

History and Mission

The International Learning Center began providing English as a Second Language instruction to Southeast Asian immigrants in 1981. It has since grown from a small volunteer tutoring program to an established community-based adult literacy program serving over 500 students annually.



Our mission is to enable refugees and immigrants to function effectively as parents, workers and citizens. Through learner-centered education, the International Learning Center provides individuals with opportunities to develop intellectual, social and life skills in a secure, nurturing environment where all cultures are valued and respected by staff and participants.

Partner Agencies

Milwaukee Area
Refugee Consortium (MARC)

Wisconsin Literacy

Literacy Coalition of
Southeastern Wisconsin

United Neighborhood Centers
of Milwaukee (UNCOM)

Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC)

Volunteer!

Join our corps of dedicated volunteer tutors. No special background knowledge is required to lend a hand.



There are many ways to get involved:

Assist ESL instructors in the classroom

Tutor individuals or small groups

Assist in the math class

Help students in the computer lab

Help out in the office with data entry
or bilingual support

Teach a citizenship class

Read and interact with preschool children

Donate - we are always in need of
extra clothing, household items and
financial support

*For more information
or to set up an appointment,
call Program Manager Anna Bierer
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ESL CLASSES • TUTORING • CITIZENSHIP
MATH • PRE-GED • COMPUTER LAB
PRESCHOOL • LIFE SKILLS

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*Located on the corner of 25th and Wisconsin Ave. in
downtown Milwaukee, in the lower level of the
Central United Methodist Church. The entrance is
from the parking lot on 25th Street.*



A program of
Neighborhood House of Milwaukee



English Classes and More

We offer morning, afternoon and evening adult classes in English as a Second Language, including literacy level instruction for students who have had little or no prior education in their country. Our learner-centered approach develops the communication and life skills students need to participate in the community as parents, workers, and citizens. Bilingual support is provided for Hmong, Lao, Burmese, Thai, Spanish, Somali, and Maay-Maay speakers.

In addition, we have Pre-GED and employment preparation classes for dislocated workers to give them an edge in the changing workplace.



Field trips – to the library, the museum, the pumpkin farm, the maple syrup farm, the state house, and MATC – are an important part of the educational experience at the International Learning Center.

Computer Lab



Students of all literacy levels use ESL, Math, and Pre-GED software and go online with help from instructors and volunteers. The computer lab is open during school hours.



Citizenship Classes

We offer morning and evening classes, and a Saturday session in collaboration with Lao Christian Church on Milwaukee's south side.

The International Learning Center was awarded site recognition and accreditation by the US Board of Immigration Appeals, one of only 3 area citizenship programs to be so honored.

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*The International Learning Center is an outreach site of Milwaukee Area Technical College which provides certified instructors, and computers for our lab.*



## Early Childhood Education

Our on-site preschool is available for children 2½ to 5 years old while their parents attend classes. Here children learn the literacy and English language skills they'll need for kindergarten, and develop social skills for a successful transition to school. Two bilingual full-time certified instructors supervise the program which also offers home visits and other family-focused activities for parents and children.

## Math Class



Math is one of our most popular classes and an important part of job readiness. Students learn computation and financial literacy, or brush up on their skills. Job applicants are often expected to pass employer math assessments; we give students the critical preparation they need to succeed in the workplace.