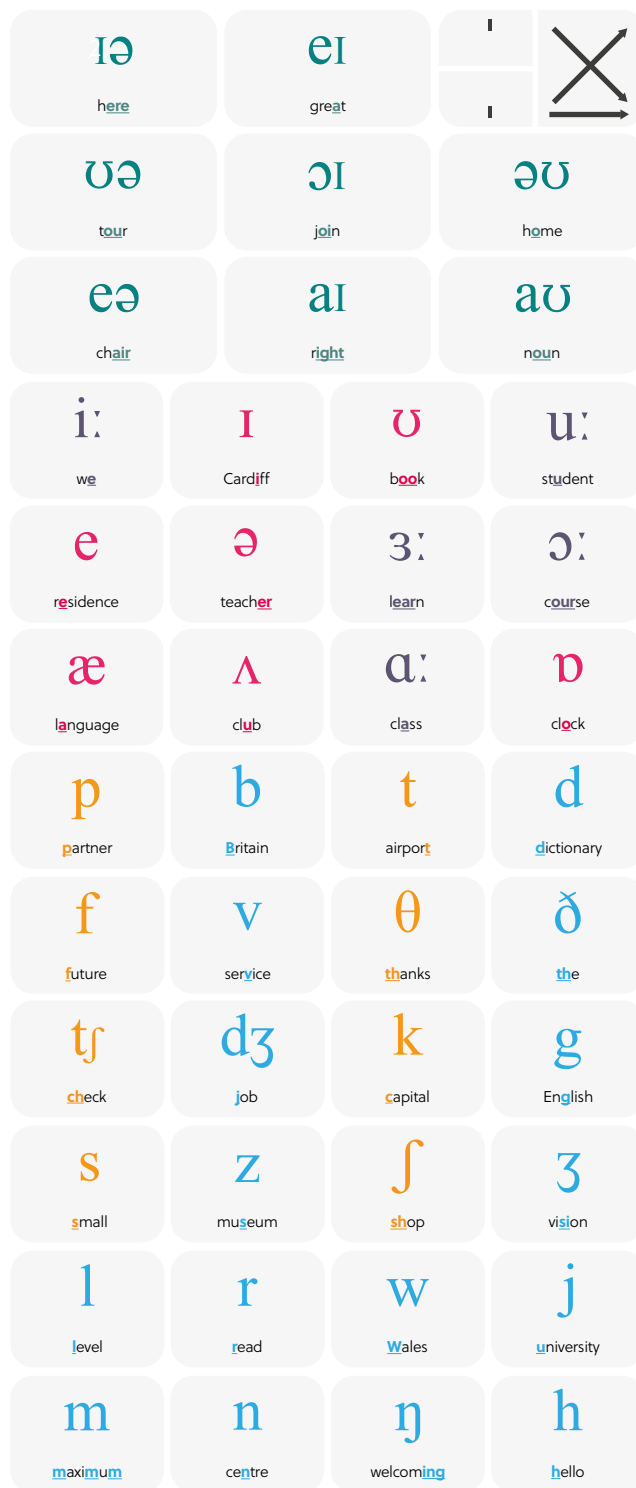




Celtic English Academy
2016



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Cardiff is the beautiful capital city of Wales, in Great Britain.

We teach English today so you can start your tomorrow.

At Celtic English Academy we take care of our students' futures as English speakers.

We want our students to have a better grasp of the English language, be accepted into their desired university and communicate more effectively with international clients.

We teach students in small groups in order to aid progression and develop English skills as much as possible, which means we can focus on your individual needs. Your classroom experience plus additional opportunities to practise the language help you to acquire English both inside and outside the classroom.





Cardiff, the beautiful capital of Wales.

Cardiff is a great place to live and study.

It offers everything you would expect from a capital city with world-class entertainment, historical sites and excellent shopping, while still being one of the cheapest places for students to live in the UK.

With so many things to do across the city it is no surprise that Cardiff was named one of the 'Top 10 Places to Visit in the World' by National Geographic and was voted the 'Best Place for Young People in the UK'!





Heritage

Romans, Normans and Victorians all helped shape the Cardiff that exists today. You can learn about Cardiff's rich history at its many historical sites and museums.



Sports

Cardiff was named the 'European Capital of Sport' in 2009 and 2014. With state-of-the-art stadiums and facilities like the Millennium Stadium, SWALEC Stadium and Cardiff City Stadium, it is no surprise that Cardiff is considered a leading city for sport!



Low Cost & Safe

Cardiff is one of the best-value university cities. Throughout the year, regular free festivals and events take place, such as the 'Big Weekend', the UK's biggest free outdoor music festival. It is also one of the safest UK cities to live in.



Entertainment & The Arts

You find poetry in the buildings and music in the air when you visit Cardiff! You can attend live concerts by world famous artists like Madonna, U2 and Elton John or enjoy classical music and drama at the Welsh National Opera or the Sherman Theatre.



Nightlife

Cardiff has great nightlife and a well-established pub culture. If you are looking for a night out, the lively St Mary Street or Cardiff Bay are the busiest areas at the weekend.



Shopping

Cardiff is one of Europe's top shopping destinations. Celtic English Academy is located right in the heart of the city, only minutes away from the main shopping area.

Student Testimonials.

"When I first came to Britain, I went to Cardiff. It was the best day, it had good weather, it was bright, everything was green."

Dhabia, from Saudi Arabia

"The city of Cardiff is ideal place for studying. There aren't so many people as in London, there are a lot of parks, sightseeing and the life is calm."

Max, from Russia

"Because of small class size, I had lots of opportunities to speak to my classmates and ask any questions to my teacher."

Ayaka, from Japan

"Cardiff people are really nice and friendly. If I need to help something, staff always answer about questions friendly. Really thanks Celtic!"

Sangjun, from South Korea

"The reception staff interact very well with the students. I always had the feeling of being respected. The effort of helping students in any situation is outstanding!"

Jana, from Germany

"When I arrived in Cardiff I saw a beautiful city with different nationalities who all lived with each other peacefully. There is no discrimination."

Ahmed, from Iraq

"This is my first time at Celtic English Academy. I think it's the best experience of my life! The lessons are interesting, teachers are really good and I'm happy."

Silvia, from Italy

"There is small class so teachers can teach efficiently. My teacher give me a chance to speak so I can improve my English, especially speaking skill, which was my weakness."

Banyapon, from Thailand

"Cardiff is just an incredible place to know. I don't have word to describe. Thank you to all of you who made my unforgettable time."

William, from Brazil

No. 1 UK CITY

to live in for
young people

(The Independent, 2013)

350,000

People live
in Cardiff



4 Universities within
Central Cardiff

78,000

Students live in

CARDIFF

each year

330



Parks &
gardens



10% of Cardiff
is parkland

NO. 1 PEACEFUL

Major Urban Area

— In The UK —

(The UK Peace Index, 2013)

18.9 million

visitors each year



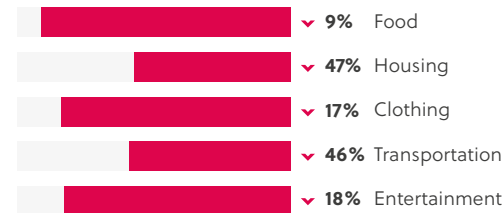
London

London is only **2 hours** away
from Cardiff by train

Cardiff



Cardiff is
34%
cheaper than London



Information sourced from www.expatistan.com

National Symbols



Leek



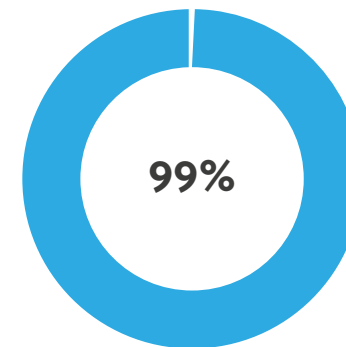
Dragon



Daffodil



Harp



99% of people would
recommend **Cardiff** as
a destination to visit

Most Popular Attractions



Cardiff Bay



Shopping



Cardiff Castle



Millennium Centre

The currency is the GBP



RUGBY

is Wales' National Sport



EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF SPORTS 2014



21:34

Latest summer
SUNSET

16:04

Earliest winter
SUNSET

Summer
temperature
can reach up to

25°C

The average
Winter
temperature
is

7°C

Living in Cardiff.

