

INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES

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1 & 2 WEEK COURSES FOR EUROPEAN TEACHERS OF ENGLISH FOCUSING ON LITERATURE

CHELTENHAM	:	Friday 05 October – Friday 19 October 2012	Fee: €1098	Accom €639	Total: €1737
CHELTENHAM	:	Friday 05 October – Sunday 14 October 2012	Fee: €899	Accom €486	Total: €1385

This course is designed to give teachers of English the opportunity to update their knowledge of contemporary literature and provide them with fresh ideas and techniques for teaching English literature and for using poetry, stories and drama in their English language classes.

CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL OF LITERATURE

THE COURSE WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL OF LITERATURE, AN IMPORTANT ANNUAL NATIONAL FESTIVAL, INVOLVING PROMINENT CONTEMPORARY BRITISH WRITERS.

The 2012 Festival events have not yet been finalised. However, Festival events span theatrical performances, poetry readings, literary debates and discussions, interviews with and presentations by famous novelists, poets and dramatists (eg in recent festivals: Martin Amis, Edna O'Brien, Rose Tremain, Ian McEwan, David Hare, Seamus Heaney, etc). Emphasis is mainly, but not entirely, on modern literature. (There is normally a 'Shakespeare Lecture' by a prominent Shakespearean actor). Non-fiction topics, such as politics, history, science and gardens, also feature.

COURSE CONTENT:

The course will comprise the following elements:

- Attendance at at least 6 events of the Cheltenham Festival of Literature** (mainly contemporary English literature).
(There will also be plenty of opportunities for participants to attend further events of their own choice at their own expense. Most events last one hour and cost between £6 and £13. Full details of the 2012 Festival will be available in August 2012).
- A one day Methodology Session with a trainer of British teachers of English Literature** on:
 - Introducing Aspects of Life in Modern Britain through Literary Texts
 - Techniques for Teaching English Literature (contemporary theatre, prose and poetry)
 - Texts used for Teaching Literature in British Schools including Literature for Teenagers
 - Opportunity for participants to exchange ideas on authors featured in the festival and on teaching literature
- Shakespeare's Theatre** – a performance of a Shakespeare play at The Royal Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon, preceded by a workshop on Shakespeare's theatre and an introduction to the play.
- A two day Methodology Seminar: 'Teaching Literature in the EFL Classroom'** by a prominent EFL teacher trainer. Participants are introduced to a variety of approaches and techniques for dealing with different literary genres (novels, short stories, poems, etc). They are provided with extensive bibliographical and internet support as well as practical ideas and teaching materials which they can use with their classes. The use of film and literary extracts on DVD is incorporated into the programme.
- Two day visits to secondary schools** including observation of English literature and modern language classes and opportunities for discussion with teachers and pupils. (2 week course only).
- Workshop on Teaching English as a Foreign Language** conducted by expert teacher trainers with many years experience in training European teachers of English and a wealth of ideas to impart. (2 days on 2 week course, 1 day on week course).

A wide range of teaching ideas and activities designed to make language lessons more enjoyable and worthwhile will be discussed and shared. Emphasis will be on motivating pupils through a variety of activities which engage their imaginations & creativity - innovative role play & drama activities, use of the media, poetry and stories. The workshop will include: Recent Developments in the English Language and Advanced Language Practice, giving teachers the opportunity to polish their own language skills.

LOCATION:

CHELTENHAM: Population: 108,000; 98 miles (157 kilometres) west of London (2 hours by rail, 2½ hours by coach). Cheltenham is an elegant spa town, situated on the edge of the Cotswold Hills, which are famous for their picturesque stone villages. Cheltenham is known for its Regency architecture, wide tree-lined streets, parks and gardens and it has many attractive residential areas.

TOTAL PRICE: comprises:

(a) **Course Fee:** to include:

Full programme of study sessions and visits, theatre visit and Literature Festival events as itemised above

NB. Participants are responsible for paying their own daily transport costs, including transport to secondary schools.

Optional excursions are not included in the price.

(b) **Host Family Accommodation:** to include:

Full board accommodation with a local family (inclusive of registration fee): 14 nights or 9 nights
(Teachers may request to be the only guest of their mother tongue or to stay in the same family as a colleague).

Host families are carefully selected and offer a friendly welcome and opportunities to chat and learn more about life in Britain today. Participants often find that the experience of staying with a host family is one of the most memorable aspects of the course. Accommodation is in single rooms (unless participants request to share). Breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal are provided by the host family. (Food allergies, likes and dislikes are taken into account.)

Please note that many of the suitable residential areas are not within walking distance of the town centre, and most host families are an easy bus ride from the town centre/tuition centre. Local transport from host families to the town centre and local schools is at the participants' own expense and is likely to cost 15-30 Euro per week.

Additional nights with host families can be arranged, giving participants extra time for individual research and visits. Accommodation can be provided for family members (but not unaccompanied children) subject to availability. (Rates on request).

