# Welcome to Melton College, York

For nearly 60 years students have come to Melton College to learn English and to live in one of Britain's most interesting cities.

We can offer you the space to relax, the peace to study and the assurance of quality that comes with experience. We teach in one building. You can be sure that this brochure honestly represents the location you will actually use.

We look forward to welcoming you!

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Elizabeth Hiley, Emeritus Principal & Andrew Hjort, Principal















## A family school

Melton College was founded in 1962 by Finn and Elizabeth Hjort. Since then it has evolved into one of the most respected language schools in the UK.

Finn was born in Copenhagen in 1924. During the war he was a member of the Danish Resistance where he navigated a boat between Denmark and Sweden saving refugees from the Nazi regime. At the end of the war he spent some time in the Danish Army which involved postings to Paris and to Nuremburg.

Elizabeth Hiley was born in Leeds. She studied French and English Literature at Trinity College, Dublin. After university Elizabeth taught English language and literature in West Yorkshire

Finn came to the UK after the war to study Russian at Cambridge. After graduation he was briefly a teacher near Leeds. It was there that he met Elizabeth Hiley and they were married in 1960. Finn and Elizabeth founded Melton College in 1962 and welcomed their first student in April 1963.

Elizabeth is a former Chairman of ARELS. She is also a former Chairman of FELCO, and of the ARELS Welfare Committee. She was a magistrate in York for 30 years and is a former Chairman of the York Bench.

Though officially retired, Elizabeth is still active in the College and takes a particular interest in welfare and our Gold Course. She has also known some of our hosts for over a quarter of a century!

Andrew joined the College in 1986 and has been Principal since 2003. He studied Philosophy and Linguistics at University College, Bangor, where he did research on the use of essays in placement tests. He also studied teaching English as a second language or foreign language, during which time he worked in Birmingham and Valencia (Spain).

Andrew was a member of ARELS General Council for four years, chaired ARELS Sub-Committee on Criteria and was the ARELS representative on the Accreditation Scheme Review Committee. He is now Chair of the English UK Accreditation and Professional Services Board and is also Co-ordinator of English UK North.

Finn died in June 2005 but the College continues to welcome students from all over the world, a fitting tribute to a man who placed great value on language and communication as a force for good.







# The place to learn English

### Melton College is based in a beautiful building with a large garden.

The College is in a quiet residential part of the City, close to the old centre but away from the crowds.

Over the years we have developed our building and grounds to suit the changing needs of our students. All our main classrooms have interactive whiteboards, we have Wi-Fi throughout the building and on the terrace and we have iPads for our students to use for self-study.

In our beautiful garden, students can study in peace, play tennis, volleyball, basketball and table tennis or just relax!

The grounds, including the sports facilities, are private and for the exclusive use of our students! Entry is controlled, either through the College or through our courtvard.







All students are given a Melton E-learning account. Melton E-learning helps students plan their studies, keep in touch with other students and participate fully in College life.

Students keep their account for three months after they leave. Parents of students under 18 can ask for their children not to have a Melton E-learning account.

The account can be accessed from any tablet, computer or phone on the Melton College website via the Student Login Button.

The Melton College website is also a fantastic source of information for students and parents.



#### **KEY POINTS**

Modern, well-equipped classrooms

iPads for student use

Library

Large conservatory

Free sports facilities

Café

Free Wi-Fi access





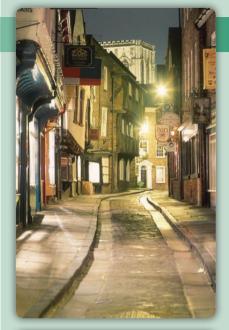
# The wonderful City of York

Melton College is in the beautiful City of York. Students can take full advantage of the City in their free time, for shopping, socialising and sightseeing.

York was an important city for the Romans, Saxons, Vikings and Normans. Later it was, for a time, the capital of England and is still the capital of the North. Surrounded by its medieval walls, the old centre is dominated by the awe-inspiring 13th century Minster, the largest Gothic cathedral in Northern Europe.

Today, York is a vibrant university city, packed with restaurants, cafés, English pubs, bars and shops, all a short walk or an even shorter bus ride from the College. For entertainment, there are theatres and cinemas, nightclubs and live music.

York is full of interesting specialist shops, from arts and crafts to famous high street fashion stores. For the more active, York offers golf and tennis, horse riding and rowing, swimming pools and sports centres.

