Cardiff is the 'Top UK City for Quality of Life' and one of the best value university cities in Europe!

As a capital city, Cardiff offers the same great features and benefits as living in other major cities, but at a much lower cost:

Cost of living in Cardiff (per week)	
Accommodation	£65 - £125
Food	£30 - £50
Travel	£0 - £15
Socialising	£20 - £30
Laundry & Toiletries	£3 - £10
Telephone & Mobile	£5 - £10
Other	£15 - £30
TOTAL:	£138 - £290

Cost of specific items in Cardiff	
Cardiff Bus Pass	£53/month
Big Mac Meal	£5.50
Restaurant meal	£5.95 - £30.00
1 cinema ticket	£4.00-£9.00
1 pint of beer	£1.80 - £4.20
Taxi starting price (normal tariff)	£2.20
Taxi 1km (normal tariff)	£2.00
12 eggs	£2.01
1 loaf of bread	£1.10
1 litre of milk	£0.90

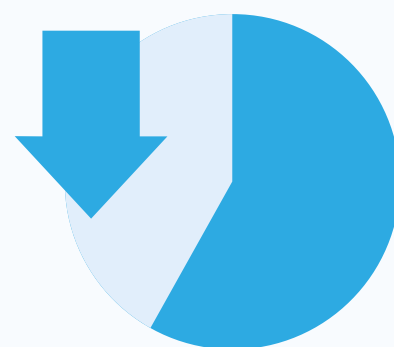
A Job in Cardiff

Students on a Youth Mobility Visa or who have an EU/EEA passport can get a job while they are in Cardiff. Cardiff offers excellent employment opportunities for students in shops, cafés, restaurants, hotels and other areas. We can help you to write your CV in English and offer advice on finding a job. The minimum wage in the UK is £6.70 per hour for people over 21.

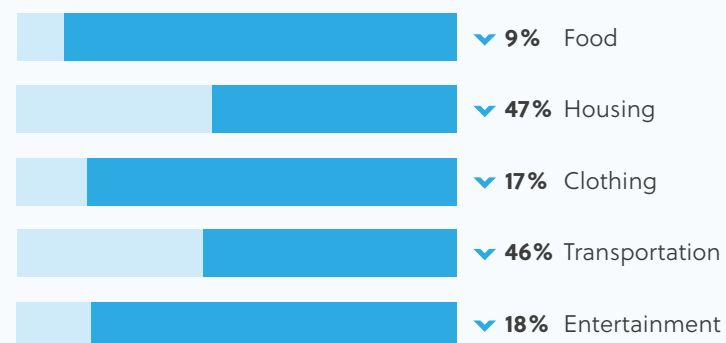
Tier 4 Maintenance Funds

When you apply for your visa, you must show that you have £1,050 for living costs for each month of your course, up to a maximum of 9 months. You must also show that you are able to pay your course fees in full. All money used to prove financial eligibility must be in your bank account for at least 28 days before making your visa application.

Cost of Living - Cardiff vs London

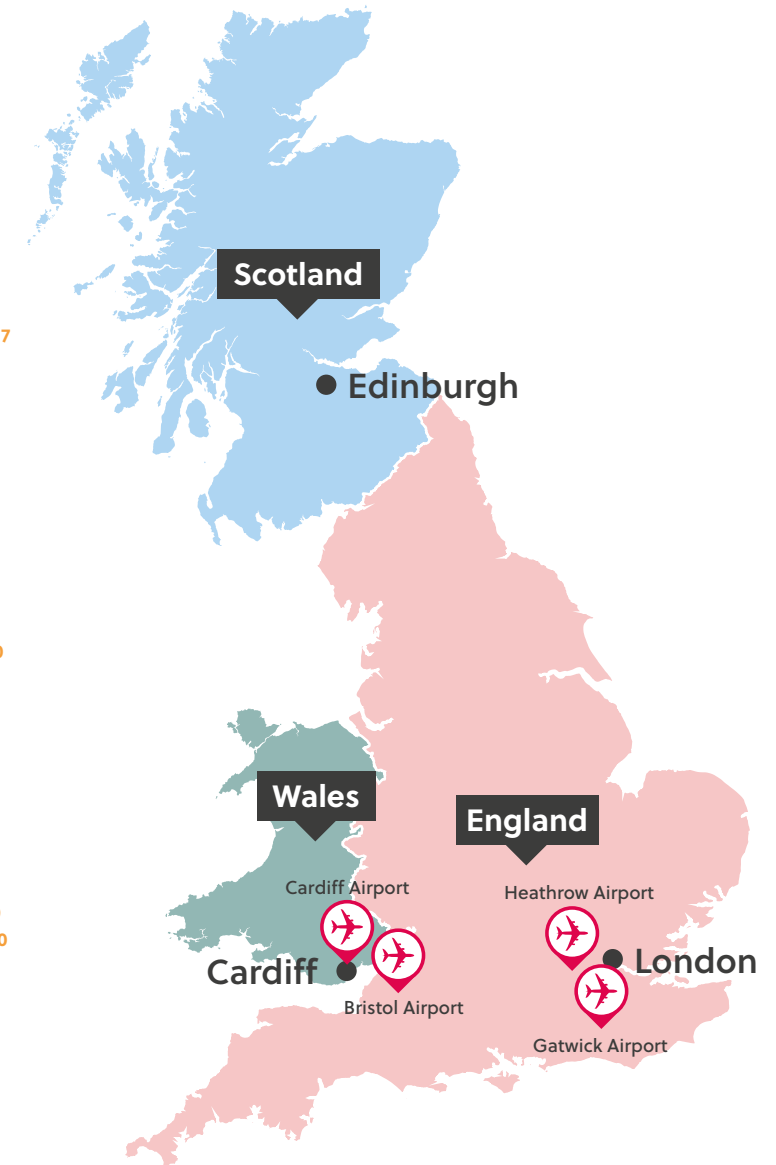


34% Cheaper than London



Travel Information.

 Cardiff Airport	 #905 Service 7 mins > Rhoose Station >  National Rail 30 mins	Cardiff	Single - £4.30 Return - £8.60
	 Celtic Transfer - 30 mins		Single - £40 Return - £75
	 Traveline Cymru T.9 - 40 mins		Single - £5 Return - £8
 Bristol Airport	 Airport Flyer 27 mins > Temple Meads Station >  National Rail 1 hour	Cardiff	Single - £15.50-£17 Return - £20-£31
	 Celtic Transfer - 1 hour		Single - £90 Return - £170
	 National Express - 1 hour 20 mins		Single - £10 Return - £20
 Heathrow Airport	 Heathrow Connect - 30 mins Heathrow Express - 15 mins > London Paddington Station >  National Rail 2 hours	Cardiff	Single - £47-£68 Return - £95-£120
	 Celtic Transfer - 2 hours 30 mins		Single - £180 Return - £345
	 National Express #201 - 3 hours		Single - £20-£30 Return - £30-£50
 Gatwick Airport	 National Rail 1 hour 15 mins > Reading Station >  National Rail 1 hour 45 mins	Cardiff	Single - £30-£120 Return - £50-£200
	 Celtic Transfer - 3 hours		Single - £210 Return - £410
	 National Express - 5 hours		Single - £20-£50 Return - £40-£80



Celtic English Academy.

