

What programs are available?

SpeechPros Consulting offers individual, small and large group programs. Instruction is provided by a licensed Speech Language Pathologist.

Individual Training

Individual sessions provide customized weekly one-on-one instruction. The focus is on improving the production of specific speech sounds, language use, and learning and practicing the intonation patterns of American English.

Small Group Training

Weekly instruction is provided in small classes of 3 to 6 individuals. Group training is a cost-effective alternative to individual training which allows participants to learn from one another. (Diverse cultural backgrounds are welcome!)

Large Group Training and Workshops

SpeechPros Consulting provides customized accent modification training for groups of any size. Content is based on generalized participant needs but may include individual-focused break-out sessions.

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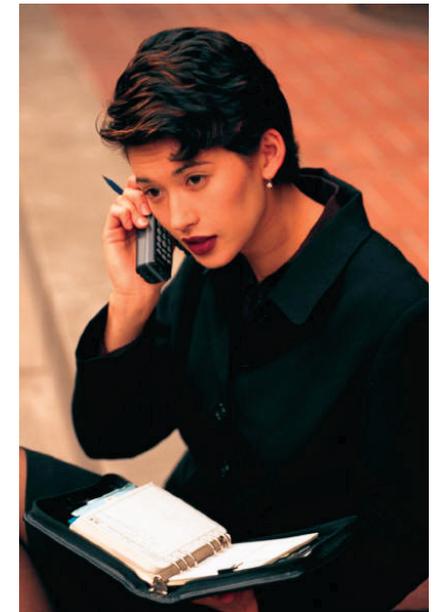
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Improve Your English Pronunciation



**Accent Modification
for
Students and Scholars**

ACCENT MODIFICATION

What is accent modification?

The goal of accent modification is to help individuals with mild or strong foreign accents, native speakers with regional dialects, or those in need of general speech improvement to develop clear pronunciation of English. Unlike English as a Second Language (ESL) programs, which target building English vocabulary and grammar, this program targets articulation and intonation (the sounds and rhythm of speech) which impact how well a person is understood.

Our training programs expand speaking capabilities and coordinate pronunciation, grammar, and comprehension components to maximize oral skills.

What can I expect?

- A personalized program based on a comprehensive analysis of speech production, intonation, and non-verbal communication
- Eight to twelve 1-hour weekly training sessions
- Improvement in intelligibility that is directly applicable to educational, business, and social settings
- A comprehensive set of practice exercises customized to your communication environment
- Approximately 50% improvement (based on pre- and post-program testing)*
- A tape recorded re-evaluation at the end of the program to assess improvement
- A self-study program for continuing improvement after completion of the course

* Expectations for success: At least 30 minutes of practice daily to maximize results

Who benefits from accent modification?

Accented speakers of any national or regional origin, students, scholars, their colleagues and family members.

Accented students take advantage of accent modification to enhance their educational experience. Improved production and comprehension of American English speech results in stronger academic performance and smoother transition into the social scene on campus. In addition, refined pronunciation skills increase students' marketability when seeking employment upon graduation.

Visiting scholars appreciate the opportunity to refine their English communication to further their careers in a global business environment. Our programs help with the pronunciation and rhythm of conversational speech, delivery of oral presentations, telephone skills and more!

Family members of students and scholars also find that their time in the United States is an excellent opportunity for furthering their English-speaking skills.

What are the program benefits?

- Improved classroom comprehension, participation and performance
- Effective oral presentation skills
- Stronger professional relationships
- Greater confidence
- Greater interviewing skills for students entering the workforce
- Greater ability to dialogue in an educational and business environment

Program focus:

- Intelligibility of sounds at word, sentence, and conversational levels
- Impact of non-verbal communication such as body language, personal space, and facial expressions
- Use of idioms, contractions, and articles of speech
- Rate, intonation, and volume of speech
- Basic presentation skills
- Core professional vocabulary
- Coordination with English as a Second Language (ESL) programming, as applicable.

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