## Getting to York

### Easy access from airports and the rail network.

York is situated on the main North-South rail route, giving fast and easy access to London and Edinburgh. York also has an excellent rail link to Manchester Airport. Students can get on a train inside the airport building and travel directly to York.

#### Waiting times.

Students may be expected to wait for up to 4 hours at the airport from the published landing time of their aircraft plus the time to clear customs. Melton College arranges transfers on the understanding that students should arrive at the airport for check-in 120 minutes before their flight.

#### Homestay Extra Transfer Service.

Our Transfer Service is part of Homestay Extra, available to all students and mandatory for students under 18. The service runs between fixed times (see below). For 2 hours before or after these times we charge a supplement. At all other times or if using other airports we charge the standard taxi rate (see page 32).

EDINBURGH

LIVERPOOL

NEWCASTLE

DURHAM TEES VALLEY

LEEDS

YORK

EAST MIDLANDS

LUTON >

GATWICK

Arriving at Leeds or Manchester Airports, students will be greeted as they emerge from baggage collection.

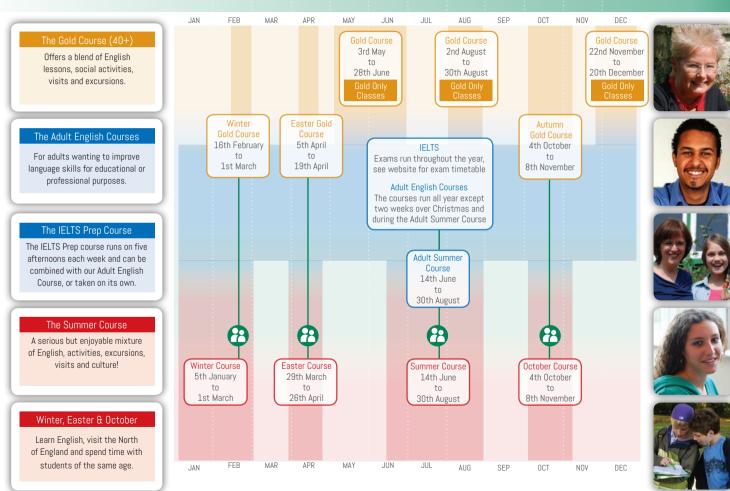
Once they have met the representative from Melton College, there will always be a member of staff in the airport until the transfer service leaves.

Students travelling as 'unaccompanied minors' pay a supplement.

SUNDAYS ONLY				
ARRIVAL	HOMESTAY EXTRA TRANSFER*	£75		
Leeds Bradford Airport	07:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 20:00	20:00 - 22:00	
Manchester Airport	07:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 18:00	18:00 - 20:00	
DEPARTURE	£75	HOMESTAY EXTRA TRANSFER*	£75	
Leeds Bradford Airport	08:00 - 10:00	10:00 - 19:00	19:00 - 21:00	
Manchester Airport	08:00 - 11:00	11:00 - 18:00	18:00 - 20:00	

<sup>\*</sup> Early arrival & late departure supplement £75.

#### 2020 MELTON COLLEGE COURSE OVERVIEW CALENDAR



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## Adult English

**EXAM ENGLISH FOR B2-C1 STUDENTS** 

Our Coursebook based Adult English Courses have a General English focus for students at A1-B1 and an exam focus for our students at B2-C1.

Our programme includes a balance of grammar, speaking, reading, listening and writing.

Our Adult English Course offers either 15 hours tuition each week (morning only, following a General English Coursebook) or 22.5 hours of tuition each week where, in addition to the morning tuition, the carefully structured afternoon programme includes extra reading, listening practice, speaking skills (including student-led presentations) study skills to help you make the most of your course and, if taking an exam, practice and coaching.







TIMETABLE	Adult English (22.5hrs)
09:15 -10:00	Lesson 1
10:15 - 11:00	Lesson 2
11:15 - 12:00	Lesson 3
12:15 - 13:00	Lesson 4
13:45 - 14.30	Lesson 5
14:45 - 15.30	Lesson 5



#### **COURSE KEY POINTS**

Minimum Age	18
Maximum Age	n/a
Maximum Class Size	14
Average Class Size (2019)	8

Most of the Adult English Course students are aged 23+. Older students are welcome to join throughout the year.

