



ETC International College

Accredited by the
 **BRITISH
COUNCIL**
for the teaching
of English in the UK



Further Education Brochure

*Effective learning
in a relaxed,
friendly
atmosphere.*



University Preparation

www.etc-inter.net



Approved Centre from Pearson

Contents

4 | Welcome to ETC

- 5 | Stunning location
- 6 | Accreditations
- 7 | Exceeding Expectations
- 8 | Facilities and Services
- 10 | Discover and Explore
- 12 | University Applications
- 14 | EAP
- 14 | IELTS
- 15 | Student Interview

16 | University Preparation Courses

- 16 | Pre-Sessional
- 17 | University Foundation Programme (Business)
- 18 | University Foundation Programme (Computing)
- 19 | University Foundation Programme (Engineering)

- 20 | Student Interview
- 21 | Student Interview

22 | Accommodation

- 22 | Residence
- 23 | Homestay

54 | Contact Us



Welcome to ETC

Great Teaching | Clear Progress | Excellent Service

Stunning location

Golden beaches | 2 hours from London

ETC, accredited by the British Council for teaching English as a foreign language in the UK, is a specialist language college, established in 1989.

We are passionate about language learning and we aim to deliver professional teaching in a relaxed, friendly atmosphere. Choosing to study with us means you can expect great teaching, clear progress and excellent service.

We pride ourselves on offering high quality tuition and service, which are proven through our regular inspections by the British Council and ISI. Being a member of English UK also ensures these standards remain high.

HISTORY

ETC is a family run business, which started with 1 student in 1989. We have come a long way since then, now with 4 buildings, over 40 classrooms and thousands of students studying at ETC each year.

Our course offering is also evolving. Not only do we offer the sought after General English and Exam Preparation courses, but we also have available specialist courses for professionals, university preparation for students and have recently added BTEC accredited HNC and HND courses to our repertoire.

ETC International College is continuously expanding to provide relevant courses to an ever-evolving world.

ETC is in a prime location near Bournemouth town centre and a short walk from the award winning golden sandy beaches. Bournemouth is one of the most popular English study destinations outside of London. In 2016 over 50,000 international students studied in Bournemouth.

ETC Residence

30 seconds



Town Centre

4 minutes



London

2 hours



Beach

5 minutes



Bournemouth Station

15 minutes



Summer Adult Residence

15 minutes



Heathrow Airport

1.5 hours



Bournemouth Library

3 minutes



Oxford

1.5 hours



Gatwick Airport

2.5 hours



New Forest

15 minutes



Southampton

45 minutes



Accreditations

Assuring Quality

ACCREDITATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

The British Council runs Accreditation UK, in partnership with English UK, to ensure all accredited centres maintain or exceed quality standards in areas such as:

- Management
- Resources and environment
- Teaching
- Welfare and (where applicable) care of under 18s.

Accredited by the
BRITISH COUNCIL
for the teaching
of English in the UK



As a **British Council** accredited school with **English UK** membership you can be assured of the **high quality** of tuition and service you will receive at **ETC International College**.



Exceeding Expectations

Grade 1 | Exceeds Expectations

The ISI (Independent Schools Inspectorate) is an independent, government approved body which inspects independent schools. The ISI inspects ETC and our policies to ensure we are providing a high standard of tuition and service, but they also make it a priority to listen to the students.

