**Language Partners Program**

Are you studying a second language and interested in opportunities to converse with a native speaker? Are you a native speaker of a language other than English, and interested in practicing your English in exchange for conversing with an individual learning your native language? If you answered yes to either question, consider the Language Partners Program.

The Language Partners Program is an initiative of the Center for Language Studies which matches students learning a second language with international students who wish to improve their English skills. The two partners agree to spend an equal amount of time conversing informally in each language. The participating students decide among themselves when and how often they wish to get together. Because the arrangement is informal and partners choose whatever topics and mechanisms work best for them, these practice sessions involve minimal stress and pressure. Students learning a second language gain an opportunity to practice their skills with a native speaker outside the classroom, and international students find help honing their English while making the acquaintance of an American. The program encourages participants to share insights into each other’s cultural traditions, customs and values. The Language Partners Program is open to all members of the Brown University community, students, faculty, staff and visiting scholars. It is not necessary that partners be at the same level in their second language proficiency.

Interested individuals will be given a name and contact info of person looking for a partner. From there, you’re on your own! *Please note that while we make every effort to find you a partner, we cannot guarantee a suitable match.*

**Mail the application form to Center for Language Studies, Box 1982 or stop by the CLS office at 195 Angell St, (2nd Floor).**

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Name ____________________________________________ Phone____________________

Campus Box _________________________e-mail_______________________________

What is your native language? _____________________________________________

For what language are you seeking a partner? ________________________________

What discipline are you concentrating in?____________________________________

Please list some of your interests or hobbies. _________________________________

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