We are a friendly and welcoming English language centre in the heart of Cardiff.

We take pride in our small class sizes, wonderful teachers and great support staff. We are located a few minutes' walk from the main shopping centre and are surrounded by lovely pubs, shops and cafés, as well as the impressive National Museum of Wales and Cardiff University buildings.



Key Facts:

Established:	2004	• Excellent city centre location
Location:	Cardiff city centre	• Small class sizes
Number of students:	High season 350 Low season 150	• Quality teaching
Maximum class size:	10	• All our teachers are native English speakers and CELTA or DELTA qualified
		• British Council and ISI accredited
		• Warm and friendly Welsh welcome!

Accreditation.

British Council

Accreditation UK is the quality assurance scheme for the UK ELT sector.

Independent Schools Inspectorate

Celtic English Academy 'Exceeds Expectations' in 2014 and 2015 inspections.

Membership.

English UK

The national association of British Council accredited English language centres.

English UK Wales

The regional sub-group of English UK founded in 2015 to raise the profile of Wales as an EFL destination.

Exam Centre.

Trinity

Internationally-recognised certificates of English proficiency, including GESE and ISE.

BULATS

The Business Language Test delivered by Cambridge English Language Assessment, on our premises.

Our Facilities.



Free WiFi

Free wireless internet access throughout our buildings.



21 Classrooms

Interactive whiteboards or projectors available in most classrooms.



Reception

Our Reception has up to 5 dedicated members of staff who can assist you during break times.



University Admissions Counselling Room

Free university admission service as we are a UCAS registered centre.



IT Room

Access to internet-connected computers with Microsoft programmes.



Self-Study Space

Our dedicated student areas are open daily from 8:00 to 18:00.



Free Water

Unlimited free water is available in the Reception and student areas.



Library

Books, magazines and an expanding selection of English-language DVDs available.



Student Lounge

Here you can get hot drinks such as a latte or hot chocolate during your breaks and lunch time.



Our Teachers and Staff.

At the heart of everything we do is our professional and friendly academic and support team.

We choose our teachers carefully to ensure that they are not only qualified but also friendly, professional and passionate about what they do. Our teachers are here to support your learning journey from start to finish by providing you with guidance and motivation to help you achieve your aims.

Our support staff are also by your side. Our team are experienced and skilled at what they do and most of all driven to deliver quality service to all students. With multiple languages and diverse overseas experience in the team, we can put ourselves in your shoes and help you during your stay.

We Are Understanding

We understand you. We have been welcoming international students for a long time and know the concerns you have. We understand that coming to the UK to study English can be frightening and also stressful. We appreciate that it will take time for you to adapt to British life and possibly a new approach to studying. We are here to help and to listen.

We Are Encouraging

We want you to succeed. We are here to encourage you to develop your English language skills and progress. We want you to get the very most out of your experience at Celtic and your teacher will help you do this by encouraging you and inspiring you at all times.

We Are Listeners

You are our main focus. We are always ready to listen to your questions, worries and suggestions. Our priority is to ensure you have a great time at Celtic and we hope that by listening to you we can do this.

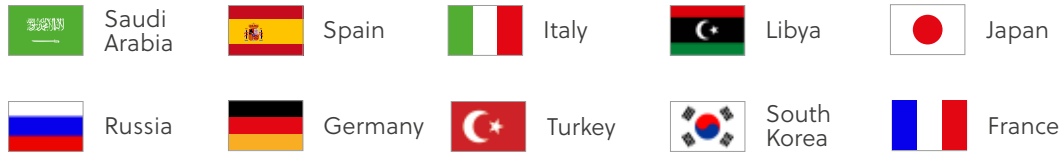
We look at each student individually and help you whenever we can, both inside and outside the classroom. Your well-being during your stay with us is always a priority. We have a strong support team to ensure that you get the most out of your experience.

When you get to study at the university of your dreams, get promoted or can finally talk to your neighbours, we share in your success.

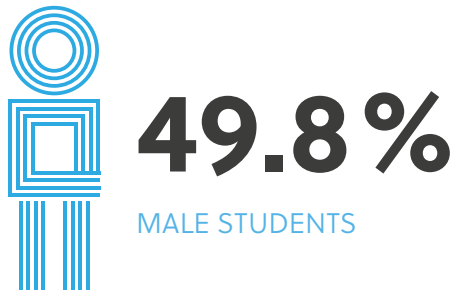


Our Students.

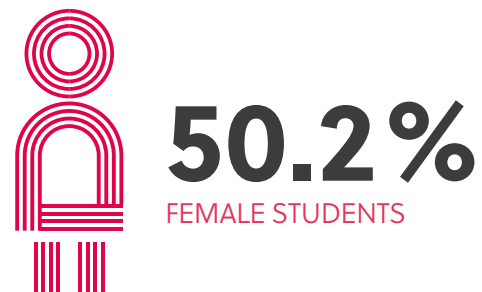
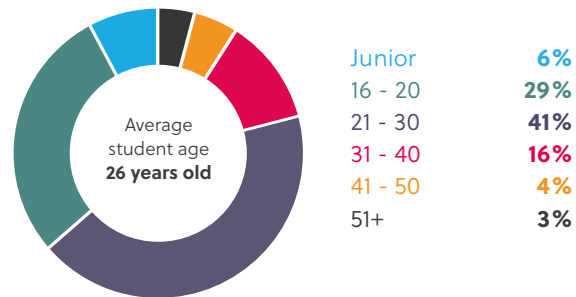
Top Nationalities



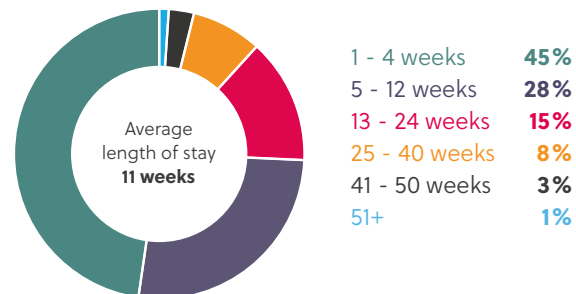
Student Gender



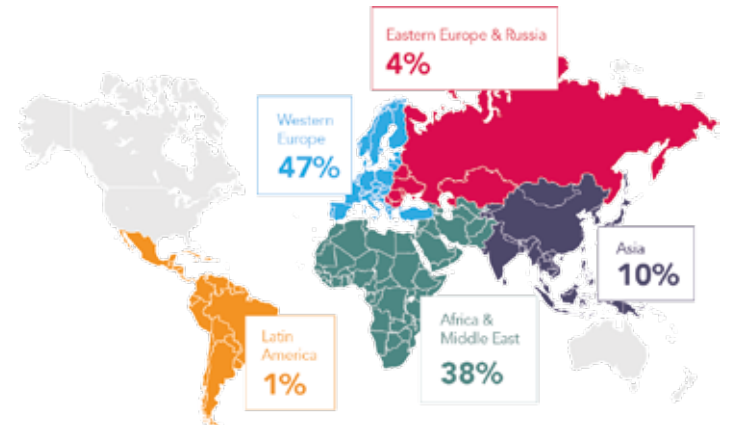
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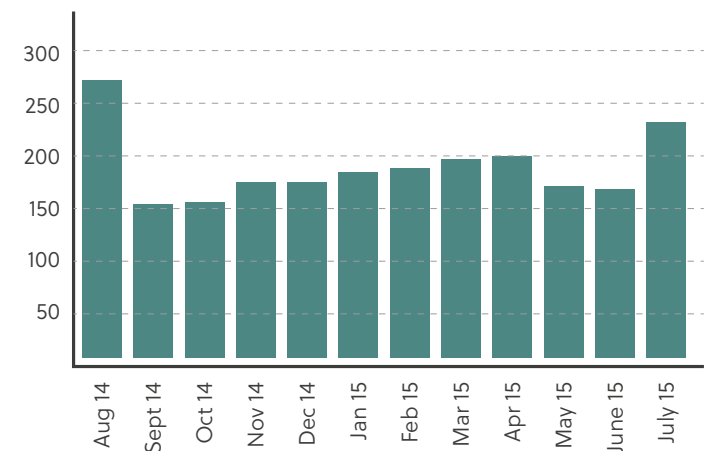
Length of Stay



World Map



Number of Students



Your First Day.

