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# ACET

ACTIVE CENTRE *of* ENGLISH TRAINING

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CORK LANGUAGE CENTRE  
INTERNATIONAL



English Language Courses

Cork, Ireland

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## WELCOME

To improve your English language skills, you need a professional language organisation where academic excellence is of prime importance.

Since our foundation in 1975, we have developed the expertise to help you to achieve your language learning objectives. We are proud of the international reputation our courses enjoy and the attention we devote to each student.

In selecting ACET, you are investing in a quality service. We guarantee you academic excellence, accommodation of the highest standard and an unrivalled support service.

We base academic success on understanding your learning needs. Teachers integrate your objectives into the course content and carefully monitor your progress to ensure your course is challenging and objectives are met.

You have many opportunities to enjoy a uniquely enriching cultural experience during your time in Cork. Our stimulating social programme gives you the opportunity to make friends with people from all over the world. Living in an Irish home gives you an unforgettable insight into the Irish way of life.

Throughout your time in Cork, you have the support of our dedicated and friendly administration staff who ensure that your stay is enjoyable and rewarding.

Odile Migieu, CEO

## IRELAND & CORK

- Discover Ireland's great beauty of rugged mountains, blue lakes, ancient castle's, long sandy beaches and picturesque harbours.
- Study English in the country that produced Jonathan Swift, Oscar Wilde and James Joyce along with four Nobel Prize winners W.B. Yeats, George Bernard Shaw, Samuel Beckett and Seamus Heaney.
- Discover Cork's hills & steps, quays & bridges, Georgian houses, famous cathedrals, spires and pedestrian walkways.

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- Experience our famous festivals including the Guinness Jazz Festival, Bantry Mussel Fair, Cork International Film Festival, & Cork Midsummer Festival to name but a few!
- Explore the world's second largest natural harbour, including a visit to the last stop for the Titanic, a Sea Safari, sailing, fishing and experience the world-famous sailing event Cork Week.

## **LEARNING EXPERIENCE**

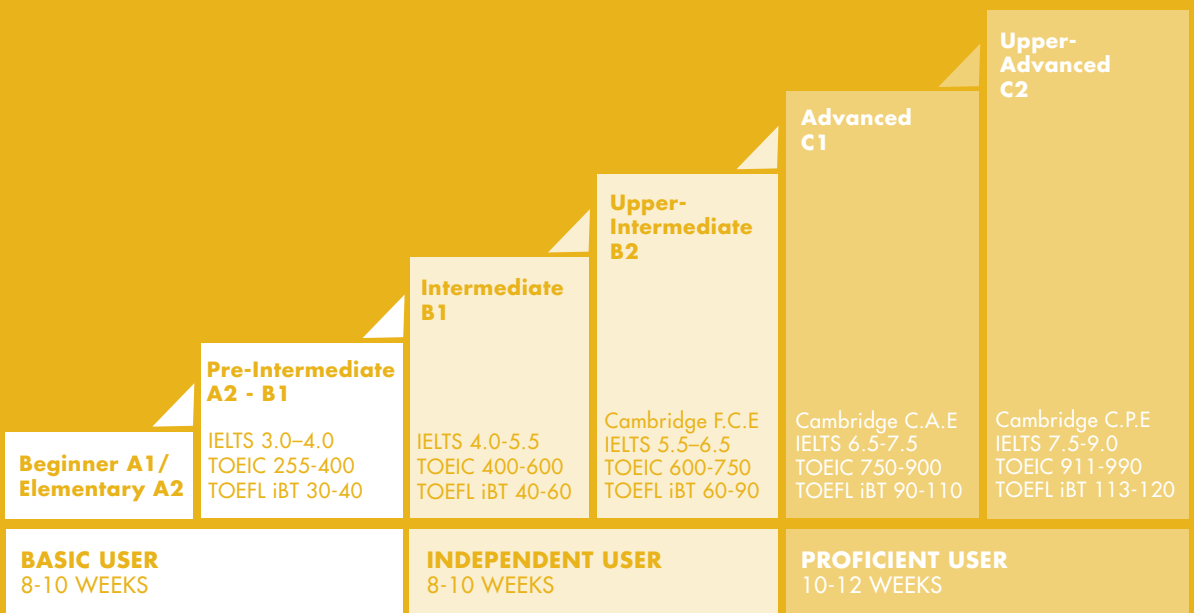
- Benefit from the experience of our teaching team and our commitment to quality which has been developed since the foundation of the school in 1975.
- Work with your teachers to develop and regularly review learning objectives based on your language needs.
- Our teachers are university graduates who are qualified to teach English as a Foreign Language.
- We have a language counselling service to clients which offers advice to clients on overall language learning techniques and examination selection, in addition to supplementary exercises.
- Our lessons incorporate the use of innovative teaching methods along with the use of interactive whiteboards and laptops.
- We have a comfortable study room equipped with self-access files, library and digital language laboratory where you further develop your English language skills.
- Clients receive a Certificate of Achievement which states the level of English and length of course.
- Clients can also participate in our organised enjoyable social activities which allow you to develop friendships with students from other cultural backgrounds.

