



Academic Culture and English Skills (ACES) Summer Program for ITAs

ACES is a three-week intensive English and academic culture program aimed at helping incoming international teaching assistants (ITAs) adjust to the American university teaching and learning context prior to their first semester at MSU. The course focuses on strengthening oral communication skills in English and developing an understanding of the American educational system.

For Summer 2021, ACES will run online from July 26th through August 13th and will consist of highly interactive synchronous and asynchronous class sessions. ITAs participating in this program will get a head start using and improving their English language skills and learning about the expectations of MSU undergraduate students, their own academic departments, and the university-at-large.

ACES is open to incoming international graduate teaching assistants at the request of their departments. Departments wishing additional information on registering their students should contact Alissa Cohen, ITA Program Coordinator, at cohenal@msu.edu no later than May 21st.

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