Placement Test

On your first day at Celtic you will take a placement test and have a spoken interview to place you in the most suitable class for your level of English. This will form the start of your Individual Learning Plan.

Induction Day

We are here to support you from the moment you enrol to the day you return home. When you join Celtic, you join a big family – friendly and welcoming. Your first day will be an induction day to help you settle in and we can answer any questions that you may have.



8:15 - 8:45

Arrival & Welcome

18 Park Grove,
Cardiff CF10 3BN

9:30 - 10:15

Greetings,
Celtic Staff Introduction
& Orientation

11:30 - 13:00

Speaking Test

14:00 - 17:00

Individual Appointment Slots:
• University Admission
Induction
• Safeguarding induction
for Under 18s

8:45 - 9:30

Enrolment &
Placement Test

10:30 - 11:30

City Tour

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch Break

Your Classes.

Small Class Size

Our classes are small – we have a maximum of just 10 students in each class.

Course Assessment

You will be assessed weekly to ensure you are making progress. Progress is based on weekly assessment results, mid- and end-of-term test results, class participation, homework and attendance.

Tutorials

You will have regular tutorials with your class teacher to discuss your progress and review your study plan. Our academic team and student mentors are always available to discuss your progress during your course.

Lessons & Technology

Lessons are all face-to-face and are supported by the use of the latest digital resources.



Mid- & End-of-Term Tests

All students are required to sit a Progress Test. The result of these tests help us to decide if you should progress to the next level.

Resources

You will follow a book which we will give you at the start of your course. You will also have access to Celtic Online where you can find lots of other useful resources.

Attendance

You should maintain a high level of attendance in order to get the most from your course. Your attendance should be no lower than 80% at any time.



Outcomes:

When you finish your course, you will receive a Celtic Certificate of English. Your certificate will show your final level and attendance.



Progress Planner.

At Celtic English Academy we take care of our students' futures as English speakers. From the moment you begin your Celtic experience, we are committed to providing you with all the tools and support you need to reach your target level. Have a look at our Progress Planner to plan your route to fluency and you can be confident of your success.

Celtic Promise:

- If you are committed to learning
- If you have 100% attendance
- If you have successfully completed your homework, tests and assignments



then we promise you will progress at the rate shown on the Progress Planner below. If you do not progress at the expected rate, we will provide you with all the additional help and support you need to reach your target level.

		Weeks required to reach level					
CEFR	Celtic General English Level	15 hrs per week	21 hrs per week	30 hrs per week	IELTS Scale	Celtic IELTS Prep Course Level	Cambridge Exam Level
C1	Advanced	24 - 30 weeks	24 - 30 weeks	24 - 30 weeks	8.0 7.5 7.0	Level 4	CAE
B2	Upper Intermediate	12 - 24 weeks	12 - 20 weeks	12 - 16 weeks	6.5 6.0 5.5	Level 3 Level 2	FCE
B1+	Intermediate	12 - 18 weeks	12 - 16 weeks	12 weeks	5.0 4.5 4.0	Level 1	
B1	Pre-Intermediate	12 weeks	10 - 12 weeks	8 - 12 weeks	3.5		
A2	Elementary	12 weeks	10 - 12 weeks	8 - 12 weeks			
A1	Beginner	12 weeks	10 - 12 weeks	6 - 10 weeks			

Your Timetable.

Weekly:

Programme	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	08:45 - 10:15	08:45 - 10:15	08:45 - 10:15	08:45 - 10:15	08:45 - 10:15
	10:30 - 12:00	10:30 - 12:00	10:30 - 12:00	10:30 - 12:00	10:30 - 12:00
MIDDAY	12:30 - 14:00	12:30 - 14:00	12:30 - 14:00	12:30 - 14:00	12:30 - 14:00
PM	14:15 - 15:45	14:15 - 15:45	14:15 - 15:45	14:15 - 15:45	14:15 - 15:45
	16:00 - 17:30	16:00 - 17:30	16:00 - 17:30	16:00 - 17:30	16:00 - 17:30

Daily:

Programme	Time				
	AM		Midday	PM	
	08:45 - 10:15	10:30 - 12:00	12:30 - 14:00	14:15 - 15:45	16:00 - 17:30
AM Basic Course - GE15, IELTS15, FCE15, CAE15	20 Lessons				
AM Standard Course - GE21, IELTS21, FCE21, CAE21, BE21	28 Lessons				
Intensive Course - GE30, IELTS30, FCE30, CAE30				40 Lessons	
PM Basic Course - GEPM15				PM 20 Lessons	
PM Standard Course - GEPM21				PM 28 Lessons	

Each lesson is 45 minutes

15 hours = 20 lessons, 21 hours = 28 lessons , 30 hours = 40 lessons.

Our Courses.

General English

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Start Date: Any Monday

Course Length: 1-50 weeks

Hours per week: 15, 21 or 30 hours per week

Improve your all-round English ability and increase confidence in your day-to-day use of the language.

Afternoon General English

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Subject to demand, usually B1 and above.

Start Date: Any Monday

Course Length: 1-50 weeks

Hours: 15 or 21 hours per week

Improve your all-round English ability with our low-cost afternoon option.

Ladies-only Classes

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Subject to demand, usually A1 to B1.

Start Date: Any Monday

Course Length: 1-50 weeks

Hours: 15 or 21 hours per week

For students who prefer to have a female teacher in a class of only female students.

FCE / CAE Cambridge Exam Preparation

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Start Date: Set start dates **FCE** **CAE**

Course Length: 2-10 weeks

Hours: 15, 21 or 30 hours per week

For students looking for an English language qualification with worldwide recognition.

IELTS Exam Preparation

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Start Date: Any Monday **IELTS 3.5 - 7.5**

Course Length: 1-50 weeks

Hours: 15, 21 or 30 hours per week

For students planning to go to university, or who want to obtain a certain IELTS score.

BULATS Business English

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Subject to demand, usually B1 and above.

Start Date: Any Monday

Course Length: 1-4 weeks

Hours: 21 hours or 21 hours + 4 hours of one-to-one

Improve your English skills for the workplace and receive a recognised assessment of your level.

Internship Programme

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Start Date: Any Monday

Course Length: 8-26 weeks

Learn English and get first-hand experience in the workplace following a minimum of 2 weeks' General English study.

Teacher Refresher Courses

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Start Date: Set start dates

Course Length: 2 weeks

Hours: 21 hours per week

For overseas primary and secondary school teachers looking for a range of techniques to teach young learners in English.