We accept students aged 16/17 subject to additional welfare and safeguarding criteria.





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Our programme includes a balance of grammar, speaking, reading, listening and writing.

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### The Adult Summer Course

Melton College is a great place to spend a few weeks in the summer. It's an exciting city, with plenty to occupy students participating on The Adult Summer Course.

The summer timetable is a balance of grammar, reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. After lessons, students can choose from our after-class activities.

On three evenings each week we arrange activities and we have a series of optional extra evening events (for a small additional payment) in the City.

Adult Summer Course students can choose homestay or stay in Bishop's, our residence, next to The College.

#### Lessons Out.

York is a really great city for students with lots to see and learn from in the streets, museums and historic buildings. To make the most of this, one afternoon each week may be based in a museum, an attraction or involve an activity in the City.

#### **COURSE KEY POINTS**

Minimum Age	18*
Maximum Age	-
Maximum Class Size	14
Average Class Size (2019)	12
Tuition Per Week	22.5 hours







\*Summer Course students aged 16 or older, often share classes with Adult Summer Course students.



Included in fee

Small additional charge

# Exams & IELTS Preparation

#### Melton College is a major IELTS and Cambridge English Exam centre.

**IELTS Exams** 

We run paper-based and

computer-delivered IELTS (CD

visit our website for details.

IELTS) throughout the year. Please

We run exams for our own students and other schools and colleges in the area. Melton College students have the advantage of taking their exam in familiar surroundings. They are also guaranteed their first-choice exam date.

#### **IELTS Preparation**

Throughout the year we run a 7.5 hour IELTS Preparation Course. This can be taken separately or with the Adult English Course.







TIMETABLE	IELTS Preparation
15:30 - 16.15	Lesson 7
16:15 - 17.00	Lesson 8

#### Cambridge Exams

We run Cambridge mainsuite exams. Please visit our website for details.



#### **COURSE KEY POINTS**

Minimum Age 18 (16 if on an	other course)
Maximum Age	n/a
Maximum Class Size	14
Average Class Size (2019)	4
IELTS Tuition Per Week	7.5 hours
FCE / CAE Tuition Per Week	22.5 hours



### The Summer Course

Melton College is a great place to spend a few weeks in the summer. York is safe, big enough to be interesting, small enough to be friendly.

The summer timetable is a balance of grammar, reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. After lessons, students can choose from our after-class activities including; an English Clinic, writing and speaking clubs, literature and craft work or enjoy the College sports facilities

On three evenings each week we arrange activities and we have a series of optional extra evening events (for a small additional payment) in the City.

Students on our Summer Course are automatically on 'Homestay Extra', this includes full-board, a local bus pass, if needed, and airport transfers.\*

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#### **COURSE KEY POINTS**

Minimum Age	11 (10 with parents)
Maximum Age	17
Maximum Class Size	14
Average Class Size (2	2019) 12
Tuition Per Week	22.5 hours







During the period covered by The Summer Course, students aged 16 or 17 may share classes with Summer Course students.

\*Students in their own accommodation pay a small supplement to cover

full-board and local transport.





Included in fee

Small additional charge

# The Family Gold Course

#### English for the whole family!

The Family Gold Course is open to anyone aged 40 and above who wants to learn English and bring their family to learn English too! The Course offers a blend of English lessons, social activities, visits and excursions, Except in August, Family Gold Course students share classes with Adult English Course students.

As one of Europe's most historic cities. York, with its rich cultural life is an ideal location for families wishing to learn English together.

York and the surrounding area host a huge choice attractions for all tastes from historic attractions and museums, to shopping and great places to eat out.

The Gold Course Afternoon Programme ensures that participants see as much as possible of York and some of the surrounding area. On free afternoons we can suggest and arrange additional visits and activities.

The Course finishes with a farewell meal at York's best restaurant, a great way to end a memorable stay.

