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What is the CELTA?

The Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (CELTA) is the most widely recognised qualification in EFL teaching internationally. The award is validated by Cambridge Assessment English who set the guidelines and criteria for centres running these courses.

The course takes place over a minimum of 120 hours and can be studied full time over 4 weeks or part time over 10 weeks.

Who are Centre of English Studies?

Centre of English Studies (CES) was established in 1979, and has won a well-deserved international reputation as one of the leading English language schools in Canada, the United Kingdom and Ireland. We offer year-round language courses for both adults and juniors, and summer language courses for young learners.

In 2023, students from more than 85 different countries chose to study English with Centre of English Studies.

CES is recognised as a full member of IALC (International Association of Language Centres) and many of our schools are also accredited by EAOUALS (European Association of Quality Language Centres).

Why choose us for your CELTA?

When Centre of English Studies opened our Edinburgh school in 2015, we put teacher training and development at the very heart of what we set out to offer. In the past eight years we have helped hundreds of CELTA trainees go on to achieve their teaching dreams across the globe, and we are proud to include several of our graduating students amongst our own academic team.







Our location

Centre of English Studies Edinburgh is located in Manor Place, a short ten minute walk from Princes Street. The school is easily accessible by bus and tram, with Haymarket train station close by.





In the breaks between lessons, trainees can relax in our spacious school common room, enjoy the sunshine in our private garden, or stroll round the gardens of the nearby St. Mary's Cathedral.



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Course Dates

Full Time Face-to-Face Courses 2024

15 January - 09 February

27 May - 21 June

05 August - 30 August

07 October - 01 November

Part Time Online Courses 2024**

08 January - 22 March (WE)

10 February - 27 April (WD)

01 April - 14 June (WE)

01 July - 13 September (WE)

14 September - 30 November (WD)

30 September - 13 December (WE)

Full Time Online Courses 2024

19 February - 22 March

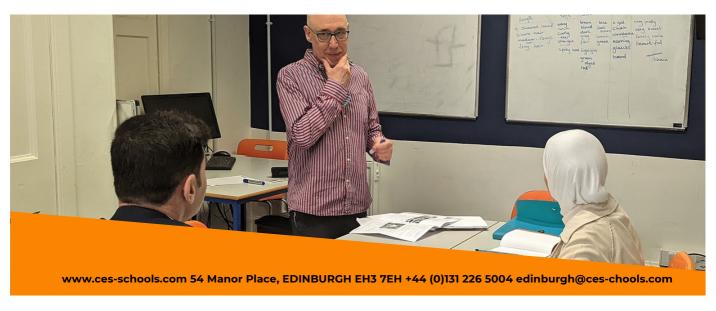
03 June - 05 July

11 November - 13 December

24 Week Online Course 2024***

17 January - 26 June 03 July - 11 December

^{***} Teaching practice takes place every second Wednesday morning or evening



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^{**}WD - Teaching Practice takes place weekday evenings

^{**}WE - Teaching Practice takes place on Saturday, Sunday or Monday



Course Fees

Face-to-Face Courses £1545 5/10 Week Online Courses £1355 24 Week Online Courses £1460

The fees include: £300 deposit, the Cambridge fee, course material and the registration fee)

Deposit £300 non-refundable

Entry Requirements

The minimum age to enrol is 18 although it is generally recommended that you are aged 20 or over.

A degree is preferred as some countries require a degree for visa purposes. If you don't have a degree then you should have a standard of education that would allow you entry into Higher Education.

You should have an awareness of language and a competence in both written and spoken English that enables you to follow the course and complete the assignments set throughout the course.

Non-native speakers are required to have a competency level at C1/2 level and certification of this should be provided (e.g. Cambridge Proficiency Exam or IELTS 8.0).





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Frequently asked questions

What can I do with a CELTA?

The CELTA enables the bearer to teach English as a foreign language both in the UK and abroad and is often the minimum requirement sought by employers. A CELTA qualification is required if you wish to teach in a British Council-accredited school.

How long does the course take?

The full time course is a minimum of 120 hours over four weeks. Class hours in the school run from 09.00 to 17.00 and in the evenings you will be asked to prepare lessons for the following day and / or complete assignments.

The part time course also covers 120 hours over a minimum of 10 weeks. You work independently through units online where you learn how to teach.

You will also have 4 assignments to complete throughout the 10 weeks.

What does the course content consist of?

Input sessions are devoted to methodology, language awareness, phonology and lesson preparation. It is a Cambridge requirement that you observe six hours of classes with qualified teachers and do a minimum of six hours assessed teaching practice.

On the full time course, teaching practice can take place in the mornings or in the afternoons, followed by feedback. This will vary.

On a part time course teaching practice is on two days either on weekdays or on weekends.

By the end of the course you will have taught at least two different levels of class.







Frequently Asked Questions

What type of student will I be teaching?

Teaching practice students come from the local community. Many of them are working in Edinburgh (e.g. in bars, restaurants or as au pairs) and are delighted to attend these classes taught by you and observed by your tutors. Online teaching practice involves students from all over the world.

How will I be assessed?

You are assessed on two components: your teaching practice and four written assignments. Cambridge has a set of criteria for each component that you must meet in order to get the certificate. Towards the end of the course an external assessor comes in to moderate the course and to ensure that the assessment is being carried out consistently. During the course you will have a minimum of one private tutorial with your tutor at which you will be given an indication of your progress to date.

Do you give career advice?

The majority of students who successfully obtain the CELTA qualification look to teach abroad after the completion of the course. During the course, information will be available to assist you in finding employment and our teaching staff will be happy to provide advice and recommendations.

Full time EFL teaching positions in the United Kingdom are more difficult to come by than those abroad, except in the summer months when a large number of summer schools operate in Great Britain and Ireland. Centre of English Studies have eight schools operating in Canada, Ireland and the UK throughout the year, with an additional eight young learner schools taking place in the summer.

There are often job opportunities available in these schools and successful trainees will always be considered for available roles.







How to Apply

Please email

edinburghteachertraining@ces-schools.com

to request an application form

or call (+44) 0131 226 5004

to speak to our Academic Manager

On receipt of your completed application form, a member of our training team will contact you to arrange an interview. Acceptance onto a course is conditional on the candidate successfully passing the interview stage.

If accepted you will be asked to pay a deposit of £300 to secure your place. While this deposit is non-refundable, it is transferable to another course date if sufficient notice is provided. The balance of the fees is due two weeks before the start date.

Should a candidate drop out of the course at any stage or fail to achieve their CELTA accreditation there will be no refund of fees.