One-to-One

Levels: A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1 C2

Start Date: Any Monday

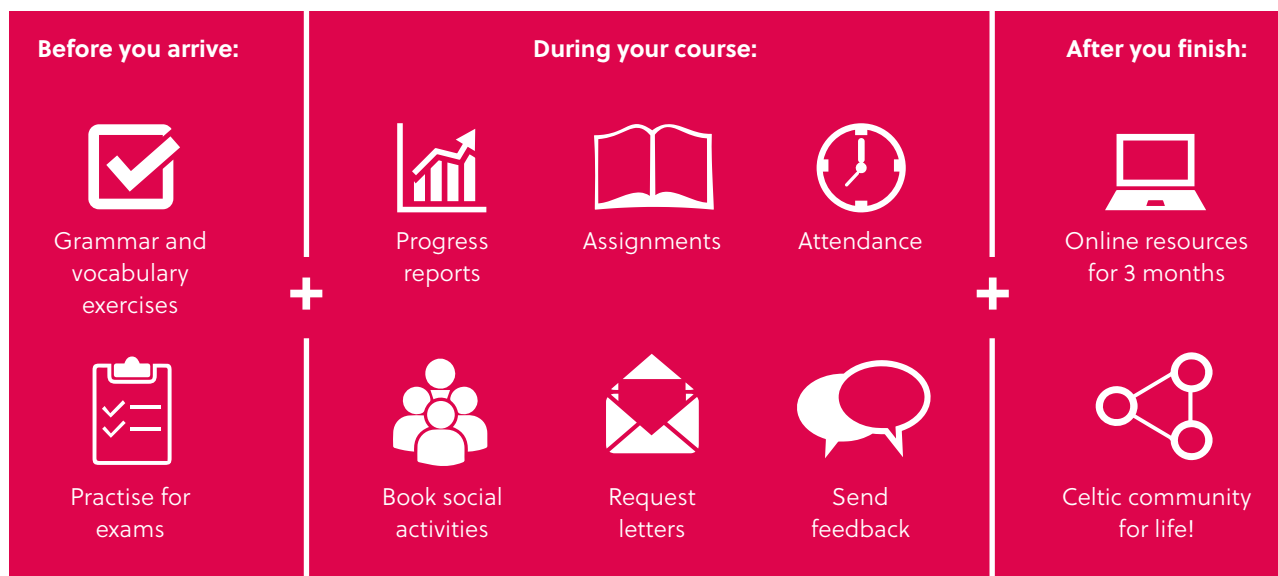
Course Length: 1-50 weeks

Hours: Any

The premium route to English success with personalised private tuition.

Celtic Online.

All students can maximise their learning via our online learning platform 'Celtic Online', which is included in your fees. After registering and paying for your course, you will receive your Celtic Online login details.



All adult courses include:

- Course book
- Celtic Online account*
- First day placement test and induction
- Guided city tour of Cardiff
- Free Internet access
- Progress reports
- Help and advice with further study
- Homework and weekly assignments
- End of course report
- Celtic Certificate of English showing your final level and attendance record (minimum 80%)

* Not included in tailor-made courses

General English.

A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Improve your all-round English ability and increase confidence in your day-to-day use of the language.

Who is this for?

- Students who want to improve their day-to-day use of English
- Students who want to cover all English skills
- Students looking to better their English for educational, professional or personal reasons

Learning outcomes:

- Extend vocabulary and increase fluency
- Become more accurate
- Communicate in English more easily
- Understand more about English-speaking cultures
- Progress to an exam preparation course

In classes with a maximum of just 10 students, you will follow an integrated skills programme which covers the areas of reading, writing, speaking, listening, grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation.

By focusing on these skills and systems, we will help you improve your all-round English ability. Our aim is to increase your confidence in your day-to-day use of the language.

Our General English courses are designed to meet the needs of learners in a variety of English-language settings and aim to bridge the gap between the classroom and the real world.

Once your level of English has improved, you might like to progress to an exam preparation course such as IELTS, BULATS or a Cambridge Exam course (FCE or CAE).

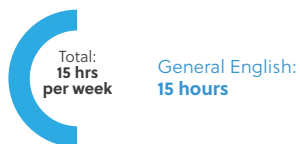


Course Details:

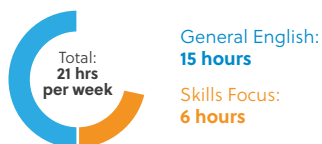
Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Any Monday
Course Length:	1-50 weeks
Minimum age:	16

Course Options:

Basic:



Standard:



Intensive:



Afternoon General English.

A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Subject to demand, usually B1 and above.

**Improve your all-round English ability
with our low-cost afternoon option.**

Who is this for?

- Students who want to improve their day-to-day use of English
- Students who want to cover all English Skills
- Students looking to better their English for educational, professional or personal reasons
- Students who want to study, but who have a lower budget

Learning outcomes:

- Extend vocabulary and increase fluency
- Become more accurate
- Communicate in English more easily
- Understand more about English-speaking cultures
- Progress to an exam preparation course

If you want to improve your English and have all the benefits of studying in small classes at a quality English academy, our Afternoon General English course is ideal for you. Plus, the added benefit of this course is that it is much cheaper, so it's great if you are on a budget and looking for a low-cost option!

This course is designed to meet the needs of learners in a variety of English language situations and follows an integrated skills programme covering the areas of reading, writing, listening, speaking, grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. Our aim is to increase your confidence in your daily use of the language and to bridge the gap between the classroom and the real world.

Once your level of English has improved, you might like to progress to an exam preparation course such as IELTS, BULATS or a Cambridge Exam course (FCE or CAE).



Course Details:

Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Any Monday
Course Length:	1-50 weeks
Minimum age:	16

Course Options:

Basic:



Afternoon General English:
15 hours

Standard:



Skills Focus:
6 hours

Afternoon General English:
15 hours

Ladies-only Classes.

A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

Subject to demand, usually A1 to B1.

For students who prefer to have a female teacher in a class of only female students.

Who is this for?

- Students who want to improve their day-to-day use of English
- Students who want to cover all English skills
- Students looking to better their English for educational, professional or personal reasons

Learning outcomes:

- Extend vocabulary and increase fluency
- Become more accurate
- Communicate in English more easily
- Understand more about English-speaking cultures

We believe in opportunities for all, but we are also sensitive to cultural differences. Our Ladies-only classes offer a study environment where you will appreciate that extra respect has been shown towards your privacy and customs. For example, you can take your break at different times to the main academy timetable to minimise crossover with male students. There are also signs on the doors so members of staff and other students won't come in unexpectedly.

Ladies-only classes are available for government-sponsored or private students. In order to support our Ladies-only students, we also work with local childcare providers to offer discounted childcare rates.

Our Ladies-only course is a great option if you wish to improve your everyday use of English. You will still be able to benefit from our small class sizes with a maximum of just 10 students in each Ladies-only class.



Course Details:

Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Any Monday
Course Length:	1-50 weeks
Minimum age:	16

Course Options:

Basic:



General English:
15 hours

Standard:



General English:
15 hours

Skills Focus:
6 hours

FCE / CAE Cambridge Exam Preparation.



For students looking for an English language qualification with worldwide recognition.

Who is this for?

- Students who want to obtain a formal, internationally recognised English language qualification
- Students who want certification of their English level for employment purposes or university entry
- Students who want to cover all English skills

Learning outcomes:

- Acquire necessary examination techniques to prepare for your Cambridge FCE or CAE examination
- Increase your confidence and accuracy across all English skills
- Communicate in English more easily in professional or educational settings
- Understand more about English-speaking cultures

The Cambridge First Certificate of English (FCE) and the Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE) are internationally-recognised English language qualifications.

You can use these qualifications to improve your career opportunities or to gain university entry. Over 15,000 higher or further educational institutions, government bodies and ministries, as well as companies, accept Cambridge English certificates.

Cambridge examination preparation students should have a minimum of 70% on tests and no less than 80% attendance throughout the course to achieve the best results in the examination.

FCE – First Certificate of English

FCE is a B2 level exam aimed at learners whose command of English is adequate for many practical everyday purposes, including business and further study.

CAE – Certificate of Advanced English

CAE is an advanced-level exam for high level learners and is accepted globally as proof of high achievement. It can be used for employment and university entry.

Please visit our website www.celticenglish.co.uk for more information about examination dates and fees.