PAYMENT:

Full payment will be due 2 months before the course begins, or for teachers awaiting Comenius funding – as soon as the Comenius grant is received. Cancellation charges apply for cancellations 4 weeks or less before the course commences. 3-4 weeks before arrival: cancellation fee: 380 Euros. No refund for cancellations within 3 weeks of arrival. Cancellation insurance can be arranged through Endsleigh Insurance.

TRAVEL:

Transport to and from Cheltenham at the beginning and end of the course is not provided and International Study Programmes regrets that it is unable to assist with travel arrangements. The most convenient airport for this centre is Heathrow as there is a direct coach from London (Victoria) and Heathrow to Cheltenham.

For enquiries and timetables:

National Express Coach:	www.nationalexpress.com	0044-121-625 1122
Rail:	www.thetrainline.com	0044-191-227 5959

There is also a useful website www.transportdirect.info which will assist in planning a journey within the UK using every form of transport.

INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES:

International Study Programmes has 30 years experience in organising courses for Teachers of English on behalf of European Ministries of Education and In-service Teacher Training Institutes. International Study Programmes' team of teacher trainers includes highly respected trainers such as Graham Workman and Dr Diana Hicks (author of 'Cambridge English for Schools' and 'Cambridge English Worldwide').

COMENIUS / GRUNDTVIG GRANTS:

These courses are listed in the Comenius/Grundtvig Database and have Comenius reference numbers.

Eligible applicants may apply to the European Union for Comenius/Grundtvig funding.

Grant applications should be made to participants' National Agency for the Lifelong Learning Programme (formerly Socrates).

Deadline: 30 April 2012 for courses starting 01 September – 31 December 2012

2 WEEK COURSE FOR EUROPEAN TEACHERS OF ENGLISH FOCUSING ON LITERATURE

CHELTENHAM: FRIDAY 05 OCTOBER - FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER 2012

DRAFT PROGRAMME

DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
FRIDAY 05 OCTOBER	CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL OF LITERATURE COMMENCES		Arrive Cheltenham
SATURDAY 06 OCTOBER	1000- Welcome 1030 1100- Attendance at Cheltenham 1200 Festival of Literature Event	Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events	2000- Attendance at 2100 Cheltenham Festival of Literature Event
SUNDAY 07 OCTOBER	1100- Attendance at Cheltenham 1200 Festival of Literature Event	1400- Attendance at Cheltenham 1500 Festival of Literature Event	Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events
MONDAY 08 OCTOBER	0900- Introduction 1030 1100- Walking tour of Cheltenham 1230	1400- Workshop on Shakespeare's 1700 Theatre	Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events
TUESDAY 09 OCTOBER	0900- Workshop on Teaching 1230 English as a Foreign Language	1330- Workshop on Teaching English 1630 as a Foreign Language	Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events
WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER	0900- Day visit to a secondary school including observation of English 1600 Literature and Modern Languages lessons		1945- Attendance at 2115 Cheltenham Festival of Literature Event
THURSDAY 11 OCTOBER	0900- Workshop on Introducing 1300 Aspects of Life in Modern Britain through Literary Texts	1400- Workshop with a Trainer of 1630 British Teachers of Literature: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Techniques for Teaching English Literature (contemporary theatre, prose and poetry) •Texts used for Teaching Literature in British Schools including literature for Teenagers •Opportunity to exchange ideas on authors featured at the Festival 	Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events
FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER	0900- Day visit to a secondary school including observation of 1600 English Literature and Modern Languages lessons		Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events
SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER	1030- Attendance at Cheltenham 1130 Festival of Literature Event	Individual Attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature	1945- Attendance at 2115 Cheltenham Festival of Literature Event
SUNDAY 14 OCTOBER	Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature events or Optional visit to Bath with literary/historical tour		Individual attendance at Cheltenham Festival of Literature Events CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL OF LITERATURE ENDS

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MONDAY 15 OCTOBER	0900- Seminar on Teaching Literature 1230 in the EFL Classroom	1330- Seminar on Teaching Literature 1630 in the EFL Classroom	
TUESDAY 16 OCTOBER	0900- Seminar on Teaching Literature 1230 in the EFL Classroom	1330- Seminar on Teaching Literature 1630 in the EFL Classroom	
WEDNESDAY 17 OCTOBER	0900- Workshop on Teaching 1230 English as a Foreign Language and Advanced Language Practice	1330- Workshop on Teaching English 1630 as a Foreign Language and New Developments in the English Language 1630- Evaluation Session 1730	
THURSDAY 18 OCTOBER	0800- Educational visit to Stratford-upon-Avon 1900 Opportunity for individual visits eg. Mary Arden's House & Shakespeare's Birthplace Walk through historic Stratford-upon-Avon	1300 Attend a Shakespeare Play at The Royal Shakespeare Theatre Return via Cotswold towns of Broadway & Chipping Campden	
FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER	Depart Cheltenham		

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