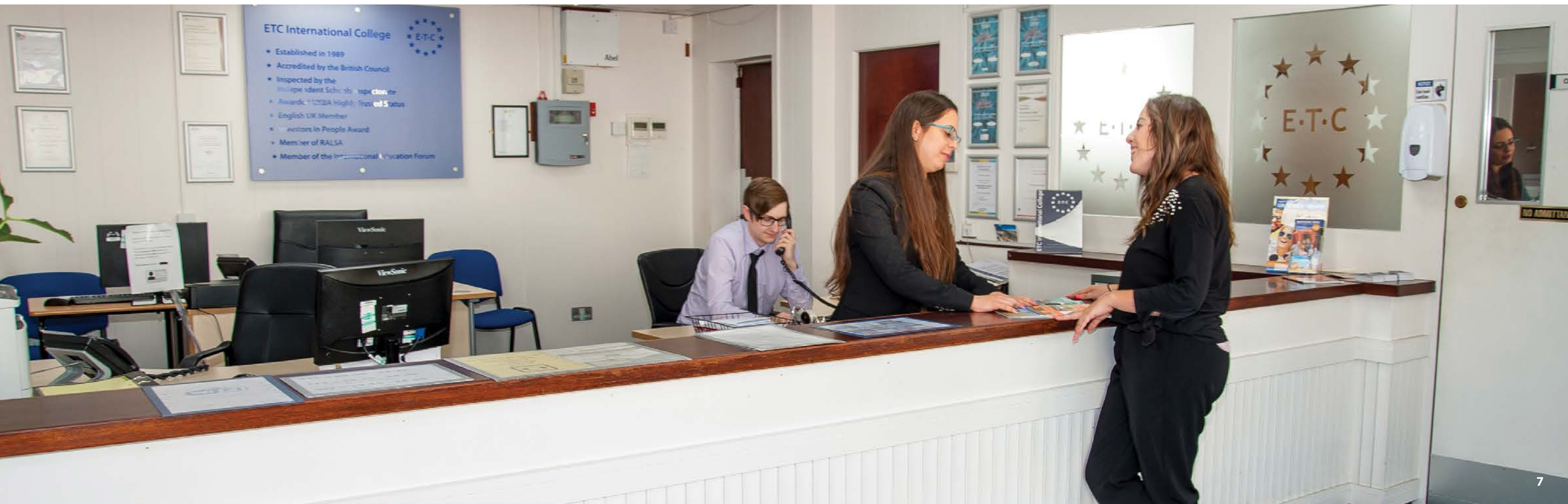
ISI INSPECTION

ETC underwent an inspection from the ISI (Independent Schools Inspectorate) in November 2012, November 2013, December 2015 and November 2016, December 2018 and November 2021 and February 2024. ETC has been consistent in exceeding expectations.



“The College **exceeds expectations** for the **quality of education**. At the time of inspection, all Standards for Educational Oversight were met and **quality is excellent**.”

ISI Report, November 2021



Facilities and Services

FACILITIES TO AID YOUR LEARNING



ETC offers facilities to aid your learning. With interactive whiteboards, voice recording for accent comparison and a free DVD library, you can make the most of your learning in and outside of your lessons.



We offer activities and clubs (both free and chargeable) for adult students to encourage them to interact with other students and practise their English outside of the classroom.



ETC is located a short walk from town and the beach, offering all the amenities you may need within walking distance. Bournemouth also offers great transport links to local and national places within the UK.



Refuel with our great range of nutritious food. We offer a range of hot and cold meals, snacks and refreshments in our on-site cafeteria.



ETC has a residence right next door to the school. Benefit from staying next door to the school and only a 5 minute walk from the beach and town centre. Meet international friends in our ETC Residence.



Living with a family enables students to experience British lifestyle. Practise your English in a comfortable, natural setting.



Student welfare is our top priority. We have a dedicated team of Safeguarding Officers who are on hand if you have a problem. Our welcome boards show some of our staff members with symbols for safeguarding and first aid so you can easily find someone to talk to.



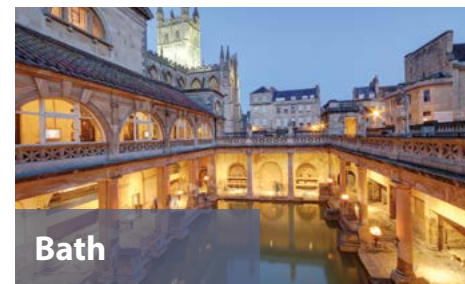
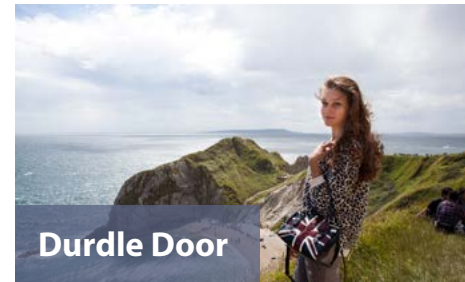
Discover and Explore

Play is just as important as study

Perfectly located, ETC is within walking distance of the beach and Bournemouth town centre. Take some time to enjoy the 7 miles of award winning sandy beaches, the stunning views of the Jurassic coast and the blissful nature displayed in and around the New Forest and the surrounding islands: Brownsea and Studland. With London just 2 hours away and efficient transport links close by, you can explore both local and national places of interest.

