- Take notes from a simple lecture
- Write a paragraph
- Use an ESL dictionary
- Read paragraphs and texts

Level 2

Description
Classes focus on interpersonal communication and academic skills. Students read more complex selections and write simple essays. They also take part in more in-depth conversations. Students will begin to conduct preliminary research into the field they are most interested in as preparation for degree-seeking university-level work.

Courses
EAP 180 – English for Academic Purposes I (discipline-specific modules)
EAP 220 – English Reading and Writing II
EAP 200 – English Listening and Speaking II
EAP 260 – English Grammar II
By the end of **Level 2** you should be able to:

- Participate in group discussions
- Give informal presentations
- Describe characteristics, compare and contrast two or more items, and discuss advantages and disadvantages
- Take notes from an adapted lecture
- Write a simple essay
- Summarize a short reading
- Read longer, more complex texts
- Read an adapted book in English
- Use an ESL dictionary

**Level 3**

**Description**

Classes focus on improving communication skills in general, as well as preparing students for academic classes. Students read and listen to a variety of authentic materials and participate in more complex listening and speaking activities. The different courses offered enable students to use their English language skills at a complex and in-depth level such as is found in the university setting, which prepare students to handle a regular academic course load.

**Courses**

- **EAP 280** – English for Academic Purposes II (research methods)
- **EAP 170** – Test Preparation Course (TOEFL/ACT/GRE)
- **SLS 1503** – 1 course of your choice from the FAU catalog (graduate or undergraduate level).
  
You may want to consider courses such as:

- **LIN 2607** – Global Perspective on Language
- **LIN 3010** – Introduction to Linguistics
- **FOL 3880** – Research and Bibliographic Methods

By the end of **Level 3** you should be able to:

- Lead and participate in group discussions
- Give formal academic presentations
- Take notes from an academic lecture
- Write a multi-paragraph essay and research paper
- Describe a problem and offer solutions and discuss causes and effects
- Summarize and paraphrase from a reading
- Read and evaluate academic texts and articles
- Read a book in English with the class and independently
- Use a college-level dictionary