Please take a moment to read these directions carefully.
The ELA Admission Committee will read your Application Essay to make a decision about admission to ELA. We read it carefully because we want to admit students who can benefit from ELA classes. **ELA does not have classes for beginners.**

- **You must write this statement by yourself,** without any help from others, including translation services or dictionaries.
- If you are admitted, you will write another essay on a different topic as part of the placement process when you arrive in Chicago. **If your writing samples show that you did not write the application essay by yourself, you may be dismissed for academic cheating.** Please do your own work.
- **Please write as much as you can** to give the Admission Committee a clear idea of your academic English level.
- **This is a chance to show us your best academic writing.**
- Write a statement in English about yourself. Describe the important events and influences in your life related to your education. Also describe your academic and professional goals. Please give details and reasons to support your statements.

**WRITE YOUR ESSAY BY HAND. DO NOT TYPE.**

Submit your completed essay to **ELA@depaul.edu**, by fax to 312-362-8301, or by post to the ELA office.

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Use additional pages as necessary.
Signature: The information on this application is my own work exclusively. I understand that any falsification may disqualify me for admission and enrollment at DePaul University’s English Language Academy. I understand that all records submitted by and on behalf of me become the property of DePaul University.

Signature of Applicant

Date of Signature (Month/Date/Year)