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Your WE Bridge Academy journey starts here!

Whether you are looking for an English language course, pre-university programme or teacher training package – we have a course for you.

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# INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

The **International Foundation Programme (IFP)** has been specifically developed for **international students** who want to study for an **undergraduate degree**.

It is a **full-time** programme and provides students with the knowledge, skills and confidence to embark upon undergraduate study at an **overseas university**.



	9-month Programme	Intensive Programme
Dates	19 September 2022 – 30 June 2023	9 January 2023 – 30 June 2023
IELTS Required	4.5 overall with at least 4.0 in each component, or equivalent	5.5 overall with at least 5.0 in each component, or equivalent
Cost	£15,500	£15,500

The IFP (NCC Education International Foundation Diploma for Higher Education – L3IFDHES) at WE Bridge Academy is **awarded by NCC Education**.

WE Bridge Academy mainly offers the International Foundation Programme as a **face-to-face programme**, but for students who cannot travel, **fully online and hybrid** options are available.

**4 different pathways**

- Business
- Computing
- Engineering
- Healthcare Sciences



Successful completion of the IFP and obtaining the required pass marks will provide students with the opportunity to choose and progress to one of the following universities.

### // University Partners

Successful completion of the IFP allows students to directly apply to one of our university partners



### // Guaranteed IFP University Progression

These are universities that guarantee WE Bridge Academy students a place on their chosen course after successful completion of the NCC IFP.



[Click here](#) to view the many formal university progression routes available, including universities that may not officially guarantee a place, but certainly welcome – and view favourably, applications from WE Bridge Academy students.

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES

Learning **English** in **Cardiff** couldn't be easier. **Flexibility** is at the heart of all of our English courses – with continuous enrolment and **no complicated entry requirements**.

Our English language classes provide a professional and relaxed learning environment where students are helped to develop the four essential skills of language communication: speaking, listening, reading and writing.

All of our English language courses are **suitable** for students aged **16 and over**.

These courses can be delivered **online**, and students will have the opportunity to attend classes via Zoom, joining students who are being taught in person.





## General English 15

### £235 per week

- Enrol from the Monday of any week
- Study for as long or as little as you like
- Suitable for elementary level and above
- 15 hours tuition per week

## General English 21

### £325 per week

- Enrol from the Monday of any week
- Study for as long or as little as you like
- Suitable for elementary level and above
- 21 hours tuition per week



## General English 25

### £390 per week

- Enrol from the Monday of any week
- Study for as long or as little as you like
- Suitable for elementary level and above
- 25 hours tuition per week



# ENGLISH+ COURSES

Our English+ courses combine **general English** tuition with the benefit of adding **IELTS** or **English for Specific Purposes (ESP)**. All courses offer continuous enrolment and no complicated entry requirements.

All of our English+ courses are suitable for students aged 16 and over and carry a one-off, non-refundable registration fee of £150.

- Maximum class size: 15 students.
- Morning classes normally start between 9:00 and 9:30 and finish between 12:15 and 12:45
- Afternoon classes normally start between 13:00 and 13:30 and finish between 16:00 and 16:15



# // IELTS

As well as improving their general language capability, students learn and practice key skills and exam techniques required for the IELTS exam.

## IELTS 21- £330 per week

- Enrol on the Monday of any week
- Suitable for elementary level and above
- 15 hours English and 6 hours IELTS exam preparation each week

## IELTS 25- £390 per week

- Enrol on the Monday of any week
- Suitable for elementary level and above
- 15 hours English and 10 hours IELTS exam preparation each week



# // ENGLISH FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES (ESP)

Each ESP course focuses on career-specific vocabulary and contexts, and is combined with a general English programme in order to develop your overall English language skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing. These courses benefit professionals who want to develop their English communication skills for a work environment.

## £385 per week

- 15 hours English and 5 hours ESP each week (price based on 1 student)
- 15 hours English and 7.5 hours ESP each week (price based on 2 students)
- 15 hours English and 10 hours ESP each week (price based on 3 or more students)

# ENGLISH FOR AVIATION

**WE Bridge Academy English for Aviation course** will offer you the tools to reach the language skills required to **pass the mandatory ICAO** (International Civil Aviation Organisation) **Level 4** test.

With our 2-week intensive course you will be able to meet and maintain the ICAO language proficiency standards required for pilots and air traffic controllers.

There will be a focus on developing students' listening and speaking skills, as these two skills are the most important to master in an aviation context.

- Number of hours per week: **25 hours**
- Registration Fee: **£125**
- Course Fee: **£925**



## Typical content includes:

Air Travel, Airports, Ground handling equipment and personnel, Runways and taxiways, Meteorology and air traffic operations, Aircraft types and parts, Damage and failure to aircraft, Emergency situations, Navigation equipment, Air traffic management, Flight plans, etc.



