

Evening at Emory Launches Au Pair Enrichment Program

For immediate release: ATLANTA—April 29— Evening at Emory has launched a new enrichment program in response to the growing use of au pairs for childcare in the Atlanta area. It was designed to help au pairs meet the educational requirements set by US Government and to take some of the burden off of their host families, who are typically responsible for helping au pairs navigate their educational options. This program is the second of its kind in the US and the only one in the Southeast.

“Evening at Emory’s English as a Second Language (ESL) classes have experienced a significant increase in au pair enrollment over the past few years, so it made sense to develop something to meet the specific needs of these young people. The new Au Pair Enrichment Program provides an Emory-quality educational experience coupled with convenience and competitive pricing for the au pair’s host family,” says Lisa Kozicki, Evening at Emory’s director.

Students in this program will complete 60 hours of coursework total; 40 hours in ESL instruction and 20 in electives. The ESL coursework focuses specifically on communication with and about children: vocabulary regarding children’s behavior, children’s literature, safety, and basic household duties. The electives vary each quarter, but will always be selected to provide au pairs the opportunity to explore American culture and socialize with other adults in the community. Summer 2009 electives include: *Understanding Your Digital Camera*, *Beginning Drawing*, *Hip-Hop Dance for Beginners*, *Middle Eastern Dancing*, *Pilates*, and *Yoga*.

Enrollment in the Au Pair Enrichment Program requires intermediate level English skills. Students will receive a certificate of completion upon finishing the program provided that they attend at least 80% of the courses and complete all components within one year.

The Summer 2009 Session will meet Mondays and Thursdays from 7:00-9:30 pm beginning July 6th. Tuition, including textbooks, is \$675.

For more information please visit: <http://cll.emory.edu/eate/certificates/aupair/index.htm> or call 404-727-5519.

Evening at Emory is a program of the Emory University Center for Lifelong Learning committed to nurturing the timeless passion for lifelong learning through innovative, sophisticated personal enrichment classes for adults. Since 1951, the program has encouraged personal growth in an atmosphere that fosters creativity, discussion, and intellectual exploration.

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