



English Plus Other Subjects

What is the aim of the course?

To improve your English Language skills in:

- reading
- writing
- listening
- speaking

To improve your skills in other subjects including:

- Art and Design
- It may be possible to organise a tailor-made course for you, depending on your level of English.

Who is the course for?

Students over the age of 16 who want to:

- improve their English Language skills (approximately 15 hours per week)
- study other subjects through English (approximately 10 hours per week)
- gain qualifications
- progress to other college/ university courses and/or employment in the UK, or another English speaking environment
- meet students from all over the world
- experience life in a British State college environment

What is the content of the course?

English Classes: You will be using language in a practical way and will have lessons concentrating on:

- reading and writing
- vocabulary and grammar
- listening and speaking
- life in the UK

One hour per week is for tutorials which are to help you with your individual learning needs. The maximum class size is sixteen.

Plus' classes: You will be studying your chosen subject and at the same time improving your English Language skills.

Sample timetable:

General English classes are held in the mornings. The 'Plus' classes will be held either in the afternoon or in the evening. On Wednesday afternoon the Students Participation Team offer a variety of sporting and other activities, eg film club.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09.00-11.00	General English/ *Core Skills				
11.00-11.30	Break				
11.30-12.30	Tutorial	Speaking/ Listening – language lab	Exam focus	Life in the UK	Project
13.30-15.30	Painting	Stained Glass	Sport (optional)	Jewellery	

*Core skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing plus vocabulary and grammar development.

What are the entry requirements?

This course is not suitable for you if

- your level of English is beginner or elementary
- you are applying for a Tier 4 Student Visa unless you have achieved IELTS 4.0 or equivalent

'Plus' programmes of study have different entry requirements depending on the 'Plus' subjects you intend to take.

Is there any form of assessment?

At the beginning of the course, you will have an assessment so that you will be placed in the best class for you. During the course, you will have to do homework every day.

Who is the awarding body?

English Language classes: University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate.

'Plus' classes: Various national awarding bodies or a College Certificate.

What qualifications will I gain?

English Classes: Depending on your level of English, you can take one or more nationally/internationally recognised qualifications. Any ESOL Skills for Life examination fees are included in the course fees. If you want to take the Cambridge PET/FCE/CAE or CPE examinations, you will have to pay the exam entry fee. Please see the Fees Information Sheet for approximate exam entry fees. Exams take place at specified times each year.

Plus' classes: You may be able to take an examination or assessment in your 'Plus' Subjects.

Do I need to provide any equipment?

You will need to buy a course book for each term. The cost for each book is about 15 GBP. You may need to buy some equipment for the 'Plus' classes.

When does the course start?

You need to join at the beginning of a term so that you can fully participate in the 'Plus' subjects you wish to study.

How long does the course last?

Term 1

Monday 5th September - Friday 16th December 2011

Half term break

Friday 21st October - Friday 28th October 2011

Term 2

Monday 9th January - Friday 30th March 2012

Half term break

Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February 2012

Term 3

Monday 16th April - Friday 29th June 2012

What facilities are available?

The College prides itself on providing a wide range of high quality resources and facilities which include:

- learning centre which provides books, newspapers, journals, CDs, DVDs and computer access
- language centre which provides specialised language learning resources and e-learning materials
- modern language laboratory
- well-resourced classrooms
- restaurant and cafeterias

What are the leisure and social/cultural activities?

Once a term, you will visit a place of national and/or local interest for example Oxford, Cardiff and places of interest in Bath as part of your study programme. A charge of 10 GBP is payable for each termly excursion. In addition, the College organises a variety of activities which you can take part in, some at an extra charge but many for free. These include local and national trips, healthy lifestyle events, films, sports activities, debates, theatre performances, volunteering opportunities and societies. The College organises some events specifically for international students but most are open to everybody, giving you the opportunity to meet many other students at the College. Sports activities, particularly football and table tennis are popular and a number of international students play in the College teams. The Student Participation Team welcomes ideas for activities, so if what you are interested in is not on offer we may be able to provide it.



What can I do after the course?

You can progress to a higher class and if your English is at the required level, you may be able to join other courses at the college and study in classes with English speaking students.

If you have the necessary qualifications and English Language skills, you can also progress to a range of courses at other colleges or universities.

Where can I get further information?

For advice or more details, please email:

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You can also visit:

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City of Bath College, Avon Street, Bath, BA1 1UP

You may also contact our **Student Advice Centre**

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