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## BUILDING YOUR LEVEL OF ENGLISH

This is a guide only. The hours of study required will vary depending on several factors, such as the learner's background, the intensity of the study, the inclinations and age of the individuals as well of the amount of study/exposure outside of lesson times.



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## STUDENT SERVICES

The ACET Team has many years of experience with clients from different countries, cultures and age groups.

- Our Administration Team advises you on which course and accommodation will best suit your needs. The team also offer you assistance with opening a bank account and dealing with immigration, along with local information.
- Our Accommodation Advisors ensure you settle in your accommodation. They are available to help you with all matters relating to your accommodation. Accommodation is carefully selected to ensure a comfortable and caring environment.
- Our Student Welfare Officer ensures your welfare and is available if you are experiencing any problems or difficulties and wish to seek advice.
- Our Social Programme Organiser coordinates a varied social programme to give you the opportunity to practice your language skills while making friends from other language backgrounds. They also provide extensive information to help you choose the right activities.

## ENROLMENT

- You can enrol by completing our easy to use enrolment form on our website at: **[www.acetireland.ie/booking.html](http://www.acetireland.ie/booking.html)**
- You can also contact us at **[info@acetireland.ie](mailto:info@acetireland.ie)** and we can send you an enrolment form for you to complete and return.
- You can also enrol with one of our representatives in your country.

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## **PAYMENT**

- A deposit of €190 is required to secure your booking. The balance of fees should then be paid two weeks prior to your arrival in Cork.
- You may pay your fees by credit card through PayPal or by bank transfer. Please contact **info@acetireland.ie** for more details.

## **CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT**

- We confirm your dates, your choice of course and accommodation within 24 hours of receipt of your completed enrolment form and deposit.
- We issue information about your arrival and accommodation two weeks

## GENERAL ENGLISH COURSES

- Small class numbers, average 8 – 10 students (maximum 12)
- 7 Levels (Beginner to Advanced)
- Courses start every Monday and clients choose the number of weeks
- Dedicated and creative teachers using up-to-date methodologies and technologies
- Course are learner-centred to develop communication skills & learning strategies
- Weekly progress test & personal tutorial

### ■ Standard course

- 20 tuition hours per week

### ■ Intensive course

- 26 tuition hours per week - the extra 6 hours intensify the learning experience and focus on practical communication skills.

## AFTERNOON COURSES OPTIONS

Afternoon Course Options are booked in conjunction with a Standard Course

### ■ Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC)

- 4 hours per week
- Tests English proficiency in an international working environment
- Minimum level: B1/Intermediate

### ■ International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

- 4 hours per week
- Recognised as a language requirement for entry to a university or college in Ireland
- or Great Britain
- Minimum level: B2/Upper-Intermediate

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## ■ Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT)

- 4 hours per week
- Recognised as a language requirement for entry to a university or college in Ireland
- or Great Britain
- Minimum level: B1/Intermediate

## ■ Individual Tuition

- Any number of hours per week
- Lessons tailored to suit your individual need
- Any level

## ■ English for the Workplace

- 6 hours per week
- Skills needed for communication in the world of business
- Minimum level: B1/Intermediate

## CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION PREPARATION COURSES

- Small class numbers, average 8 – 10 students (maximum 12)
- Highly qualified teachers
- Consistently high success rates

## ■ Cambridge Examination Courses (FCE, CAE, CPE)

- 20 tuition hours per week
- Small class numbers, average 8 – 10 students (maximum 12)
- Levels Intermediate to Advanced
- Preparation for the five components of the examinations (reading, writing, use of English, listening and speaking)
- Pre-test prior to arrival
- Teachers are experienced Cambridge examiners
- Authorised Cambridge ESOL test centre

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## EXECUTIVE AND PROFESSIONAL COURSES