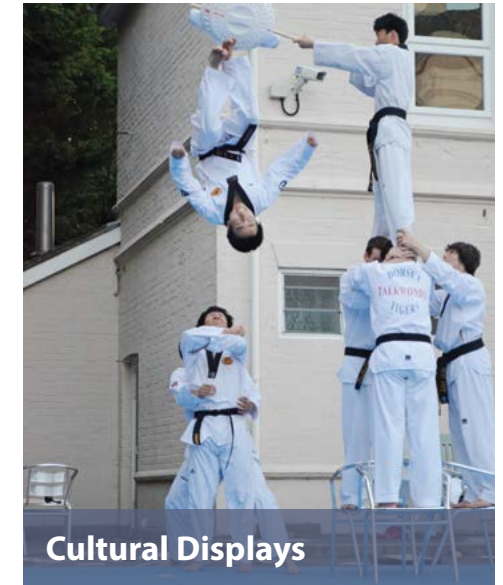
Discover the UK

When you choose ETC and Bournemouth as your study destination you will also be choosing one of the most beautiful locations in England! ETC arranges a variety of activities and excursions so students can make the most of their time in the UK.



Adult Activity Programme

We offer activities and clubs (both free and chargeable) for adult students to encourage them to interact with other students and practise their English outside of the classroom.



University Applications

To UK universities

Entry Requirements: Universities

Most Universities will ask the student for one or a combination of the following:

IELTS 6 or equivalent from an awarding body recognised by the university.

An internal university English Entrance Exam

An achieved CEFR grade of B2 from a college recognised by the university.

University Counselling

Students following our Higher Education programmes are assigned to our University Counsellor, who can help you with your progression to university. Our counsellor helps with:

Finding the university of your choice

Writing your personal statement

Getting letters of recommendation

Completing your university application

Finding out about extra curricular activities

Apply to a UK University

ETC has partnerships with the following universities and we can assist with your application:

- Anglia Ruskin University
- The Arts University Bournemouth
- Bangor University

- Bournemouth University
- Cardiff Metropolitan University
- Coventry University
- De Montfort University
- Kingston University
- University of Lincoln

- University of Liverpool
- Middlesex University
- Portsmouth University
- Southampton Solent
- University of South Wales
- University of Staffordshire

ETC International College has a progression agreements with Bournemouth University and De Montfort University, which means progression is guaranteed to these universities for students to complete their degree qualification at level 6, upon successful completion of selected courses at ETC.



Pictured: Kimmeridge House at Bournemouth University.

Our students have also studied at...

- Cambridge University
- London School of Economics
- UCL (London)
- Warwick University
- University of Derby
- Nottingham University
- Oxford Brookes University

- University of Manchester
- University of Birmingham
- Birmingham City University
- University of Plymouth
- University of Brighton
- University of Buckingham
- University of Nottingham

- Cardiff University
- Bournemouth and Poole College
- University of Waikato, New Zealand
- Middlesex University
- Winchester University
- University of Chichester



EAP (English for Academic Purposes)

Built into all our UFP courses

Following the EAP course will greatly enhance student ability to participate in higher education. Students will learn the appropriate skills and vastly improve their chance of gaining a higher IELTS score.

Following the EAP course provides an average progression rate of a 1.0 IELTS score increase within 12 weeks. This compares to an average score increase of 0.5 in 12 weeks on other pre-foundation English courses.

Students are taught a range of EAP study skills, including:

- Note taking
- Referencing
- Process writing
- Working in teams
- Preparing seminars
- Preparing for lectures
- Research methodology
- Structuring assignments
- Preparing and giving presentations

This course is taught according to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR):

- Grammar
- Vocabulary
- Reading
- Writing
- Listening
- Speaking

Included in all courses, as standard:

- Placement test
- Needs analysis
- Skills development
- Task-based activities
- Proficiency tests
- Tutorials
- Learner skills development
- Progress tests
- Homework
- Academic counselling
- Supportive error correction and constructive feedback.

IELTS (International English Language Testing System)

Accepted by universities and employers



IELTS is accepted by over 10,000 institutions around the world, including universities, colleges and employers in English-speaking countries and beyond. In fact, almost all universities in the UK, Australia, Canada and New Zealand accept IELTS.

You may need an IELTS qualification to get into a university in the UK and our teachers will guide you through the stages of preparation for the IELTS exam, ensure you reach your full-potential and our university counsellor can help you apply for the university course of your choice.