Course Details:

Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Set start dates
Course Length:	2-10 weeks
Minimum age:	16

Course Options:

Basic



Cambridge Exam Preparation:
15 hours

Standard:



Cambridge Exam Preparation:
15 hours

Skills Focus:
6 hours

Intensive:



Cambridge Exam Preparation:
15 hours

Afternoon General English:
15 hours



IELTS Exam Preparation.

A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1 IELTS 3.5 - 7.5

**For students planning to go to university
or who want to obtain a certain IELTS score.**

Who is this for?

- Students who are planning to sit the IELTS Academic examination
- Students who want to obtain a formal qualification for higher education purposes or proof of their English ability for a Tier 4 visa application
- Students who want to learn skills and strategies to deal with the IELTS examination
- Students who would like to improve their knowledge of academic English

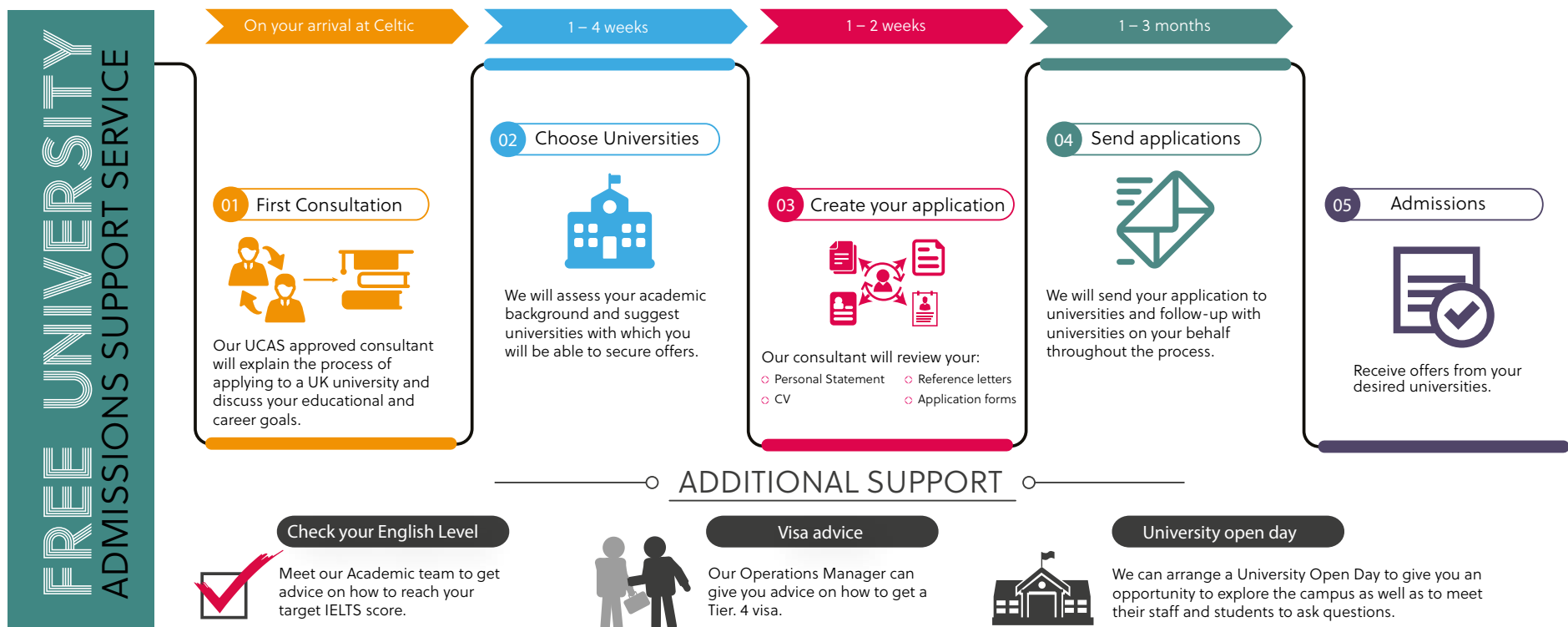
Learning Outcomes:

- Extend academic vocabulary and increase knowledge of Academic English
- Improve accuracy and fluency
- Gain a thorough understanding of the IELTS examination format and question types
- Understand how to answer IELTS examination questions

IELTS is an internationally-recognised English language exam. Most of our students studying for IELTS go on to complete undergraduate or postgraduate courses at universities in the UK or in other English-speaking countries.

Our IELTS Exam Preparation courses are designed as a progression path for learners who wish to advance their skills and knowledge of Academic English. We provide you with strategies for dealing with each aspect of the IELTS examination and we prepare you to sit the exam externally. We can help you book an IELTS examination at our local test centres in Cardiff or elsewhere in the UK.

For IELTS students, progress through the levels is based on maintaining high standards of test scores, attendance, homework and performance in the class. You should achieve a minimum of 70% on tests and have no less than 80% attendance throughout the course to progress to the next level.



At Celtic English Academy, we offer 4 different levels of IELTS preparation course to suit the needs of lower, mid and higher level students. Whilst the ideal entry level is Upper-Intermediate (B2), you may join the course at Pre-Intermediate (B1) or Intermediate level (B1+). You will be placed in the appropriate class depending on your IELTS band score and the band score you are working towards.

IELTS Band Score Chart:

Level 1 - IELTS Introduction	Bands 3.5 - 4.5
Level 2 - Bridge to IELTS	Bands 4.5 - 5.5
Level 3 - IELTS Preparation	Bands 5.5 - 6.5
Level 4 - Advanced IELTS	Bands 6.5 - 7.5

Course Details:

Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Any Monday
Recommended hours per week:	21 or 30 hours
Course Length:	1-50 weeks
Recommended period of study:	12 weeks or more
Minimum age:	16

Course Options:

Basic:



Standard:



Intensive:



BULATS Business English.



Subject to demand, usually B1 and above.

Improve your English skills for the workplace and receive a recognised assessment of your level.

Who is this for?

- Professionals who need to use English in their job
- Students who need English to improve their career opportunities
- Students looking to cover all English skills
- Students looking to develop their knowledge of business English
- Employees or trainees receiving funding for a professional development course e.g. CPF (Compte Personnel de Formation)
- Students or professionals who require certification of their English level for the workplace

Learning outcomes:

- Extend business vocabulary
- Improve accuracy and fluency
- Increase confidence across all English skills
- Communicate more easily in professional situations
- Gain a thorough understanding of the BULATS examination format and question types
- Achieve an internationally-recognised qualification

BULATS (Business Language Testing System) is an internationally-recognised, workplace English test. It is a fast, accurate and reliable way to assess the level of your English for the workplace. BULATS is recognised by employers, educational organisations, government agencies and professional bodies.

Our BULATS Business English course is an ideal course for professionals, trainees or students. The course follows an integrated general skills programme, with a business focus. You will cover the areas of reading, writing, listening, speaking, grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. We aim to increase your confidence in your daily use of the language and to help you gain the practical skills you need to use English in the business environment.

As we are a registered Cambridge ESOL centre you can sit the standard BULATS Reading and Listening exam online at the end of your course. Results are instant and you will be given a certificate at the end of your test. We can also arrange the Speaking and Writing exam, if required.



Course Details:

Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Any Monday
Course Length:	1-5 weeks
Minimum age:	16

Course Options:

Standard:



General English:
15 hours

BULATS Exam Preparation:
6 hours

Executive:



General English:
15 hours

BULATS Exam Preparation:
6 hours

One-to-one:
4 hours

Internship Programme.



Learn English and get first-hand experience in the workplace.

Take the opportunity to combine learning English with work experience in a local company. An Internship Placement is a fantastic addition to any General English or Business English course, provided that you have studied English for a minimum of 2 weeks at Celtic first.

What are the benefits of an Internship Placement?