# SUMMER ACADEMIC PROGRAMME

Our Summer Academic Programme combines the flexibility of our English courses with free time to enjoy everything Cardiff has to offer. Our courses are ideal for anyone looking to improve their general English during the summer months.

Using a more academic approach, our Summer Academic Programme will typically consist of general English in the morning and project work in the afternoon.



**£695 per person/per week\***

- Full and half day excursions
- 24-hour bespoke timetable
- June and July availability
- Academic English and project work

\* Price excludes transfers and course extras. Ask us about the great deals available when booking for 10+ students.



## // Tailor-Made for Groups

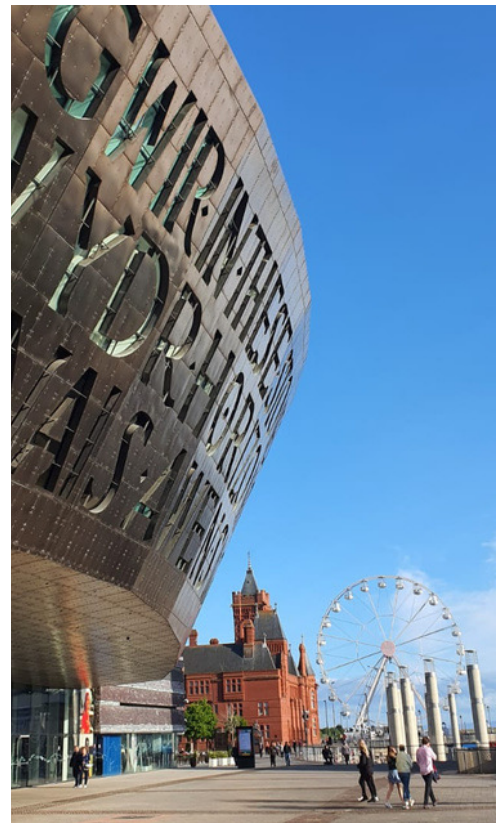
If you are applying as a group, we understand your requirements may be specific and students may need to study towards a particular subject. If this is the case, we are happy to create a timetable based around your needs (such as arranging a tour of local businesses for a group that has an interest in business studies).

## // Summer Activities

The bespoke timetable includes one full day (usually on a Saturday) and one half day excursion per week.

For an extra charge, students can join in with the additional social activities the Academy offers, which are each priced individually and would typically include:

- St Fagan's and areas of local interest such as Cardiff Museum
- Weekend day trips to the Brecon Beacons with a tour guide, food and quiz
- Cardiff Bay
- City visits including Bath
- Cardiff and Caerphilly Castle
- Sports activities and cinema



# Trinity CertTESOL

Our Trinity Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (CertTESOL) provides an internationally recognised teaching qualification in just four weeks.

The Trinity CertTESOL is accredited at level 5 on the Regulated Qualifications Network (RQF).

The main programme content is delivered and assessed through **five units**:

- Teaching skills
- Language awareness
- Learner profile
- Materials assignment
- Unknown language



## 4-week intensive programme

From Monday 18th July to Friday 12th August 2022.

The programme costs £1,450 and a deposit of £300 is required to secure your place.

# Entry Requirements

- You must be aged 18 or over
- Education and qualifications: preferably a degree; two or more A-levels grade C and above
- Competence in spoken and written English. Speakers of English as a second or foreign language are welcome to apply for training places; all applicants will be assessed equally at interview
- Willingness to work cooperatively as a member of the training group and respond constructively to feedback on personal performance
- Potential for combined study including language description and analysis, and also rigorous practical training



# Programme Content

- Six hours of observed teaching practice with real learners of English, including evaluation and feedback – followed by feedback with a qualified trainer
- Four hours of observation of ESOL teaching by experienced teachers
- Lesson plan practice with self and tutor evaluation and feedback
- Spoken and written language practice with study of grammar and phonology, and how to build them into your teaching
- Needs analysis for learners, including preparation of a simple linguistic profile of an individual learner
- Experience of learning an unknown language that will help you to reflect on the beginner English language learner's point of view

# Why Choose the Trinity CertTESOL?

- Internationally recognised teaching qualification for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Recognised by the British Council and by language schools worldwide as a suitable initial qualification for Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)
- Designed for those who have little or no experience of teaching English in the contemporary language classroom, and who would like to gain a recognised qualification
- A recognised TESOL qualification opens up a world of opportunities. For example, you can go abroad to teach in the Far East, Latin and Central America and Europe. Alternatively, you may wish to stay in the UK and find teaching work. Websites such as TEFL and ESL Cafe show what jobs are available
- Only Trinity CertTESOL and Cambridge CELTA are recognised worldwide as suitable qualifications to teach English as a foreign or second language



