



Emerald Cultural Institute

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Guide to Adult Programmes

Face-to-face & Virtual Ireland and UK

2022



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Palmerston Park

Our Palmerston Park School is set in its own landscaped gardens overlooking the beautiful Palmerston Park. It offers students the chance to study English in a peaceful and stress-free environment with the city centre only a six-minute tram journey away. The original school building is a gracious Victorian mansion and we have enriched the campus by adding a specially designed modern building with additional classrooms and a large serviced canteen.

Covid-19 guidelines and measure have been put in place in our Palmerston Park school for the safety of students and staff.

Facilities and features Include:

Twenty-two modern classrooms

Interactive technology

WiFi access throughout the campus

Private landscaped garden with covered seating areas

Located in a prime residential neighbourhood within easy reach of Dublin city centre

Large serviced restaurant and coffee bar







Adult Programmes





General English & Examination Preparation Courses

Intensive Course

The Intensive Course covers the four basic skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing and is designed to improve communication in spoken and written English. The teachers provide learner-focused lessons which help build students' confidence, accuracy and fluency.

At a glance

Tuition: 20 X 60 minutes of group tuition per week

Times: 09.00-11.00 and 11.30-13.30 Monday to Friday

Class size: Maximum 14, Average 9

Minimum duration: 2 weeks

Age: 17+

Starts: Every Monday

Levels: *Beginner to Advanced (*Fixed Dates for Beginners)

Available face-to-face and online

Intensive Plus Speaking Skills

This course is designed to improve students' fluency in English. It allows students to develop their language skills in the morning lessons and put these skills into practice in the afternoon group conversation classes. The smaller conversation classes help to facilitate meaningful discussion within the group. Teachers concentrate on vocabulary building and idiomatic language, leading to more natural English speech.

At a glance

Tuition: 26 X 60 minutes of group tuition per week

Times: 09.00-11.00 and 11.30-13.30 Monday to Friday
14.15-16.15 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Morning Class size: Maximum 14, Average 9

Afternoon Class size: Maximum 9

Minimum duration: 2 weeks

Age: 17+

Starts: Every Monday

Levels: Pre –Intermediate (A2), Intermediate (B1), Upper Intermediate (B2)

Available face-to-face and online

Integrated Language Learning

Learn English and increase your employability with our 'Integrated Learning' curriculum based on 21st Century Skills such as collaboration, critical thinking and problem solving. Using these essential skills as a foundation, Emerald's expert in-house academic team have developed a series of Integrated Learning Workshops. Students will be challenged with developing their soft skills while continuing to improve their competency in English. Learn more about our modern approach to Integrated Language Learning [here](#).





Cambridge Examination Courses

Our Cambridge Examination Courses are taught by expert teachers who have a proven success record in preparing students for the First Certificate, Advanced and Proficiency Examinations. These courses concentrate on developing key examination techniques across all the language skills.

At a glance

Tuition: 20 X 60 minutes of group tuition per week

Times: 09.00-11.00 and 11.30-13.30 Monday to Friday

Simulated Speaking and Listening Test practice outside of scheduled class time

Class size: Maximum 14, Average 9

Course Duration: 6-12 weeks – see below

Age: 17+

Starts: Fixed Dates

Required Levels: FCE – CEFR B2/CAE – CEFR C1

Available face-to-face and online

Recognised Cambridge Examination Venue



CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH
Language Assessment
Part of the University of Cambridge

Cambridge Examination Course Dates:

First Certificate in English Course (FCE)

January 4th to March 4th (9 weeks)

March 14th to June 3rd (12 weeks)

July 4th to August 26th (8 weeks)

September 19th to December 9th (12 weeks)

Cambridge in Advanced English Course (CAE)

January 4th to March 11th (10 weeks)

March 14th to June 3rd (12 weeks)

September 12th to December 2nd (12 weeks)

Recognised Oxford Test of English Approved Centre

The Oxford Test of English is the only language proficiency test certified by the University of Oxford. An affordable, personalized test that can fit the needs of everyone.

It is 100% online and it consists in 4 modules: Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing. They can be taken together, on their own, or in any combination. The test is aligned to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) across 3 levels: A2, B1 or B2.