IELTS is recognised and **accepted** by over **10,000 institutions worldwide.**

Student Interview

Hear what our students have to say

Student's name:
Saif Aljneibi

Where are you from?
UAE

What course are you studying at ETC?
UFP: Business

- What is your experience of the UFP Business course so far?**
The course is good so far, there are a lot of students from different countries. So there is a nice mix of culture and the service here is great.

I like the different subjects and different ways of teaching, since not everything is done by learning from the book. There is more interactive and visual learning.
- Have your language skills & knowledge improved since the start of your course?**
My English has improved greatly and so has my knowledge.
- What, specifically, has helped you to improve?**
Classes have different nationalities in them and we speak English to each other and practise in our breaks and lunch.
- How does this course map onto your academic/career progression after ETC?**
This will allow me to go university and then study here in the UK.
- Would you recommend others to study at ETC International College?**
Yes, I would.
- How would you best describe your experience at ETC?**
It's a nice town, there are great people, a lovely learning atmosphere. Learning more about British culture has also been great fun.



Pre-Sessional

This course will equip students with the necessary skills to be successful in a UK or English speaking university at undergraduate or postgraduate levels of education (dependent on the student’s current qualifications).

Course Duration

12 weeks
Please note, some lessons may be delivered online.

Entry Requirements

- ➔ **Qualification:** High School Diploma Year 12 / RQF Level 3 or equivalent.
- ➔ **English Entry Qualification:** 4.5 IELTS or equivalent
- ➔ **Minimum Age:** 17 years +

Certificate

Upon successful completion of the course you will receive an ETC Pre-Sessional Certificate dependent on the nature and achievement of your course of study.

You will also receive an end of course report which will show your estimated CEFR / IELTS English level according to your performance in projects and assignments.

General Level/Experience of Staff

Staff teaching EAP have at least a Diploma in Teaching English as a Foreign Language, such as a DipTESOL or DELTA or a relative Master’s Degree.

Staff teaching English modules hold a CELTA or CertTESOL qualification.

Staff teaching ‘English for’ subjects have a CELTA or CertTESOL qualification and qualifications or experience in the subject area they are teaching.

Pre-Sessional Modules

The Pre-Sessional course includes 4 modules:

- ➔ English for Academic Purposes: EAP Reading EAP Writing EAP Listening EAP Speaking
- ➔ English IELTS English for Special Purposes ICT (Information Communication Technology)

English, EAP and IELTS

English, EAP and IELTS are included in this course (dependent on the student’s English level). Please see page 14 for further details.

English for Special Purposes

Students can choose a specialist subject, related to their intended university course, to study in the English for Special Purposes module. Students will learn English for their subject, including specialist language used in the industry.

Students can choose from a variety of fields, such as:

- ➔ English for Law
- ➔ English for Military
- ➔ English for Tourism
- ➔ English for Business
- ➔ English for Medicine
- ➔ English for Management
- ➔ English for Finance/Accounting
- ➔ English for Information Technology
- ➔ English for Human Resources Management
- ➔ English for Media and Communications/Journalism

Special Requirements

We are usually able to cater for other specialist topics. If you have a special requirement please ask.

Fees and Other Relevant Costs

Tuition fees for new students: £4,060 per 12 week course (this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £3,960 per 12 week course.

Books: A range of books are recommended to supplement teaching and are purchased at the discretion of the student.

University Foundation (UFP) Business

The course prepares students for studying at undergraduate degree level, RQF Level 4.

Course Duration

24 weeks
Please note, some lessons may be delivered online.

Entry Requirements

- ➔ **Qualification:** RQF Level 2 or equivalent (AS-Levels / High School Diploma)
- ➔ **English Level:** 5.0 IELTS or equivalent
- Minimum Age:** 17 years +

Certificate

Upon successful completion of the course you will be presented with a University Foundation Diploma in Business.

This course is designed for students wishing to study Business and related subjects at undergraduate level at a UK-based university.

Credits

This course is designed to be equivalent to 120 credits* at level 3 when studying 36 weeks.

General Level/Experience of Staff

Staff hold a relevant qualification at least one level above the subject level they are teaching and hold a relevant teaching qualification.

Staff come from a range of backgrounds, including academic and industry specialisms. From time to time we may invite guest lecturers or subject specific specialists to take lectures / seminars.

Staff teaching English modules hold a CELTA or CertTESOL qualification.

*Please note this course is not regulated in England.

The ETC University Foundation Programme in Business is aimed at students wishing to enter a UK university. The course prepares students for studying at undergraduate degree level.

English and IELTS

English and IELTS are included in this course (dependent on the student’s English level). Please see page 14 for further details.

