

# CUNY ESL DISCIPLINE COUNCIL

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Dear Ms. Linderman,

We are writing to you as co-chairs of the CUNY ESL Discipline Council and on behalf of our membership.

The CUNY ESL DC is a body of English as a Second Language program coordinators or directors who represent each of our 17 colleges, both senior and community, officially charged by CUNY Central to meet once a month to discuss issues that arise on our campuses regarding second language or multilingual students, instruction, assessment, testing policies and other curricula, educational and language-related concerns.

A few of our members have become aware of CUNY START programs on their campuses. They would like to better understand if CUNY START has any relationship to the existing University programs and goals for second language and multilingual students.

We would like to extend an invitation to you to join us at one of our meetings in order to provide our members with an opportunity to learn more about CUNY START, to ask questions related to the program, and its role (if any) in educating students of second, foreign or multilingual language background.

We would be grateful if you could let us know if you would consider our invitation and send us your availability for the meeting with either the entire ESL DC membership or with the co-chairs.

On behalf of CUNY ESL DC, we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
ESL DC Co-chairs

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