

Accent Modification Program

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Who Can Participate?

- Ranked faculty in teaching positions
- Tenure track faculty
- Tenured faculty
- Post-Doctoral faculty in teaching positions (upon approval)

Objectives:

- Improve overall presentation skills
- Improve voice projection in the classroom
- Improve American intonation skills
- Improve pronunciation of difficult American vowels and consonants
- Improve classroom management skills
- Improve electronic communication skills

Enrollment:

Classes are conducted on an individual basis for 14 weeks.

Classes are free of charge and all materials are provided.

Class times are arranged at the convenience of the participant.

Enroll directly with Mrs. Vicki Hopgood at: hopgoodv@mst.edu

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Since its inception over ten years ago, 115 international faculty members from 26 countries have voluntarily participated in this class.

Accent modification classes are designed to advance cultural diversity and understanding by improving overall communication between students and faculty, increasing active participation in campus dialogue, and by promoting confident communication.

"This is an excellent source to improve communication skills. Vicki does an outstanding job in identifying the accent problems on an individual basis and comes up with viable approaches to fix them. Overall this program is very effective. I strongly recommend this program."

K. Chandrashekhara, Ph.D. (India)
Curators' Professor
Mechanical/Aerospace Engineering Department

"I learned quite a lot about many things and improved my English level significantly such as: pronunciation, grammar, communication skills, teaching, American culture, and so on. I am able to make my lecture well motivated and exciting, to structure the lecture clearly, to inspire the students and guide them. I will give my highest recommendation of this program to other new faculties."

Xiaodong Yang, Ph.D. (China)
Assistant Professor
Mechanical/Aerospace Engineering Department

"Basically I liked everything about this class! Just to mention few: recordings of personal word list, classroom observation and tips on how to improve lecture, friendless and warmth of instructor, the books used, weekly sheets prepared with a to-do-list for the week, e-mail tips, pre- and post-examinations with recordings, etc. It's just an invaluable resource for all international faculties."

Mahelet Fikru, Ph.D. (Ethiopia)
Assistant Professor
Economics Department