The test is available year-round.





IELTS Examination Courses

IELTS is the International English Language Testing System which tests English proficiency across the globe. The IELTS Examination Course focuses on developing key techniques and strategies for the IELTS Examination. Participants complete regular practice tests and are taught how to approach all the sections of the test effectively. Our Academic Team are available to assist with the application process for the IELTS Examination.

At a glance

Tuition: 20 X 60 minutes of group tuition per week

Times: 09.00-11.00 and 11.30-13.30 Monday to Friday

Simulated Speaking and Listening Test practice outside of scheduled class time

Class size: Maximum 14, Average 9

Minimum duration: 2 weeks

Age: 17+

Starts: Courses run on an ongoing basis

Available face-to-face and online

Levels: *IELTS Target Score 5-5.5, IELTS Target 6.0 – 6.5, IELTS Target 7.0+

*Entrance to any IELTS class is subject to an assessment test and a minimum entry level is required for each course.

Included in all general English and examination preparation courses

- Online placement test in advance of arrival
- Tuition (60 minutes per lesson)
- Interesting and stimulating supplementary course materials
- Exclusive Emerald-designed Integrated Language Learning (General English courses CEFR B1+)
- Seminars such as “Living and Working in Ireland” and “CV Preparation and Interviews”
- Rich and varied Social Programme
- Diploma on completion of course with personalised student report
- Exclusive access to Emerald student website with information and free learning resources

“ Just to let you know that Chloé got an IELTS 7 score, as she needed. We are very happy and we thank you very much for all your kindness and the excellent teaching too. ”

Sylvie, Parent – France



Academic Year Programmes

Our Academic Year Programmes can be structured to suit each individual’s requirements and a suitable study path is designed for the student based on the starting level, academic needs and learning objectives.

Flexibility is a key part of the programme, allowing students to combine different modules and courses within their Academic Year Programme. All our Academic Year students are monitored regularly throughout their programme by their academic mentor, their class teachers and the Director of Studies.

Unique Emerald Services

Academic mentoring system which provides students with advice and support to help in areas such as study planning, examination registration and preparation, career and further study opportunities

Career Guidance and Seminars such as “Living & Working in Ireland” and “C.V. preparation & interview techniques”

Free workshops

Free TIE preparation advice and support

Access to our online services

Flexibility to combine different modules and courses within the programme (morning options)

Integrated Language Learning

Access to our Emerald Learn Platform

At a glance

Tuition: Choice of 15, 20 or 26 hour programmes

Duration: From 25 to 35 weeks

Age: 18+

Starts: Every Monday, morning or afternoon classes

Levels:

AYP1: *Beginner to Advanced (*Fixed dates for beginners), 20 morning hours

AYP2: Pre-Intermediate to Advanced, 26 morning and afternoon hours

AYP3: Elementary to Advanced, combination of 20 and 26 morning and afternoon hours

AYP15: Pre-Intermediate to Advanced, 15 afternoon hours

Students of an appropriate language level may incorporate any of our afternoon options into their study programme.

*Academic Year Programmes may be subject to change as a result of updates to the current Immigration Guidelines and Procedures.

*Immigration regulations require all non-EU students to undertake a recognised examination at the end of an Academic Year Programme. Recognised Examinations accepted by Immigration include IELTS, Cambridge Examinations and the Test of Interactive English (TIE).







Pre-Sessional Foundation Programme

For students with a High School Diploma who want to go to an English speaking university or Higher Education Institute but need additional help to develop their English. Our programme offer a proven pathway to the Foundation Programmes in our Partner universities, including Trinity College Dublin and NCUK partner universities in Ireland and the UK. It is designed to get you to a minimum score of IELTS 5.0 or equivalent.

At a glance

Tuition: 20x60 minutes of group tuition per week;
OR 20x60 minutes of group tuition per week + 6X60 minute of small group electives.