- 25 tuition hours per week + 5 lunch hours with tutor
- One week course
- Small class numbers, average 4 students (maximum 6)
- Designed for professionals who wish to achieve maximum progress
- Small international groups, ensuring a high degree of participation and cross cultural awareness
- Highly interactive and based on extensive use of problem solving, stimulating role plays and realistic case studies
- Components of the course include conducting meetings and discussions, making presentations, dealing with facts and figures, interviewing, negotiating techniques, management styles and leadership, describing trends as well as a choice of stimulating topics such as sales and marketing, human resources, quality management and cross-cultural issues
- Needs analysis questionnaire allows us integrate your personal objectives into the course
- Levels Intermediate to Advanced
- Minimum age 23

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES FOR OVERSEAS TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

- 25 tuition hours per week
- Two week course
- Needs analysis questionnaire allows us integrate your personal objectives into the course
- We have over 25 years' experience in teacher training
- All courses are recognised by the European commission as qualifying for Comenius Funding

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## ■ Refresher Course for Non-Native Teachers

- Balanced programme of methodology, classroom resourcing, current theory, cultural exposure & language enrichment
- Provides participants with new activities, new skills and new techniques
- Participants are introduced to Irish life and culture through a series of lectures, visits and excursions

## ■ Teaching Knowledge Test Course (TKT)

- Prepares teachers to sit the TKT exam and give foundation in the methodology of Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- Course participants explore teaching methodologies, lesson planning, and classroom management.
- All participants on our teachers' courses are also eligible to avail of Comenius funding to take the TKT test in Cork

## ■ Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)

- The aim of the course is to improve participants' command of English for the classroom and to identify the principles of effective practice in CLIL.
- Course participants explore teaching methodologies, lesson planning, syllabus design, assessment procedures and classroom management.

## GOLD PROGRAMME

- 15 tuition hours per week
- Small class numbers, average 8 – 10 students (maximum 12)
- Courses start 11 June 2012 & 10 September 2012
- 2 week course
- Highly qualified teachers
- Developed to suit the over 50s age group
- Special programme combining enjoyable language practice while discovering Ireland and in particular, Cork and its culture

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## PATHWAY UNIVERSITY PROGRAMME

- 24 tuition hours per week
- Small class numbers, average 8 – 10 students (maximum 12)
- Course duration of 3 months (September to December), 6 months (January to June), 9 months (September to June)
- Highly qualified teachers
- Intensive training in English for academic purposes
- Counselling and advice for third level application procedures

## INDIVIDUAL TUITION

- Any number of hours per week
- You choose the number of weeks
- Needs analysis questionnaire allows us integrate your personal objectives into the course
- You benefit from skills development in the areas of writing, presentations, meetings, telephoning and negotiating.
- Areas that can be covered by our expert tutors include: English for Marketing, English for Banking and Finance, English for the Hotel / Hospitality Sector

### ■ English for Marketing:

- Customer needs & the marketing process
- Segmentation
- Products & brands
- Pricing
- Advertising
- Sales promotions
- Relationship marketing

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## ■ English for Banking & Finance:

- Credit analysis & rating methods
- Making professional presentations
- Communicating with financial analysts
- Dealing with investors
- Discussing mortgages

## ■ English for the Hotel/Hospitality Sector:

- Handling complaints
- Checking-in
- Dealing with guests' enquiries
- Phone calls
- Responding to & writing emails

## ACCOMMODATION

We are proud of our accommodation quality standards developed over the years. Whether you select the cultural experience of living in a homestay or the independence of an apartment or a hotel, you can be sure of the highest standards are met.

You can choose from the following options:

- Living in an Irish home. Living in an Irish home is an excellent way of improving your English and experiencing everyday life in Ireland. You are accommodated on a half board basis from Monday to Friday and on a full board basis at the weekend.
- Living independently in an ACET Apartment. Our contemporary apartment complex is located 10 minutes' walk from the school and the city centre.
- Living in an international community in a Student Residence Apartment. You have a single room in an apartment which you share with other students.
- Guest Houses & Hotels for extra luxury and flexibility. ACET has special arrangements with guest houses and hotels. We can help you to find a hotel to suit your preferences within walking distance of the school.

# Mission Statement

ACET's main objectives are to provide English Language Training to a level above International Standards in a positive and inclusive client-centred environment, with a range of support services to enable clients to improve their English and enjoy their stay in Ireland. All employees of ACET are given the support and authority necessary to maximise the level of customer satisfaction.

ACET embraces the responsibility for the social, economic and environmental impacts of its activities. ACET employees use strategies to develop social responsibility and guide the company in a positive direction.

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