Dear Friends,

Greetings from a warm and sunny Dayton!

We have reached Week 8 of summer semester. Time flies when you're having fun, right? Our classes are offered online again this summer. One advantage of working remotely is that you can set up your workspace just about anywhere. Teacher Tom recently took advantage of the nice weather and moved outside to do his course prep in a hammock!

Where is your favorite place to study or work? Send us a picture and we'll share it in our July newsletter!

/ Jeannette
Asma from Saudi Arabia is studying in Level 4 TOEFL Waiver Track this semester. In addition to two LEAP classes, she's taking one academic course, MBA 5800, Survey of Quantative Business Analysis, in Raj Soin College of Business. Once she has completed LEAP, Asma will join the MBA Program at Wright State.

"I thank all those in charge of education in LEAP for the knowledge that they taught us and means they have provided to us, which also help us to learn in light of this COVID-19 crisis. I am grateful for your great efforts to bring us to this level, thanks to God Almighty. Your efforts have now led me to a step closer to achieving my goal. I hope to continue my educational career diligently, and I will remember forever that you were not only teachers, but you were our family. Thank you very much."

Summer Fun in Dayton!

When you need a break from your summer studies, what do you do?

Yaqub from Saudi Arabia recently went to John Bryan State Park in Yellow Springs and enjoyed a BBQ with some of his friends. There are lots of local parks close to campus that are great for hiking, fishing, BBQing and more. Don't those steaks look delicious?
Ohio is a great place to explore the outdoors. Did you know we have 75 State Parks, 17 State Forests, 20 State Memorials, 4 State Nature Preserves, 2 State Reserves, 14 State Wildlife Areas, 1 National Park, 1 National Forest, 2 National Historic Parks, 3 National Wildlife Refuges and 3 Metro and City Parks. Ready to explore? Click here: [Ohio State Parks](#)

### Connecting with the World

We continue our innovative online outreach this summer. Our second collaboration with [Al-Furat Al-Awsat Technical University](#) in Iraq took place on Friday June 12. LEAP adjunct instructor Pam Everly gave a webinar on English pronunciation to an audience of close to 2,000 participants. Hashim H. Abada, LEAP and 2017 WSU graduate, organized and hosted the webinar and we enjoyed connecting with people in 15 different countries this way!
Have you checked out the LEAP website lately? If not, click here to visit!

Also, be sure to check out the Wright State University - Virtual Brochure! If you know anyone interested in studying in the U.S., suggest Wright State to them and pass along this brochure so they can learn more.

#WrightStateRightSchool
Hanin Hussin from Libya attended LEAP for three terms in 2011. She earned the TOEFL Waiver for Graduate Studies at WSU but moved to Louisiana where she earned a PhD in Pharmacology and Toxicology from the University of Louisiana at Monroe in May 2016. Upon graduating, she returned to her native Benghazi, Libya, where she is now a lecturer with the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Benghazi. She also serves as Head of Scientific Research Committee at the Libyan International Medical University in Benghazi. She and her husband Suliman, who also studied in LEAP while living in Ohio, have two children, Abdu (7) and Jana (4). "I miss LEAP and Ohio a lot," says Hanin. "I hope to come back and see you all again!"
Former LEAP Students:
What are you up to? Do you have a success story of your own?
Email Jeannette at jeannette.horwitz@wright.edu.
We love to follow up with LEAP alumni and would like to feature your story in
an upcoming edition of LEAP News!

LEAP Community Scholarship

George (US/Mexico) and Bilal (Afghanistan) are our Academic Year 2019-2020 recipients of the LEAP Community Scholarship. Both are taking classes in Level 4 this summer. George, who is a member of the US Navy Reserves, hopes to study nursing at Wright State and Bilal is starting his undergraduate studies in the College of Engineering and Computer Science this fall, majoring in Information Technology and Cybersecurity. These two young men will be great additions to the Raider family after LEAP!

To learn more about the scholarship and to apply, click here:

LEAP Community Scholarship

The deadline to apply for Fall Semester 2020 is August 1.
Consider a donation to LEAP. Your donation helps bring students together in social, cultural, and academic activities. It helps connect the world.

Available Funds:

- **LEAP Scholarship fund**: Award recipients and number and amount of awards will be determined by the LEAP program office
- **LEAP Program fund**: Supports the activities of the LEAP program

[Click here to make a donation]

Thank you for your support!

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**Fall Semester Evening Classes**

Fall Semester, we are offering three evening classes. Two of them are short-term classes meeting twice a week for six weeks. These are great options for local ESL students who might be working during the day but want a chance to improve their English at night. Check out the flyers below for more information. Contact us at leapadmissions@wright.edu if you have questions.

**Full semester course:**

*American Culture and Communication*
Six-week evening courses:

**ESL Grammar Refresher & Pronunciation Improvement**

- English grammar can be tricky to master - and to remember after a few years away from formal study!
- LEAP's ESL Grammar Refresher is a survey of the following topics to help non-native English speakers brush up their grasp of:
  - Which articles to use, when to use them - and when NOT to!
  - English word order and sentence structure in simple, compound, and complex sentences.
  - How to use grammar structures to express ideas more effectively.
  - The meanings and uses of English verb tenses and voices.
  - The meanings and uses of verbs that express levels of certainty and social obligation.
- Each class will be an overview of one topic and will include instruction and practice.
Are you a non-native English speaker?

Do you want to improve your English pronunciation?

- Do you want to communicate more effectively with North American English speakers?
- Did you know that it’s possible to be clearly understood without having a native accent?
- Did you know that there are some specific skills you can learn that can make a big difference in your pronunciation?

Pronunciation Improvement is a 6-week interactive course to help you improve both your pronunciation and your listening comprehension skills so that you’ll have more confidence when you speak English. The course focuses on:

- Learning important pronunciation patterns and techniques to help native and non-native English speakers understand you clearly.
- Improving your ability to understand the speech of North American English speakers.
- Helping you recognize your own pronunciation problems, set goals for improvement, and establish methods for ongoing pronunciation enhancement.

#PreparedForSuccess

Upcoming Events:

Due to the current COVID-19 situation and Wright State University being open only to essential personnel, we currently have no in-person events scheduled. Remember, we are active on social media so please connect with us there!

We continue to work remotely and you can reach us via email: leapadmissions@wright.edu

Days and Times
Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Next Session
October 13 - November 19, 2020

Registration Deadline
Friday, October 2, 2020

Fee
$412.50 + cost of textbook
Wolf sold, 4th edition

For information or to register, email leapadmissions@wright.edu or call (937) 775-5287

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