#### AFTERNOON PROGRAMME (EXAMPLE) - for all other programmes see website.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Monday	York City Walls	York's Snikelways	Taste of Yorkshire Lunch	Halls & Churches Tour
Tuesday	York Minster	Yorkshire Food	Jorvik Centre	Yorkshire Drink
Wednesday	Free Afternoon	Free Afternoon	Free Afternoon	Free Afternoon
Thursday	Harewood House	White Horse & Afternoon Tea	Castle Howard	Harrogate
Friday	Free Afternoon	Free Afternoon	Free Afternoon	Farewell Lunch at Melton's
Saturday	The Yorkshire Coast with Fish & Chips	Malham & Grassington	The Royal Armouries & Leeds	Scarborough

Minimum Adult Age	40
Maximum Adult Age	n/a
Minimum Child Age	10
Maximum Child Age 17 (or if stil	l at school)
Maximum Class Size	14
Average Class Size (2019)	6
Tuition Per Week	15 hours

Family Gold Course participants are welcome to join the activities run for our Young Learners' Courses running at the same time.



All Courses include the Gold Course Afternoon Programme

### The Gold Course

#### Improve your English and enjoy a great city!

The Gold Course is open to anyone aged 40 and older who wants to learn English and spend time in the company of like-minded adults. The Course offers a blend of English lessons, social activities, visits and excursions.

Providing we have 4 or more students at a given level we provide Gold only classes.

As one of Europe's most historic cities, York, with its rich cultural life is an ideal location for courses for older students.

The traffic free centre has a huge choice of bars and restaurants; as well as one of the best selections of shops in the north of England.

The afternoon and evening programme ensures that participants see as much as possible of York and some of the surrounding area. On free afternoons we can suggest and arrange additional visits and activities.

The Course finishes with a farewell meal at York's best restaurant, a great way to end a memorable stay.

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Maximum Class Size	14
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Tuition Per Week	15 hours







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## Melton College Family Courses

Melton College is the ideal choice for your family English course! We run four Family Gold Courses where the Gold Course runs at the same time as Young Learners' Courses.

Our courses all run in the same building so you and your children will be close enough for reassurance, but still able to be independent and to follow a course that suits each of you!

York is a great family city with a wonderful historic heart to explore, an exciting range of attractions and great shopping!

You can choose to stay in homestay accommodation, or stay in Bishop's, our residence, next to the College.



Adult family members get:

### Transfers

at no extra cost!







#### **KEY POINTS**

Courses are all in the same building Bishop's Residence is open to families Free transfers for parents

Family Courses are only available at the same times as Young Learners' Courses.



#### Young Learners' Courses

Students aged  $10+\sim 17$  (or still at school)

Adults can choose to join either an Adult English Course, an Adult Summer Course or a Gold Course.

Adult Course

Students aged 18+

Gold Cours

Adults aged 40+

## Residential Accommodation

We are delighted to announce the launch of our new student hotel, Bishop's next door to the College!

Formerly York's top Bed and Breakfast Hotel (winner of the Visit York Tourism awards "Best B&B"), Bishop's is offered exclusively for the use of our adult students and families!

Bishops has 12 en-suite rooms, a mix of double rooms (some twin), singles and also family rooms. All rooms have a TV and WiFi access. Bedding and towels are, of course, provided. It is located directly next to the College, making it the most ideal location for all our course participants.

Children are welcome if staying with a parent. We have some double rooms with an additional bed, as well as some family rooms (double rooms with a single room

#### Meals at Bishop's

Bishop's will be offered on a bed and breakfast basis. A continental breakfast will be available every morning.

For evening meals, Bishop's will have the option of self-catering, or students can buy meal vouchers for The Chopping Block restaurant.

#### Cost to staying at Bishop's

The price will depend on the length of stay, starting from £50 per night for the first week. In the second week, the price per night drops to £45 and from the third week the price is just £40 per night!

For the second occupant (partner, friend, child) the price for the first week is £30 per night, the second week £27.50 per night and the third week an incredible £25 per night!







## Homestay Accommodation

We believe that staying in local homes, carefully selected by the College, gives students a great opportunity to practise their English.

The College has about 140 homestay hosts, some within walking distance of the College, ready to welcome students into their homes. Students under 18 may be expected to share a room. Students live as part of the household and share meals and facilities with the household.

We have many different types of host; families with children, couples and single people. We are always willing to try and help with requests.

#### Standard Homestay.

Our standard homestay includes bed, breakfast and evening meals and lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

#### Homestay Extra.

Homestay Extra (mandatory for students under 18 and all Winter, Easter, Summer and October Course students) includes full-board, airport transfers from Leeds or Manchester and a bus pass, if necessary.

#### Additional services.

Students over 25 can request a private bathroom for an additional fee. For our younger students, we offer, for an additional fee, a 'school-run service' where the host will deliver and collect their student from College every day.





