



SERC International College of English

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Reasons to Choose SERC International School of English

Take in the unique beauty of Northern Ireland and improve your English at the same time. All English courses are delivered by professionals and are designed to help you to improve your language skills.

SERC is an award winning, top 20 UK community college and has been deemed as outstanding in many subjects. With over 30,000 enrolments each year we are experts in delivering high quality courses in world-class learning environments. English courses are delivered in the language centre at our Bangor campus, a County Down seaside town, which offers a mix of scenery and entertainment. Bangor is 12 miles from Belfast, Northern Ireland's capital, and has excellent transport links to the rest of the country.

Have some serious fun – studying English at SERC guarantees you a fun filled holiday! From kite surfing to paintballing, tours of Belfast and Dublin to canoeing we have a range of activities to suit your needs. We have partners with local activity and entertainment providers and can offer you cost effective rates and discounts. We offer packages which include an English course and a menu of optional activities for you to choose from.

We have over 90 years experience in delivering training for 30,000 enrolments each year.

1. We teach hundreds of people how to speak English as a foreign language each year.
2. We have a range of courses available to suit your needs from 1 week to 4 weeks and including 1:1 support.
3. We offer a safe learning environment with the best facilities.
4. We have experienced, friendly teaching staff who will support you to meet your goals.
5. We have professional staff in pastoral care services such as careers guidance, learning support and counselling.
6. Our courses are tailored to your proficiency level and you will be in classes with others at the same level.
7. Northern Ireland has an exciting range of activities from canoeing to paintballing.



A Range of Courses

BEGINNERS' COURSE (GENERAL)

These courses are suitable if you have little or no previous knowledge of English. The focus is on fluency and the beginner's course aims to improve your English by giving you a practical understanding of the English language. The four skills (Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking) are all taught using a variety of methods including conversation with native English speakers in real life situations, specially designed text books and course materials as well as the use of technology through the Sony Virtuoso Language software.

INTERMEDIATE COURSE

These courses are suitable for those who understand the language but with some difficulty, can read simple texts and are capable of expressing themselves in limited areas. Intermediate courses are also suitable for students who have a good general understanding but sometimes have gaps in grammar, accentuation and vocabulary.

INTENSIVE COURSES

These courses are suitable for those who want to learn English as quickly as possible for academic or professional reasons.

ONE-TO-ONE SESSION

One-to-One tuition is the ultimate course for making maximum progress during a short period of time. It is your ideal course if you wish to improve your level significantly in a short time and you would like to have targeted learning in areas of weakness or areas where you are lacking confidence.

ADVANCED COURSES

These courses are suitable for advanced level learners who wish to improve their language competence and other professionals who need to express themselves through spoken and written English.

One-to-one sessions are ideal if you feel you would benefit from uninterrupted teacher attention where you can build a one on one relationship with an experienced teacher. This course, which is 100% focused on your English language requirements is designed by your teacher to suit your specific needs. This is the most flexible and personal course available.



COURSE DATES & FEES

| Courses | 1 Week | 2 Weeks | 3 Weeks | 4 Weeks |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------|---------|--------------|
| Beginners | £185 | £350 | £510 | £660 |
| Intermediate | £185 | £350 | £510 | £660 |
| Advanced | £185 | £350 | £510 | £660 |
| Intensive | £185 | £350 | £510 | £660 |
| One to One | Number of hours –To be agreed. | | | £40 per hour |

Courses start every week on the following dates:

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| Monday | Monday | Monday | Monday | |
| 2nd July | 9th July | 16th July | 23rd July | |

FACILITIES

SONY VIRTUOSO

A multi media language learning software programme that allows students to work with audio and video material, use interactive exercises and websites and link together themed resources into text, audio, video and gap-fill exercises.



LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE

Library with reference books and materials that students can borrow.

COMPUTERS

Students can use college computers to access the internet to research, send emails or view CD-Roms.

FREE WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

BEATA

Polish native, Beata, 46 has been studying this course for 2 years, she says when she started this course she had difficulty communicating. The course has helped her improve her English and now she is enjoying her time in Northern Ireland much more because she has the ability to communicate with people. She commented; "I recommend SERC to everyone who needs to improve their language and who has a problem with speaking and grammar, the tutors are very helpful."

EWA JAWOREK

Ewa Jaworek, 35, from Poland started an English language course at SERC in September 2010. She is very pleased with the college environment and is enjoying her time at SERC. She says SERC's learning environment is very professional and she is getting a high level of education. Not only is she enjoying her time at SERC but also enjoying her time in Northern Ireland.



VOCATIONAL CLASSES

You can develop your skills and practice your English at the same time with craft and catering classes.

Options include:



IRISH CUISINE

Become a master of Irish cuisine and wow your friends back home as you learn the skills to prepare traditional Irish dishes.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Take in some of the scenic beauty of Northern Ireland and learn how to perfect your photography skills. Get creative with portraits and landscapes, and keep your Northern Ireland memories forever.



CONTEMPORARY JEWELLERY DESIGN

Learn how to create beautiful and intricate pieces of jewellery, as taught by our experts from within the design field.



ACCOMODATION

There are many accommodation options within the Bangor and surrounding areas depending on your budget, from youth hostels to Bed and Breakfasts and hotels.

To find a suitable accommodation search

www.nitb.co.uk; www.ymca.co.uk; www.clanboyelodge.com; www.marinecourthotel.net; www.strangfordhotel.com

ACTIVITY MENU

Choose from a range of exciting activities including

- Kite Surfing
- Rock climbing
- Canoeing
- Mountain Biking
- Karting
- Football
- Paintballing
- City centre treasure hunt
- Residential/overnight stays at Mourne Mountains and Sperrins which include activities such as mountain biking.
- Visits to Northern Ireland's most popular tourist destinations like the Giant's Causeway, Saint Patrick's Centre and Somme Heritage Centre.
- Sightseeing tour of Belfast including the Titanic Quarter and sightseeing tour of Dublin including the Guinness factory.



You will need to pre-book and pay for your activities 10 days prior to your arrival.



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