

Certificate of English

The Certificate of English will give you the practical training to develop your core language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking English. It can be studied either as a part-time (20 lessons per week) option or a full-time (28* lessons per week) option, from two weeks up to 50 weeks.

COURSES ■ Certificate of English

The Certificate of English will help you improve all the key areas you need for greater fluency: essential grammar, pronunciation, colloquial language, idioms and vocabulary. There is a special focus on the integration of reading, writing, listening and speaking. When you first arrive, we will test your level of English and place you in a class best suited to your ability. You will use either a course book or Student Materials Pack as well as additional multimedia and real-life material. When you finish the course you will be much more confident and able to communicate effectively in real-life situations.

Standard (GE1)

20 lessons per week

If you want to combine English language study with work, sightseeing or an active social life, this is the option for you. This course focuses on General English. The timetable leaves you plenty of time or other interests outside the classroom.

You will benefit from the very best study environment featuring well-equipped, self-study learning centres. Your progress towards your own personal goal will be regularly assessed. We will give you reports on your development and ensure that the course always meets your personal objectives.

Note: This course is not available for holders of an Australian student visa.

KEY FACTS

Standard and Intensive

- Available in all centres
- Beginner to Advanced levels (levels for Intensive electives vary, see page 21). Beginners courses run in Brisbane, Melbourne, Gold Coast, Perth, New York, San Diego, Vancouver and Hastings, plus (summer only) Brighton and Oxford
- Course length: 2 to 50 weeks
- Start dates: every Monday
- Maximum class size: 15
- Lessons:
 - Standard (20 lessons per week) (50 minutes each)
 - Intensive (28 lessons per week)* (50 minutes each)
- Lessons may take place in the morning and/or afternoon
- Free university placement
- Books and course materials provided
- Certificate and report on successful completion of course

*30 lessons in Australia and New Zealand





Intensive (GE2)

28* lessons per week

This fast track choice is our most popular course. It offers the same thorough approach to language learning as the Standard option but is delivered on a full-time basis (28* lessons per week). It is ideal if you want to make maximum progress in the time you have available. You can also take optional study modules with practical outcomes, which will enhance your fluency or prepare you for your academic and career goals.

Special electives (see below)

These Intensive Course electives are specifically designed to help you achieve your goals: improve your fluency, gain qualifications, prepare for university or train for your career. Your Director of Studies will advise you in selecting electives to suit your needs and interests. Many options lead to practical outcomes such as credits towards Martin College Certificates and Diplomas or internationally recognized qualifications validated by Microsoft or Cambridge ESOL.

Note: Subjects may vary according to location and time of year. Exam and externally validated certificates are not included in course prices.

■ LANGUAGE ELECTIVES

- Pronunciation and Oral Fluency
- Grammar Workshop
- Idioms and Vocabulary
- Communication and Culture
- Writing Skills

Minimum level of English

- Beginner

QUALIFICATIONS

- Embassy CES Certificate in English

■ EXAMINATION PREPARATION ELECTIVES[^]

- Cambridge FCE/CAE/CPE Exam Preparation
- IELTS/TOEIC/TOEFL Preparation

Minimum level of English

- Intermediate

QUALIFICATIONS

- Cambridge ESOL Certificates
- TOEFL Certificate
- IELTS Certificate
- TOEIC Certificate

■ UNIVERSITY PREPARATION ELECTIVES

- English for Academic Purposes
- Auditing university lectures (available on request at many of our partner universities)
- Literature in English
- University Study Skills and Preparation
- Basic Maths Workshop

Minimum level of English

- Intermediate

■ CAREER-FOCUSED ELECTIVES

- English for the Workplace
- Business Studies
- Business English
- English for Tourism
- Information Technology

Minimum level of English

- Intermediate

QUALIFICATIONS

- London Chamber of Commerce and Industry Certificates
- University of Cambridge Business English Certificate (BEC)
- Microsoft Office Users Specialist (MOUS) Certificate
- Credits for Martin College courses
- Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) Certificate

[^]Examination Preparation Electives are subject to availability and there may be limited student demand at certain times. For a table of schools offering specific Examination Preparation Course start dates, see pages 22-23.