



**International  
House**  
Cape Town

# English for Engineers

The Energy industry recruits people from all over the world and International House Cape Town has recognized the fact that English is now the common language used in the work environment.

## Who are the courses for?

English for Engineers is suitable for non-native speakers of English who are either studying engineering or who are currently working as technicians or engineers in the Oil, Gas and Energy industries.

\*

\* Groups - The intensive course is suitable for groups (Minimum 5) of either engineers or technicians who work on oil rigs, gas fields as well as those in workshops, laboratories, support offices and transportation sectors of the petrochemical industry.

\* Individuals - The intensive course is for individuals who are working in the Engineering and Energy Industries (Oil, Gas & Petrochemical). It combines general English classes with an additional 8 hours private lessons per week, focused on engineering in the Energy Sector and the individuals specific areas.

## How long are they?

- For group bookings (minimum 5 clients)

\* 4 Weeks (92 hours - cost: € 1440)

- For individual bookings

\* minimum 2 weeks at € 360(23 hours) per week. These classes run "on demand" for as long as the client wants.

International House Cape Town can arrange accommodation in self-catering apartments or homestay. Please see [www.ihcapetown.com](http://www.ihcapetown.com) or contact us at [info@ihcapetown.com](mailto:info@ihcapetown.com) for more information.

[www.ihcapetown.com](http://www.ihcapetown.com)

+27 21 433 0546

[info@ihcapetown.com](mailto:info@ihcapetown.com)



**International  
House**  
Cape Town

# English for Engineers

The course assumes that students will have an elementary level of English and is ideal for students who need to further their technical English and will enable them to interact with co-workers and supervisors with confidence.

The course will focus on language needed for practical tasks and communication in the workplace:

- \* Vocabulary is of paramount importance when using English in a technical environment. A focus is placed on using specialized technical terms and expressions, including abbreviations and colloquial expressions specific to the energy industries. Semi-technical terms are also given clear focus to ensure their use in the correct context.
- \* Grammatical structures are introduced and reviewed according to the needs of students. Areas such as imperatives and instruction-giving are introduced to prepare learners for real life situations. Discovery learning activities are favoured where students are encouraged to notice and work out structural patterns rather than learn rules that have little or no practical application.
- \* Speaking skills development activities simulate real-life communication, such as describing and giving information about equipment and jobs, giving instructions, warnings and discussing workplace problems. These are practiced using role-play and information gap tasks that involve finding out information from a partner.
- \* Reading and listening skills are developed through tasks that involve studying authentic and simplified authentic-type texts. Listening texts prepare students for communication with native speakers and non-native speakers by using recordings that contain different accents and regional variation.
- \* Written tasks aim to motivate students by developing their knowledge of useful language phrases and chunks for different text types such as accident report forms and written notices and instructions. Written exercises are used to reinforce vocabulary and grammatical structures

[www.ihcapetown.com](http://www.ihcapetown.com)

+27 21 433 0546

[info@ihcapetown.com](mailto:info@ihcapetown.com)