Times:

Morning classes

Class 1: 09.00 -11.00 Break: 11.00 -11.30 Class 2 :
11.30 -13.30

Afternoon Electives

(26-hr programme) Tuesday – Thursday 14.15– 16.15

Duration: 3, 6 or 9 months

Class size: Maximum 14, Average 9

Age: 17+

Starts: Every Monday

Levels: A2 or minimum IELTS 3.5 (or equivalent)*

*The length of your Pre-Sessional English course will be determined by:

- Your current level of English (the lower your level, the more time you need)
- The entry level you require for your chosen programme

To decide how long you need to study with us (3, 6 or 9 months) you will take our pre-course written and oral assessment test with our Academic team.



Gap Year Academic Programme

Combine a semester studying at Emerald Cultural Institute with a semester at Maynooth University. University modules are from 34 academic departments over 3 faculties, including modules in Law, Business, History, Media, Engineering and Science. Receive ECTS Credits for your semester abroad. Students attending the Fall semester can also choose to attain a Certificate in International Business. During the first semester at Emerald Cultural Institute students will improve their English for academic purposes and will acquire the English skills needed to successfully follow their Study Abroad Programme.

At a glance

Tuition:

Gap Year Programme 1: 12 weeks English for Academic Purposes (20 hours General English + 6 hours of EAP per week) + Semester at Maynooth University

Gap Year Programme 2: 25 weeks Academic Year Programme (20 hours General English + 6 hours of Electives per week – IELTS/ EAP/ Business/ Communication) + Semester at Maynooth University

Class size: Maximum 14 for the English Course

Age: 18+

Levels: *Gap Year Programme 1

Level required: IELTS 6.0 (or equivalent)

Gap Year Programme 2

Level required: IELTS 5.5 (or equivalent)

*Application requirements for Maynooth University:

- GPA 2.6 (if below must supply two references)
- Transcript
- Passport

For more information about Maynooth University visit the **website**.

Gap Year Academic Programme Start Dates 2022:

Gap Year Programme 1 - Start Dates 2022:

Emerald: June 20th 2022 / Maynooth: September 12th 2022

Emerald: October 17th 2022 / Maynooth: January 23rd 2023

Gap Year Programme 2 - Start Dates 2022:

Emerald: January 10th 2022 Maynooth: September 12th 2022

Emerald: May 23rd 2022 Maynooth: January 23rd 2023

*All dates above are subject to change, with as much advance notice as possible given.



Virtual Programmes

Through use of the Hybrid Model, students can join a variety of our programmes in virtual format:

- Intensive
- Intensive Plus Speaking Skills
- Examination Preparation
- Tailored one-to-one and small group executive course

At a glance

Location: Learn English from the comfort of your own home

Duration: Minimum 1 week

Age: 16+

Class Size: Maximum 14

Timetable: a variety of timetables available to suit different time zones

Levels: From elementary to advanced

Emerald Learn

Free access to Emerald Learn, our dedicated e-learning platform:

- Engage in forum discussions
- Post social updates
- Work on your daily lessons

Course Type - 20 hours per week	Timetable	4 hours per day from Mon to Fri
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intensive Course OR • Exam Preparation -FCE or IELTS 	09:00 - 11:00 (GMT)	Class contact with teacher
	11:00 - 11:30 (GMT)	Break
	11:30 - 13:30 (GMT)	Class contact with teacher
Course Type - 10 hours per week	Timetable	2 hours per day from Mon to Fri
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intensive Course OR • Exam Preparation -FCE or IELTS 	9:00 - 11:00 (GMT) OR	Class contact with teacher
	11.30 - 13.30 (GMT)	
Course Type - 6 hours per week	Timetable	2 hours per day Tues, Wed & Thurs
Listening & Speaking Skills	14:15 - 16:15 (GMT)	Class contact with teacher



Features of our online lessons include:

Learn English and 21st Century professional skills, to improve both confidence and competence and achieve goals.

Access to our unique, dedicated Emerald Learn Platform

Access to e-books, audio, reading exercises, video, grammar and vocabulary as presented by the teacher

Teachers make use of features such as whiteboard and pair-work, break-out rooms and group-work settings allowing students to interact with each other

Teachers regularly assign and correct written work for all students



Executive/Individual Lessons

Our Executive/Individual Lessons have been designed for executive clients with unique learning needs. The programmes focus on maximising progress and achieving desired learning objectives in a short time frame.

