



REGISTRATION

Contact the Bridge Program to schedule an appointment to register for any Bridge services. Participants will need to be available for a minimum of one hour for registration and assessment.

*Bridge Program main line:
617-496-2216*

BRIDGE PROGRAM: ADVANCED PRONUNCIATION AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR POSTDOCS

Pronunciation

This 12-week course has been designed for individuals who have a strong understanding of English grammar and are comfortable reading texts designed for native English speakers. This course provides direct instruction on how to improve pronunciation to be better understood by native English speakers. It is highly individualized, and students will receive a comprehensive pre- and post-evaluation of their speech patterns. The class meets twice a week & will focus on identifying and correcting accented speech sounds and common pronunciation problems which contribute to misunderstood communication. Participants will be recorded and videotaped to track pronunciation advancements. Class presentations will also be assigned. Enrollment is limited to 6 students. Classes will meet for two hours twice a week. Pending enrollment, classes are scheduled at both the Cambridge and Longwood Campuses.

Communication

This 10-week class is a follow-up to the Pronunciation Class and has been designed to offer students the opportunity to polish their speaking skills with a focus on clarity. It is based on the belief that critical self-reflection is the best way to make lasting changes related to pronunciation and communication skills. The class includes a continued focus on individual pronunciation issues and the modeling of learning tools that students can use for self-guided practice and improvement. In class, students speak in small groups on a variety of professional and social conversation topics, as well as give short presentations to the whole group. Outside of class they use self-evaluation and peer/instructor feedback to assess and monitor their progress. Enrollment is limited to 16 students. Classes meet once a week for two hours. Pending enrollment, classes are scheduled at both the Cambridge and Longwood Campuses.