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Literacy Volunteers of Bangor

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Literacy Volunteers Offers English Language Tutor Certification

Bangor. Literacy Volunteers of Bangor (LV-Bangor) will offer **English Language Learner (ELL) Tutor Training and Certification** for individuals interested in working with non-native English speakers as they improve their verbal and written English skills and understanding of American culture and customs. The 20-hour course provides an overview of second language acquisition skills, understanding and working with cultural differences, teaching strategies and lesson planning. Prior teaching experience, foreign language skills and/or a degree in education are not required – successful tutors do have a passion for **helping others** and **making a difference** in their communities.

LV-Bangor's English Language Learner students come from many areas – Asia, Africa, Central and South America and Europe.

JANUARY SESSION

LOCATION: University Park, Old Town

COURSE SCHEDULE:

- Wednesday, January 7 6:00 – 7:00 pm
- Monday, January 12 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 14 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- Monday, January 19 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 21 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- Monday, January 26 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 28 6:00 – 9:00 pm

February 2 and February 4 – snow dates if needed.

Course Fees: \$25.00; scholarships available. Register by calling LV-Bangor at 947-8451 or visiting www.lvbangor.org or sending an e-mail of interest to lvbangor@utc.utc4.k12.me.us.

LV-Bangor, celebrating its 40th year of service to the Bangor community, links volunteer tutors with adults who want to improve their literacy skills. In FY 08 year, LV-Bangor volunteers provided 13,000 hours of service to adults with literacy barriers and currently has a waiting list for services.

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