Subjects

Students will study content in relation to the following subject areas:

24 week course units:

English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
Academic and Digital Competencies
Advanced Writing and Research Skills
Foundations of Business, Economics and Finance

36 week course units:

General English / IELTS
English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
Academic and Digital Competencies
Advanced Writing and Research Skills
Foundations of Business, Economics and Finance

It is possible for students to substitute modules from other UFP programmes depending on the student’s needs.

Fees and Other Relevant Costs

Tuition fees for new students:

24 week course: £9,796
(this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £9,696 per annum.

36 week course: £14,644
(this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £14,544 per annum.

Books: A range of books are recommended to supplement teaching and are purchased at the discretion of the student.

University Foundation (UFP) Computing

The course prepares students for studying at undergraduate degree level, RQF Level 4.

Course Duration

24 weeks.
Please note, some lessons may be delivered online.

Entry Requirements

- ➔ **Qualification:** RQF Level 2 or equivalent (AS-Levels / High School Diploma)
- ➔ **English Level:** 5.0 IELTS or equivalent
- Minimum Age:** 17 years +

Certificate

Upon successful completion of the course you will be presented with a University Foundation Diploma in Computing.

This course is designed for students wishing to study computing and related subjects at undergraduate level at a UK-based university.

Credits

This course is designed to be equivalent to 120 credits at level 3*

General Level/Experience of Staff

Staff hold a relevant qualification at least one level above the subject level they are teaching and hold a relevant teaching qualification.

Staff come from a range of backgrounds, including academic and industry specialisms. From time to time we may invite guest lecturers or subject specific specialists to take lectures / seminars.

Staff teaching English modules hold a CELTA or CertTESOL qualification.

*Please note this course is not regulated in England.

The ETC University Foundation Programme in Computing is aimed at students wishing to enter a UK university. The course prepares students for studying at undergraduate degree level.

English and IELTS

English and IELTS are included in this course (dependent on the student’s English level). Please see page 14 for further details.

Subjects

Students will study content in relation to the following subject areas:

24 week course units:
English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
Academic and Digital Competencies
Advanced Writing and Research Skills
Foundations of Computing

36 week course units:
General English / IELTS
English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
Academic and Digital Competencies
Advanced Writing and Research Skills
Foundations of Computing

It is possible for students to substitute modules from other UFP programmes depending on the student’s needs.

Fees and Other Relevant Costs

Tuition fees for new students:

24 week course: £9,796
(this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £9,696 per annum.

36 week course: £14,644
(this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £14,544 per annum.

Books: A range of books are recommended to supplement teaching and are purchased at the discretion of the student.

University Foundation (UFP) Engineering

The course prepares students for studying at undergraduate degree level, RQF Level 4.

Course Duration

24 weeks.
Please note, some lessons may be delivered online.

Entry Requirements

- ➔ **Qualification:** RQF Level 2 or equivalent (AS-Levels / High School Diploma)
- ➔ **English Level:** 5.0 IELTS or equivalent
- Minimum Age:** 17 years +

Certificate

Upon successful completion of the course you will be presented with a University Foundation Diploma in Computing.

This course is designed for students wishing to study computing and related subjects at undergraduate level at a UK-based university.

Credits

This course is designed to be equivalent to 120 credits at level 3*

General Level/Experience of Staff

Staff hold a relevant qualification at least one level above the subject level they are teaching and hold a relevant teaching qualification.

Staff come from a range of backgrounds, including academic and industry specialisms. From time to time we may invite guest lecturers or subject specific specialists to take lectures / seminars.

Staff teaching English modules hold a CELTA or CertTESOL qualification.

*Please note this course is not regulated in England.

The ETC University Foundation Programme in Engineering is aimed at students wishing to enter a UK university. The course prepares students for studying at undergraduate degree level.

English and IELTS

English and IELTS are included in this course (dependent on the student’s English level). Please see page 14 for further details.

Subjects

Students will study content in relation to the following subject areas:

24 week course units:
English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
Academic and Digital Competencies
Advanced Writing and Research Skills
Engineering Fundamentals

36 week course units:
General English / IELTS
English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
Academic and Digital Competencies
Advanced Writing and Research Skills
Engineering Fundamentals

It is possible for students to substitute modules from other UFP programmes depending on the student’s needs.

Fees and Other Relevant Costs

Tuition fees for new students:

24 week course: £9,796
(this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £9,696 per annum.