- Gain invaluable work experience
- Boost your future employability
- Put your English skills into practice
- Expand your workplace knowledge and expertise
- Increase your confidence using English for work
- Add international experience to your CV

You can discuss the areas of work that you are interested in with your Internship Placement Coordinator, who will do their best to offer you a relevant placement, subject to availability.

Internship booking details:

Booking Requirements:	Minimum 6 weeks before course start date
Course Requirements:	Minimum 2 weeks English study
Placement Length:	8 – 26 weeks unpaid
Minimum Age:	18
Minimum Level:	B1
Eligibility:	EU / EEA nationals and students on a Youth Mobility Visa from Japan, Taiwan, South Korea or Hong Kong





Teacher Refresher Courses.

A1 A2 B1 B1+ B2 C1

For overseas primary and secondary school teachers looking for a range of techniques to teach young learners in English.

Who is this for?

- Qualified and practising teachers of English in their own country
- Qualified and practising teachers of any subject in their own country that may require delivery in the medium of English
- Primary or secondary level teachers
- Teachers who wish to improve their own level of English
- Teachers who wish to gain an insight into the British education system
- Teachers looking to network and exchange ideas with their peers

Learning Outcomes:

- Learn about creative activities that can be adapted for use in the classroom
- Gain practical ideas to motivate and engage primary or secondary students
- Develop English language skills and functional language for use in a classroom context
- Establish links with other teachers from different countries



The Teacher Refresher Course we offer at Celtic English Academy is aimed at primary or secondary school teachers of any subject who wish to improve their own level of English and develop innovative practice for teaching English in the classroom.

We aim to provide you with creative lesson ideas, plus motivating activities and resources that can be adapted and applied in your own classroom. You will also be able to develop your own English language skills.

You will have the opportunity to visit a local school to gain an insight into the British education system. We work closely with Cardiff Council's International School Linking Office to coordinate the teaching placements.

Our Teacher Refresher course is eligible for Erasmus+ funding under the (KA1) Key Action 1: Learning Mobility for Individuals criteria.



Teacher Refresher Course:

2 weeks' Teacher Refresher Course

+

1 day per week school placement

Group Requests:

We welcome groups of teachers and we can adapt our Teacher Refresher programme to tailor make a package for your requirements.



Erasmus+

Course Details:

Class Size:	Maximum 10 students
Start Date:	Set start dates
Course Length:	2 weeks
Eligibility:	You must be a qualified teacher in your own country or currently studying for a PGCE or equivalent.

Course Options:

Special:



Residence Accommodation.

If you would like to have your own space and to be more independent, our residence accommodation could be a great option for you.

Our modern residence is a relaxed place to return to after your day at Celtic and a great place to study. Our residence accommodation is located in the heart of Cardiff city centre, within walking distance of our academy.

Standard

Includes:

- Communal living area
- 4ft double bed
- Bedding and towels
- En-suite shower
- WiFi
- Bike racks
- Washing machine
- Tumble dryer

Why should I stay in Residence Accommodation?

- City centre location
- Value for money
- Quality, modern accommodation
- More freedom and independence



(Residence accommodation is only available for students 18+.)

Homestay Accommodation.

If discovering real British culture and way of life is important to you, there's no better way than to stay with a British family.

Living in homestay accommodation offers a unique experience and is one of the best ways to practise English outside the classroom. It also helps you to experience our culture and the British way of life first-hand.

All of our homestay accommodation providers are carefully selected by our team. They are all welcoming and caring, regardless of age or circumstances. We listen carefully to our students' feedback and our personal attention helps guarantee both students and homestay providers are happy.

You can choose from two types of homestay accommodation; standard and superior, either half-board or full-board. If you are under 18, full-board accommodation is compulsory.

All accommodation options above have the following as standard:

- Own room
- Daily breakfast and evening meal
- Bedding and towels
- Communal living area
- Bath or shower
- Washing facilities

Standard Homestay



Superior Homestay



En-suite bathroom

Free Celtic Clubs.



Conversation Café

Open: Every Friday 12:30pm - 1:30pm

Where: Student Lounge

Conversation Café is held every Friday in the Student Lounge. It is designed to help you make friends and practise your English in a relaxed, informal and friendly environment. We have coffee and biscuits too!



Language Doctor

Open: Tuesday and Wednesday
11:00am – 12:00pm | 2:15pm – 3:30pm

Our 'Language Doctor' can help students with any aspect of English that they are experiencing difficulty with. Language Doctor sessions are available by appointment so you can get dedicated assistance with your English problem.



Book Club

Open: Last Friday of every month 1:30pm - 2:15pm

Where: Student Lounge

Celtic Book Club gives all students a chance to read and discuss books together. Once a month, you can select a book and meet to talk about its characters, storyline and theme as well as discuss how the piece could relate to life in the UK.

Student Services.

Airport Pick-up Service

Our airport pick-up service can be booked from most UK airports. A Celtic representative will be at the airport to welcome you after a long day of travelling and take you directly to your accommodation.

Opening a Bank Account

We can issue you with a letter to help you open a bank account in the UK if you are going to study with us for over 6 months.

Student ID Card

You will be issued with a Celtic Student Card at the start of your course. This shows you are a full-time international student and can be used to obtain discounts during your stay.

24-hour Assistance

All students are given a 24-hour emergency telephone number so you can feel completely safe and supported during your stay.

University Support Service

Celtic offers a University Support Service. We can help you with course choices, selecting a university and assisting you through the application process.

Visa Information

Celtic will guide you through the stages of getting your visa and arriving in the UK.

Social Activities.



Celtic's social programme will help you make the most of your time in the UK.

Our social activities give you a chance to practise your speaking skills, make friends from around the world and have fun while exploring a new city and country!

Our social activity calendar can be found on the Celtic Online portal and on posters around the academy. You should also look out for regular social activity updates on our Celtic Facebook page.

You can sign up for social activities and trips on Celtic Online and at Reception.

Bespoke Trips

We are always open to suggestions when it comes to social activities, so if there is anywhere you want to go or anything you want to do, tell us in advance and we'll try our best to organise it for you.

We also offer bespoke trips for groups and individuals. We can help find and book hotels, organise tours and arrange transport to and from Cardiff for destinations throughout the UK. All you need to do is ask and we can happily take care of the rest.

Example of Social Activity costs:

Walking tour of Cardiff	Free
Picnic in the park	Free
Local Festival	Free
National Museum	£2
Pub Quiz	£2
Cinema Night	£7
10-pin bowling	£8
Cocktail Master Class	£25
Full day trip to London	£35
Full day trip to Oxford	£20
Full day trip to Bath	£16
Full day tour of West Wales	£36

Great Britain.

Great Britain is the largest island in the United Kingdom.

Great Britain is made up of England, Scotland and Wales in combination.

Each country has its own capital city:

Wales

Population: 3,092,036.
The capital city is Cardiff.