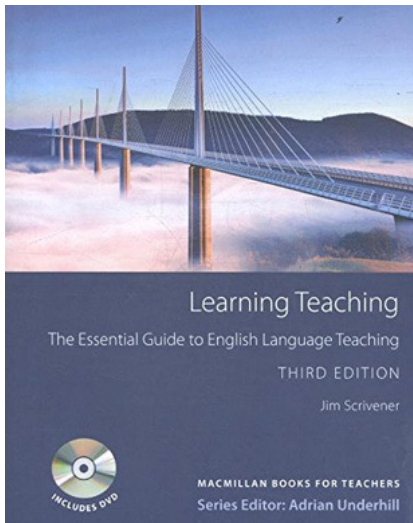
## // Funding

Recent graduates may be eligible to apply for a British Council training grant to cover 50% of the cost of tuition fees. For more information, visit the British Council website.

People who have been made redundant and want to retrain may qualify for REACT funding.

## // Recommend Reading List

These are the books on our required reading list for the Trinity CertTESOL. You are advised to buy a copy of each book and read through them before your course starts. Do not worry if you do not understand everything as much of the material in the books is covered in input sessions on the course. We want to be sure that you know your way around the books, and you should be familiar with the basic ideas before starting.

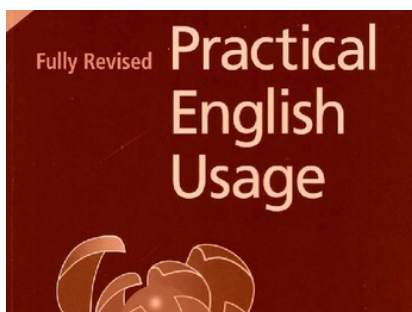
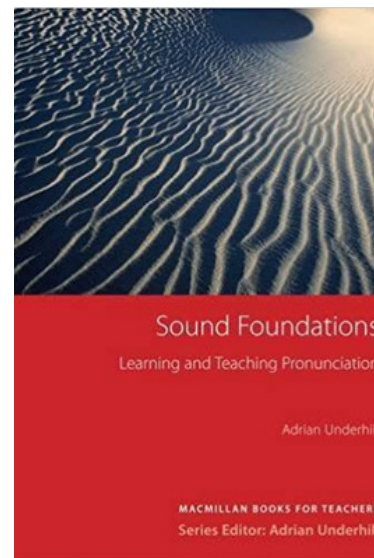


### Learning Teaching – Jim Scrivener (3rd Edition 2011)

This is a methodology book. It will give you lots of very useful information about how to make your lesson a success. You will also learn how to approach different types of lessons, such as grammar lessons, speaking lessons, vocabulary lessons and so on. You will find many practical ideas that you can use in your first lesson. You will also see many of the ideas in action when you observe our teachers too.

### Sound Foundations – Adrian Underhill (2nd Edition 2005)

The other aspect of the course that trainees often worry about is phonology. What is phonology? Why do I have to learn it? How can I teach it? These are common questions. The good news is that this book takes you through the whole phonology syllabus step-by-step. It is clear, concise and full of lots of practical activities that will help you to learn about every aspect of the sound system of English and how to teach it. We will refer to this book throughout the programme.



### Practical English Usage – Michael Swan (3rd Edition 2005)

This book provides every explanation in clear English of every aspect of grammar and highlights the most common grammatical problems experienced by learners.

# TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

WE Bridge Academy is proud to be a **teacher training centre**. We have experience in teacher training under the Erasmus+ programme.

We have delivered **successful courses** for teachers in the **EU, Russia and the Middle East**.

Our teacher trainers are **Trinity College London and Cambridge CELTA certified** and between them have **over 50 years' teacher-training experience**.

Our courses receive **excellent feedback** from participants.

Our courses are **eligible for EU funding**. WE Bridge Academy is registered on European Commission's Authentication Service (ECAS).

**Our PIC number is 937055309.**



## The programme offers

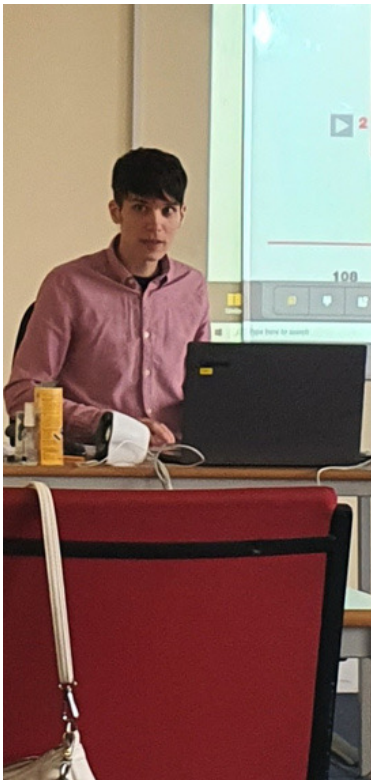
- Flexible start dates (on request), subject to interest and sufficient numbers
- Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)
- Teacher training under the Erasmus+ programme

## // Language, Methodology and Culture for Overseas Teachers of English

This course is designed for teachers of English to improve their teaching skills and is aimed at non-native teachers of English. You will have the CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning) for overseas teachers.

## // Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)

This is a one or two week course for lower intermediate and above speakers of English who teach at secondary and tertiary level (11 years and older). The course explores the techniques and methodology underlying CLIL. CLIL helps students at secondary and tertiary level to learn English and gain knowledge of curricular subjects by learning those subjects in English.



## // Professional Development for Education Providers

This course will empower you with new skills and give you time to reflect on your own teaching habits. You will have the opportunity to focus on your professional development journey and consider the development needs of your own practice and of the educational providers around you.

## // Using ICT in Teaching English as a Foreign Language

This course will help you to become familiar with current uses and practices involving technology in the classroom.



## // Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) taster course / shadow a teacher programme

These courses are suitable for people thinking of becoming an English Teacher. It will give you the opportunity to shadow an English Language teacher and see if teaching TEFL is the career you wish to pursue. Shadowing a teacher can be done for one or two days and in conjunction with a full teacher training course. Why not take one or two days to get firsthand experience of life in the classroom. Shadowing a teacher costs £35 per day and you must book in advance.



Price	Course
£780	Language, Methodology and Culture Two week programme (20 hours per week)
£780	Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) Two week programme (20 hours per week)
£780	Professional Development for Education Providers Two week programme (20 hours per week)
£780	Using ICT in Teaching English as a Foreign Language Two week programme (20 hours per week)
£35 per day	Shadow a Teacher Programme One or two days

# PERSONAL TUITION

Personal tuition offers **one-to-one study** with one of our qualified teachers, allowing students to work towards achieving a specific goal or studying for an exam.

Tuition in this way offers absolute flexibility, allowing you to choose exactly when you study, the number of hours and how long for.

We can help you identify key areas for improvement, as well as providing support in areas of particular concern to you. Personal tuition can be arranged at a time convenient for you at WE Bridge Academy.



**£60 per hour**

- Study from 1 hour per week
- Absolute flexibility
- Focus on any subject

# ACCOMMODATION

We understand how important it is to secure the **right accommodation** during your studies and we ensure that all our **homestay** accommodation is **pleasant, comfortable and a safe place to stay**.

Our **Student Accommodation & Welfare Officer** works hard to find the right accommodation and will provide you with all the information you need prior to your journey to the UK.

We work with an **extensive network of homestay providers** to offer you an enjoyable stay in Cardiff.



Homestay Type	Price
Students aged 16 and 17 On a full-board basis	£180 per week
Students aged 18 and over On a half-board basis	£165 per week
For students with additional dietary requirements	£15 extra per week

## // You can expect

- English-speaking hosts to practice your English language skills
- A single room on a half-board basis with breakfast and evening meal
- A single room on a full-board basis for students aged under 18
- Each home is inspected to meet British Council quality standards
- A maximum of one student per nationality will be placed in each home
- Homestay providers are DBS (police) checked
- Homestay accommodation providers are required to provide gas safety inspection certificates
- All providers receive safeguarding training and are required to take part in an induction provided by our Student Accommodation & Welfare Officer
- All of our Homestays are situated a maximum of 30 minutes from the school by public transport

## // Services

- The homestay provider will supply bedding and towels
- Laundry will be done once a week



Above are pictures from a WE Bridge Academy homestay located in Barry, 20 minutes by train from our Academy

## // How to Book

Homestay should be requested at the time of applying for your course. If you didn't, you can apply here.

- You must complete the form at least **four weeks** before your arrival to the UK.
- Homestay accommodation **cannot be booked without a completed form.**
- Accommodation will only be secured when **payment is received for the first 4 weeks** homestay costs at least 4 weeks prior to your arrival. Please view our **Terms and Conditions** for more information.
- Homestay fees are payable in addition to course fees.
- Students aged **under 18** must stay with a WE Bridge Academy homestay provider, or with a family member with the written permission of their parent/guardian – you will need to complete an Accommodation Consent form.



## // Important Information for Students Aged 16 and 17

In our commitment to safeguarding students aged under 18, a **Parental Consent form** is required as part of the application process. We are unable to start the process of allocating homestay accommodation until we receive the following:

Completed Parental Permission form signed by the parent or guardian  
**Proof of identity for the parent or guardian** (i.e. copy of passport or driving licence)



## // Private Rented and Student Accommodation

If you are looking to stay in the city centre itself, our Student Accommodation and Welfare Officer can put you in touch with both private rented and student accommodation providers. Whilst we do not work with these providers directly, we can provide advice with your living arrangements to help you make the best of your stay during your studies.

You may find [this website](#) useful.