36 week course: £14,644
(this includes a £100 non-refundable enrolment fee).

Tuition fees for existing or continuing students: £14,544 per annum.

Books: A range of books are recommended to supplement teaching and are purchased at the discretion of the student.

Student Interview

HEAR WHAT OUR STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY

Student's name:
Hai Ngo

Where are you from?
Vietnam

What course are you studying at ETC?
Pre-Sessional

- How did the Pre-Sessional course at ETC help in your progression to university / your chosen career path?**
It helped me a lot in improving my English in every aspect especially listening skills for university lectures and ability to take notes.
- Did you receive Academic Counselling whilst at ETC?**
Yes, I did.
- How did this counselling help you to achieve your career / academic goals?**
The counselling helped me get a place at Arts University Bournemouth.
- Would you say your language skill and knowledge improved throughout your course?**
Absolutely.
- What specifically helped your English language level improve the most?**
Listening on radios, correcting my accents, understanding words, phrases of Native Speakers, intensive analysing essays.
- Would you recommend others to come to ETC International College?**
I would recommend the Pre-sessional course at ETC International College.

Student Interview

HEAR WHAT OUR STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY

Student's name:
Hamad Ali

Where are you from?
Qatar

What course are you studying at ETC?
BTEC Mechanical Engineering

- What is your experience of the Mechanical Engineering course so far?**
Nice and a little bit challenging. Course structure great and good teachers.
- Have your language skills & knowledge improved since the start of your course?**
Yes, language skills have improved dramatically.
- What, specifically, has helped you to improve?**
Teachers were the main driving force in helping with English and the English spoken in Bournemouth is not so harsh like in the North.
- How does this course map onto your academic / career progression after ETC?**
Its helped with my math skills and I do not have a specific plan as of yet. I will take my time to make some plans and will maybe do another course.
- Would you recommend others to study at ETC International College?**
Of course, it's a nice school and there are lovely people. The location is great and there's a nice beach.
- How would you best describe your experience at ETC?**
It's a nice town, there're great people, a lovely learning atmosphere. Learning more about British culture has also been great fun.



Residence

OUR ETC RESIDENCE IS NEXT TO THE SCHOOL

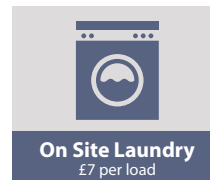
The ETC Residence is located right next door to ETC; a very short walk from one building to the next. We have single, twin, triple and quadruple rooms (offering room only or bed and breakfast).

There is a member of staff on duty at all times and rooms are cleaned once a week. We offer wireless Internet in all rooms and there are study areas for those who want peace and quiet to work in.

Feeling **comfortable** while you are away is as **important** as choosing the right school.

BENEFITS:

- CCTV
- Free Wi-Fi
- Bed and breakfast available
- Sociable atmosphere
- Right next door to ETC
- En-suite facilities in every room
- Accommodates up to 60 students
- Meet friends of different nationalities
- Bed linen and laundry service available
- Student lounge with TV & games facilities



Homestay

EXPERIENCE A BRITISH LIFESTYLE

Living with a family enables students to experience British lifestyle and allows them to practise their English in a comfortable, natural setting.

We endeavour to accommodate our students' preferences with regards to the type of family they wish to stay with i.e. families with or without children, pets, private bathroom etc. (subject to availability).



ETC **carefully** selects homestays to ensure they are of a **high standard**.

EXECUTIVE HOMESTAY

Executive Homestay accommodation includes single room accommodation with en-suite facilities, use of IT facilities and access to the Internet.

BENEFITS

- Experience British culture
- Half board is included
- Homestays are located either within walking distance or on a local bus route to the town centre, making getting to ETC easy.
- Spend time with a caring family and practise your English outside of the classroom.



Contact Us



WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY:

“ The time I had at [ETC] school was absolutely fantastic. Especially the teachers are very enthusiastic and passionate in teaching English for students and introducing something British. They have delivered me not only good English language, but also more opportunities in relation to my future. Owing to such high standard education I could manage to enter University of Nottingham for my master’s course in civil engineering. Fortunately I have completed my study with good result and have found a job in Norwich. I am very much excited with the new life. ”

Jin Su Im



ETC International College | 22-26 West Hill Road | Bournemouth | BH2 5PG

Tel: +44 (0) 1202 559 044 | Fax: +44 (0) 1202 780 162

www.etc-inter.net | english@etc-inter.net