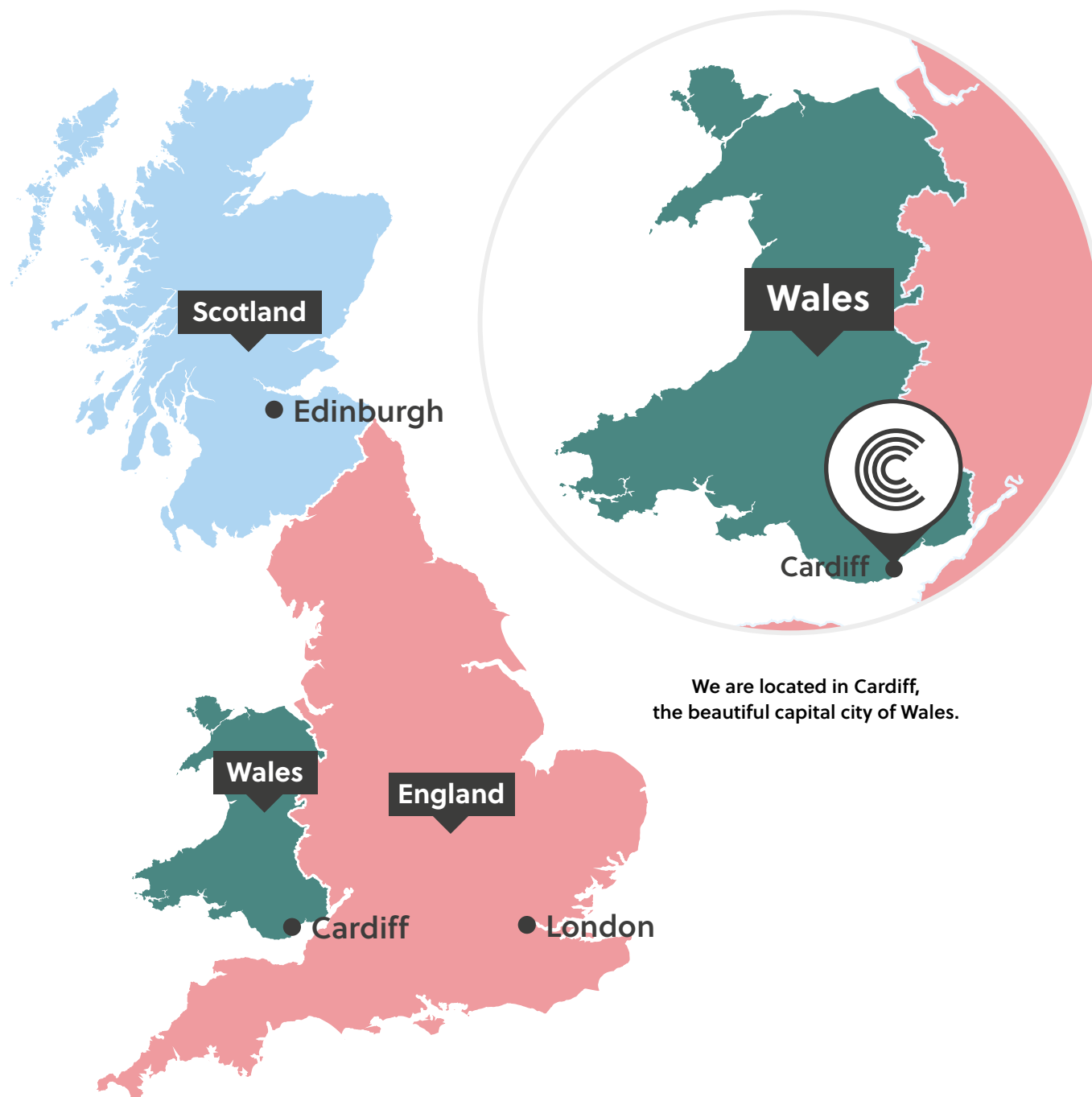
England

Population: 53,012,456.
The capital city is London.



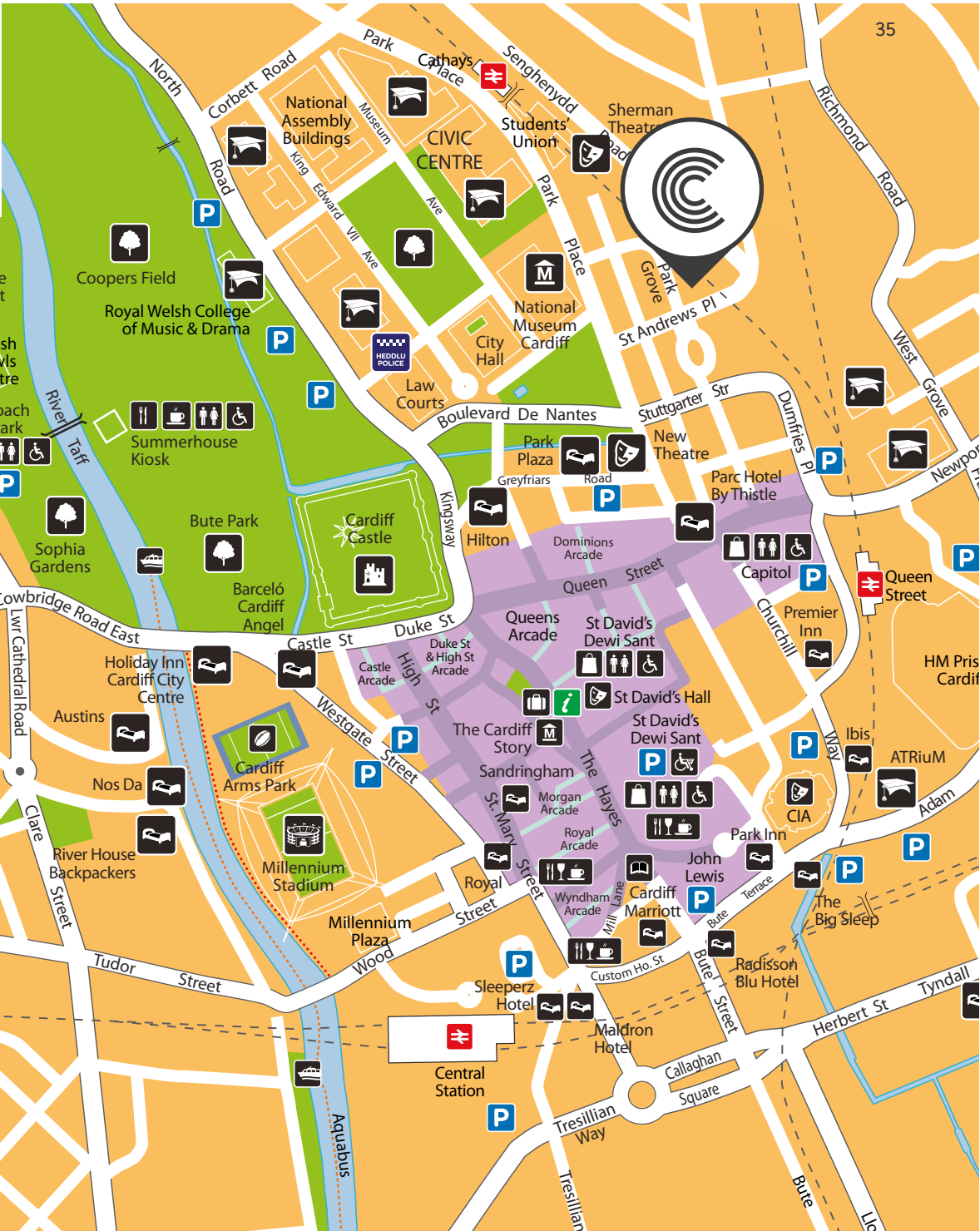
Scotland

Population: 5,347,600.
The capital city is Edinburgh.



**We are located in Cardiff,
the beautiful capital city of Wales.**

A map of the Canton area in Cardiff. The map shows a network of streets in orange, with white lines representing the road layout. Key locations marked include the Chapter Arts Centre (with a theatre mask icon) in the lower left, the Beaufort Guest House, and St David's Hospital (No A&E) in the lower right. A diagonal road, Cathedral Road, runs from the top right towards the center. Along this road, there are three horse-drawn carriage icons, with the top one labeled 'SACO'. To the right of Cathedral Road, a green area represents the Welsh Institute of Sport, with the text 'Always the Town House' nearby. Sophia Close is a street branching off Cathedral Road towards the bottom right. Other labels include 'CANTON' in large letters and 'Welsh Institute of Sport' and 'Welsh Bowls Centre' on the far right edge.





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