



PINE MANOR COLLEGE ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

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Newsletter

ELI Academics — *New iBT TOEFL Prep Course!*



ELI launched an Internet-Based TOEFL (iBT) preparation course in our state-of-the-art Wean Computer Lab. Using the newest materials available, students practice listening, reading and writing for the iBT. The speaking portion is timed practiced on site with the instructor. We are still using materials for the paper-based test in conjunction with the new iBT materials to prepare students to take either test. Our goal is to have each student who wishes to do well in either the iBT or Paper TOEFL succeed.

ELI Academics — *Class with PMC Students!*

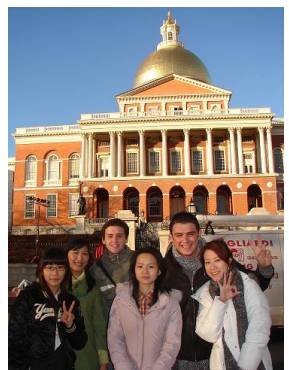
This semester students from ELI and PMC will study together in a Cross-Cultural Psychology class. This unique opportunity will enable ELI students to participate in a class with students from the United States. The ELI students will improve their English, meet and study with students from the United States, and experience a university class. The course will focus on the effect of culture on individual development and emphasize how culture shapes personality and social relations. The distinct feature of our program will provide students with an enriching social, cultural and educational experience.

ELI Activities — *Inauguration of New Governor...*



Students had the opportunity to be a part of an important chapter in Boston and US history as they attended the inauguration of the new Governor of the State of Massachusetts. Deval Patrick is the first African-American Governor of Massachusetts and the second African-American Governor to be elected in the United States. Students commented that it was great to be a part of such an important event, and that it was so interesting to see how a change in leadership is celebrated.

... and Boston Tour!



As part of our regular Orientation for new students, the English Language Institute (ELI) offers a tour of the historical and cultural sites of Boston. Students visit the major landmarks including the Freedom Trail, Faneuil Hall, Quincy Market, Newbury St, the State House and Back Bay.

ELI Holiday Party — *Festive Karaoke, Gift Exchange, and Food!*



ELI Students and Teachers Singing Karaoke

ELI students and teachers gathered for a holiday party before the winter break. They had a "Yankee Swap" gift exchange, enjoyed singing karaoke holiday and popular songs, and had the chance to taste a traditional Yule Log cake. The highlight of the party was a rendition of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" sung in English, Spanish, and Japanese.



We are so pleased to announce that Steve Donovan will be the new Activities Coordinator. Steve has been an excellent teacher for ELI, and now in addition to teaching dynamic classes he will also be coordinating all on campus and off campus cultural, social and educational activities and excursions. Steve brings great enthusiasm, energy and spirit to the position. Stay tuned to hear about all the fantastic events that Steve will be offering!



ELI students recently met Pam Cross, a news reporter for WCVB-TV in Boston