



Harvard Bridge Program
Professional Development Classes for Post-Doctoral Fellows
Center for Workplace Development
124 Mt. Auburn Street, 3rd Floor, Cambridge, MA 02138

Pronunciation:

This 12-week course has been designed for individuals who have a strong understanding of English grammar and are comfortable reading texts designed for native English speakers. This course provides direct instruction on how to improve pronunciation to be better understood by native English speakers. It is highly individualized, and students will receive a comprehensive pre- and post-evaluation of their speech patterns. The class will focus on identifying and correcting accented speech sounds and common pronunciation problems which contribute to misunderstood communication. Participants will be recorded and videotaped to track pronunciation advancements. Class presentations will also be assigned. Enrollment is limited to 6 students. Classes will meet for two hours twice a week. Pending enrollment, classes are scheduled at both the Cambridge and Longwood Campuses.

Communication:

This 10-week class is a follow-up to the Pronunciation Class and has been designed to offer students the opportunity to polish their speaking skills with a focus on clarity. It is based on the belief that critical self-reflection is the best way to make lasting changes related to pronunciation and communication skills. The class includes a continued focus on individual pronunciation issues and the modeling of learning tools that students can use for self-guided practice and improvement. In class, students speak in small groups on a variety of professional and social conversation topics, as well as give short presentations to the whole group. Outside of class they use self-evaluation and peer/instructor feedback to assess and monitor their progress. Enrollment is limited to 16 students. Classes meet once a week for two hours. Pending enrollment, classes are scheduled at both the Cambridge and Longwood Campuses.

Tuition & Fees:

Your tuition will depend on your position at Harvard:

- If you are a Post-Doctoral Fellow, paid directly by Harvard, and are eligible to receive benefits, you (or your PI) would only be responsible for an \$80 course materials fee. Please contact the Harvard Benefits Office at 617-496-4001 to confirm your eligibility for benefits.
- If you are a Harvard affiliated Post-Doctoral Fellow who is **not eligible** for benefits, you (or your PI) would be required to pay the full tuition. This is \$400 for Communication and \$800 for Pronunciation. The course materials fee is included in the tuition.

New students must complete an intake assessment. Placement in the appropriate class will be determined by the assessment results.

The fall 2017 semester is expected to begin the week of September 18. Schedule your assessment soon to insure a place in the class.

For more information or to schedule an assessment, please contact:

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