

## **INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES**

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### **ONE WEEK COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF GEOGRAPHY AT SECONDARY LEVEL (Ages 10-19) CHELTENHAM: SATURDAY 01 JULY - SUNDAY 09 JULY 2017**

#### ***COURSE OBJECTIVES:***

The course aims to provide teachers with:

- an insight into the teaching of Geography in British Secondary Schools
- an opportunity to compare the teaching of Geography in different European countries, to exchange ideas and develop links with teachers from other European countries
- an insight into different aspects of British Geography and historical heritage

#### ***COURSE CONTENT:***

1. **Lecture on Secondary Education in Britain**
2. **Lecture on the Teaching of Geography in British Secondary Schools**
3. **Workshop: Practical ideas for teaching Geography.**
4. **Discussion** comparing the teaching of Geography in the different countries represented – curriculum, materials, methods, standards, assessment, national education policies, etc. – with a British Geography teacher
5. **A day visit to a secondary school.** Observe Geography lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers
6. **A day Workshop on C.L.I.L.** (Content and Language Integrated Learning) focusing on Geography
7. **Geographical visits including:**
  - The Big Pit National Mining Museum of Wales
  - Cardiff Bay (Docks Regeneration Area)

#### ***LOCATION:***

**CHELTENHAM, England:** Population: 108,000; 98 miles (157 kilometres) west of London (2¼ hours by rail)  
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, colourful parks and gardens and it has many attractive residential areas.

**TOTAL PRICE:** 1436 Euro comprises:

**(a) COURSE FEE:** to include:

Full programme of study sessions and visits as itemised above.

NB. Participants are responsible for paying their own daily transport costs, including transport to schools. Optional visits are not included in the price.

**(b) HOST FAMILY ACCOMMODATION:** to include:

Full board accommodation with a local family (inclusive of registration fee): 8 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).

Participants wishing to arrange their own (hotel or self-catering) accommodation may pay a fee for the course only.

**PAYMENT:**

Full payment will be due 2 months before the course begins, or for teachers awaiting funding – as soon as the 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. Applicants are strongly advised to take out cancellation insurance.

**TRAVEL:**

Transport 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 airports: Heathrow (direct National Express Coach to Cheltenham), Birmingham (rail to Cheltenham) or Bristol (airport bus then rail to Cheltenham).

For enquiries and timetables:

<b>National Express Coach:</b>	<a href="http://www.nationalexpress.com">www.nationalexpress.com</a>	0044-871 781 81 81
<b>Rail:</b>	<a href="http://www.thetrainline.com">www.thetrainline.com</a>	0044-871 244 15 45

There is also a useful website [www.traveline.info](http://www.traveline.info) which will assist in planning a journey within the UK using every form of transport.

**~~INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES:~~**

**INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES has over 30 years' experience in designing teacher development courses for European Ministries of Education, teacher-training institutes and schools and has a well-founded reputation for providing quality courses.**

**ISP is an experienced provider of European Union funded programmes in the UK. As a course provider with many courses in the former Comenius Database and now in cooperation with many Erasmus+ funded schools, ISP has successfully arranged a wide variety of courses for thousands of European teachers funded by the European Union.**

**ISP offers an unusually wide variety of teacher development courses, not only for teachers of English and CLIL but also for teachers of other subjects including science, music, art and drama as well as for headteachers and inspectors, in a wide variety of locations in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Each course is designed to meet the training needs of specific types of teachers.**

**~~ERASMUS+ GRANTS:~~**

**Schools may apply for Erasmus+: Key Action 1 funding for their teachers to attend courses in the UK.**

(Individual teachers may no longer apply for grants.)

Teachers with Erasmus+ funding and those paying with their own or other funds are welcome to apply for listed ISP courses.

ISP is also pleased to design tailor-made courses to meet the needs of closed groups of teachers from one school.

The annual Erasmus+ deadline is 2 February 2016 for courses starting 1 June 2016 – 31 December 2017, and in February 2017 for courses starting 1 June 2017 – 31 December 2018.

Schools should first register on-line to obtain a Personal Identification Code (PIC) number for the school.

Applications for funding should then be made on-line to applicants' National Agency for Erasmus+.

International Study Programmes will be happy to help with information and advice for your school's Erasmus+ application.

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DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
SATURDAY 1 JULY			Arrive Cheltenham
SUNDAY 2 JULY	Welcome Free day for individual research or optional visits, eg. Oxford and Cotswold villages		
MONDAY 3 JULY	0900- Introduction 1030  1100- Lecture: 'Secondary Education in England: Recent Developments and Current Issues' 1300	1400- Walking Tour of Cheltenham 1530	
TUESDAY 4 JULY	0830- Day visit to a Secondary School 1600 Observe Geography lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers		
WEDNESDAY 5 JULY	0900- Workshop on C.L.I.L. (Content & Language Integrated Learning) focusing on Geography 1230	1330- Workshop on C.L.I.L. focusing on Geography 1630	Optional evening in an historic pub
THURSDAY 6 JULY	0830- Geographical visits in South Wales 1830  1000- Visit The Big Pit National Coal Mining Museum of Wales at Blaenavon World Heritage Site 1230		1330- Visit Cardiff Bay 1530 (Docks Regeneration Area)
FRIDAY 7 JULY	0900- Lecture: The National Curriculum in Geography & The Teaching of Geography in British Secondary Schools. 1230 Discussion comparing the teaching of Geography in England and the different European countries represented – curriculum, materials, methods, standards, assessment, national education policies with a Geography Teacher	1400- Workshop: Practical ideas for teaching Geography with a British Geography teacher. Participants are invited to share practical ideas used in their own Geography classes.  1700- Evaluation Session 1800	
SATURDAY 8 JULY	1000- Geographical Field Studies 1600		
SUNDAY 9 JULY	Depart Cheltenham		