

ENGLISH FOR ENGAGED SOCIAL SERVICE



JANUARY 7 - APRIL 5, 2018
Wongsanit Ashram,
Thailand



The INEB Institute

English for Engaged Social Service is a project of the Institute for Transformative Learning of the International Network of Engaged Buddhists.

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OUR MISSION

1. To develop an English language program as a model to be shared:
 - of socially conscious language learning
 - in a rich, cooperative learning environment
 - that allows for rapid, enjoyable, and successful mastery of language skills
 - and fosters personal growth and social engagement.
2. To prepare students committed to personal growth & social service for the INEB Institute's MA in Socially Engaged Buddhism.



TERM DATES

January 7 - April 5, 2018
12 weeks of intensive instruction and one week of holiday at midterm.



TUITION FEES

3,500 USD, or 122,500 Baht
This fee covers tuition, field trips, Internet access, private tutoring, group excursions, and insurance.*



HOME CAMPUS

Wongsanit Ashram
Nakhon Nayok, Thailand

LIVING EXPENSES

2,300 USD, or 80,500 Baht
This fee covers three healthy meals per day, snacks, and simple but comfortable and safe lodging.

*Travel from home country to Thailand and visa fees are not included in this amount.
Partial and full scholarships are available, based on merit and need.

WHO SHOULD APPLY AS A STUDENT?

You should apply if...

- Your English is intermediate level or better.
- You want to improve your English dramatically.
- You want to use your mind and your skills to work for personal growth and for the good of everyone.
- You love learning, especially in the company of others.
- You are committed to doing the work necessary to learn English well.
- You are adaptable and have a lot of energy.

We welcome students from any country, regardless of age, occupation, and social or religious status. (We are happy to accept monks, nuns, and laypeople.)

We also encourage you to apply even if you do not have the funds to pay for the program

**Number of Students Accepted
Maximum of 15 to 20**



How to Apply as a Student, Tutor, or Trainee:

- Download and fill out the application form at <http://inebinstitute.org/apply/>. We will ask you to send us a cover letter, a sample of your writing and a CV or resume.
- Email to registrar@inebinstitute.org or post a hardcopy of the completed application to: The INEB Institute, 666 Charoen Nakhon, Bang LamphuLang, Khlong San, Bangkok 10600, Thailand.
- For those passing the first selection we will make an appointment with you for an interview online.

VOLUNTEER TUTOR PROGRAM

We are seeking volunteer tutors who will assist the primary teachers in the class room and lead small group and one-on-one conversations outside of class.

Volunteer tutors will receive free room and board, and free travel on group excursions. You should apply if...

- You are a native or near native English speaker.
- You like people and are highly conscientious and responsible.
- You would like to learn about Thailand, Buddhism, meditation, social issues, and transformative teaching methods.
- You want to practice teaching and leading others.
- You are ready for a life change.

TRAINEE PROGRAM

Would you like to receive training to adapt and run this course in your home community? We will provide personalized training to you before, during, and after the program, and you will take on teaching and leadership responsibilities at a pace that is appropriate for your learning process.

Tuition and fees for trainees are the same as for students (p. 2). You must be able to arrive by January 5 and remain through April 12, 2018. You should apply if the tutor qualifications are true of you, and if...

- You are eager to learn to use transformative learning and teaching methods.
- You would love to run a version of this course that fits the needs of your home community.
- You want to cultivate your qualities as a leader and teacher over the long term.

Successful trainees will be eligible to receive 3 hours of master's level credit within the INEB Institute's MA in Socially Engaged Buddhism.

I have learnt a lot from this program.
... I can understand more easily
when people talk to me, and I speak
and read English more clearly.
Besides that, I have learnt about
social structure, climate change,
gender equality, and community
actions through field trips and
workshops. During this program my
life has become more clear to me
and I feel confident about what I
want to do next. ~ *Phonesavanh*
Chindamany, Dok Lao, Laos

I want to begin to do counseling
for Internally Displaced Persons
because now they face deep
suffering and have psychological
pain because of the civil war in my
area, Kachin State. During these
three months, the level of my
self-confidence has gone up. My
English skills have also improved.
So, I can say this program is a part
of my life. Thank you very much.
~ *Khar Nan, Metta Development*
Foundation, Myanmar

This course let me dare to dream of the high potentials that I could reach
and showed me how to start, step by step, to make my goals come true.
~ *Ven. Dhammavanna, Songdhammakalyani Monastery, Thailand*

STORY HIGHLIGHT

Three months ago, I told my mom I was coming here to learn English. In fact, I got to learn important truths about myself and the world through English. Those truths challenged me to design my life in a new way. Five things I discovered during this program:

1. What do I really want? The teachers gave me this powerful question. I found that I want to live a harmless and simple life.
2. The social structure that I'm living in does not allow me to live simply, without harming others or myself. Oppression and exploitation occur every day, not only outside but also in my mind. To stop creating more suffering, I decided to stop blaming others or myself.
3. What I need to solve the problem is "understanding" and "connection". To connect with myself, I will keep meditating. With my close ones, I will use co-counseling to free our minds from patterns. Through art, I connect with different groups of people in my society. And I want to practice mindful consumption to respect the environment
4. English is power. With good English I can understand and connect to the world.
5. Every time I feel discouraged, I will think of what the teachers kept telling us: I'm important. What I do affects the world in some way. I can decide to be happy and begin anew every day.

This is enough for changing my whole life. Thank you, all of you.

~ *Wijitra Tretrakul, "From Heart to Heart" Project for Women Prisoners, Thailand*