Personal Intensive Course

This course is designed for the professional who wishes to concentrate on particular language skills or work on specific areas of English. The course is tailor-made to suit the exact requirements of the client and all participants complete a Needs' Analysis prior to their arrival.

At a glance

Tuition: 20, 25 or 30 X 60 minutes of individual tuition per week

Times: From 4 to a maximum of 6 hours per day Monday to Friday

Minimum duration: 1 week

Age: 21+

Starts: Every Monday

Available face-to-face and online:

Small group, executive courses are also available either in face-to-face or virtual format. The content and timetable are designed to meet clients' needs.





Teacher Training

A variety of practical courses have been specifically designed for non-native teachers of English at primary and secondary level:

- The Fun Lesson Creation Course: Primary-level
- The Energizer Master Course: Secondary-level
- CLIL Course: Secondary and late primary

At a glance

Tuition: 25 X 60 minutes per week including lessons, seminars and cultural activities (in-person);
20 X 60 minutes per week (online)

Times: 09.00–11:00 and 11.20–13.10 Monday to Friday
Afternoon seminars and cultural programme provided on designated afternoons and evenings

Class size: Maximum 15

Minimum number: A minimum number of participants is required

Minimum duration: One week

Starts: On Fixed Dates and on request for Closed Groups outside these dates

Available face-to-face and online

Tailor-made programmes for closed groups are also available. Courses are available in a fully face-to-face, blended or virtual format.



Erasmus + Funding

Qualifying participants can be funded by the Erasmus Plus programme.

How to Apply

We recommend that you contact your National Agency to see what your funding options are. You can also use EU resources on E+ funding.

Our PIC number is: 946742214

Organisation ID: E10127281



English Plus Internship

The English plus Internship Programme is the ideal option for our students who want to simultaneously improve their future career prospects by gaining valuable experience to include on a CV. This course combines a minimum of four weeks language study with a guaranteed internship of at least six weeks with real, hands-on work experience.

The Emerald Cultural Institute cooperates with our partner organisations who are specialised in the area of recruitment. We provide the Internship Programme course participants with an internship placement in an internationally recognised company, a national or a European organisation. Former placements have included the following sectors: Accounting, Administration, Architecture, Beauty, Preschool Education, Engineering, Environmental, Digital Media Marketing, Food & Beverage, Hairdressing, Hotels, Horticulture, Human Resources, Information Technology, Journalism, Landscaping, Law, Logistics, Marketing, Mechanics, Non Profit Organisations, Publishing, Retail, Sales, Sound Engineering, Telecommunications, Tourism.



At a glance

Tuition: 20 x 60 minute group tuition per week or 26 x 60 minute group tuition per week, depending on the chosen language course

Times: 09:00 - 11:00 and 11:30 - 13:30 Monday to Friday and depending on the chosen language course

Age: 18+

Class size: Maximum 14

Minimum duration: Minimum 4-week language course and 6-week internship

Starts: Every Monday

Level: A minimum language level is required (Intermediate CEFR B1)

Available face-to-face and online



Non-EU students registering with Immigration for a 25-week programme are eligible for the internship option during their official holiday periods.

Remote internship options are also available.



Accommodation options for Adults

Homestay

Staying with a host family gives you an excellent opportunity to **develop your language skills in a natural everyday context**, and is a very popular option with our students. The host family experience is one of the best ways for students to encounter the world-famous Irish hospitality and discover Dublin's lifestyle and culture.

Host family accommodation is available to both our junior and adult students in our Dublin locations with either a half-board option for our adults or full-board option for our juniors. **Our families are carefully selected and monitored by our in-house accommodation team.** Many of our host families have been a part of the Emerald experience for over 12 years, due to the dedicated assistance from our accommodation team and their ongoing communication with our homestay families.



Year-round residence

We provide a range of residence options in different locations across Dublin city.

These offer mainly **single rooms with private bathrooms in apartments with shared living and kitchen facilities**, social spaces and a variety of facilities and services are also available.

Please contact us to check rates and availability for our year-round residence options, before proceeding with booking a course.





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