

INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMMES

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BRITAIN TODAY:

Teaching Activities and Stimulating Materials on British Life & Culture for Secondary English Classes

COURSE FOR EUROPEAN TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

CHELMSFORD, ENGLAND 2018

2 WEEKS:	Monday 19 March – Sunday 1 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1998
1 WEEK:	Saturday 24 March – Sunday 1 April	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436
2 WEEKS:	Sunday 28 October – Friday 9 November	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1896
1 WEEK:	Saturday 27 October – Sunday 4 November	Total fee including course + accommodation:	€1436

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

These courses are designed for teachers of English to learners aged 11-19 and 16+. Participants will have the opportunity:

- to keep abreast of changes in British Life and Society and the Education System and of new developments in the English Language
- to gain a huge variety of new teaching ideas & motivating materials ready to use in the classroom with the focus on Britain Today.
- to improve/perfect their language skills
- to exchange ideas and develop links with teachers from different European countries.

COURSE CONTENT:

1. Workshops on Teaching English as a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today (3 days)

The workshops will look at present-day British life, culture and language and will provide teaching ideas for creative classroom activities relating to different aspects of Life in Britain Today including:

- Varieties of spoken English in Britain
- Developments in modern spoken English
- British humour
- Food and eating habits in Britain
- The school system in Britain
- Stereotypes of Britain and the British
- Modern Youth Culture
- Landmarks in British history
- Multiculturalism
- The British Parliamentary system
- Facts and figures about life in Britain

Many ready-made teaching materials will be provided for all the above topics.

This is a highly practical course so participants will also have the opportunity to design their own classroom materials on life in Britain to use with their learners. Participants will present and share the materials they produce. Detailed and creative feedback and guidance will be provided by the course tutor. There will be input on task-based learning for designing classroom activities, including project-based work and film production possibilities for learners. The use of popular films and documentaries will also be explored. By the end of the course, participants will have a range of materials which they will be ready to exploit with their learners.

- 2. Advanced Language Practice:** 1,2 or 3 days of language training, giving teachers the opportunity to polish their own language skills.
- 3. Visit to the Houses of Parliament and London**
- 4. 2 or 3 Day visits to secondary schools, vocational colleges or adult education colleges** (as requested) with an opportunity to observe lessons (2 week courses only)
- 5. Lecture & Discussion: The Education System: Recent Developments & Current Issues**
- 6. Lecture: Multicultural Britain**

LOCATION:

CHELMSFORD, England: Population: 156,000, 37 miles (60 kilometres) north-east of London (½ hour by rail).

The county town of Essex, Chelmsford is a pleasant town in an attractive rural area with many pretty villages. It has good shopping and sports facilities and is very conveniently situated for visits to London as well as Cambridge.

TOTAL PRICE (as detailed on Page 1) comprises:

(a) COURSE FEE to include:

Full programme of study sessions and visits as itemized above.

NB. Participants are responsible for paying their own daily transport costs including transport to schools/ colleges. 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, 12 or 13 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 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 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 airport for Chelmsford is Stansted, as there is a direct bus link to Chelmsford. If arriving at other airports, travel to Chelmsford is via central London.

For enquiries and timetables:

National Express Coach:

www.nationalexpress.com

0044-871 781 81 81

Rail:

www.thetrainline.com

0044-871 244 15 45

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

PREPARATION: Participants complete a detailed questionnaire before the course starts to ascertain their level of experience and training, as well as the age groups and types of learners they teach. Suggestions for pre-course reading are given.

EVALUATION: At the end of the course teachers participate in a detailed evaluation of the course.

FOLLOW UP: At the end of the course teachers are asked to consider which aspects of the course will be the most relevant to their own teaching situations. On their return they are invited to keep a record of how they have been able to utilise ideas gained on the course in their own classrooms. They are encouraged to share their experiences with their fellow participants by email. Teachers will also have email access to the teacher trainers for discussion and advice after the course.

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 2017 for courses starting 1 June 2017 – 31 December 2018, and in February 2018 for courses starting 1 June 2018 – 31 December 2019.

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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2 WEEK COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

CHELMSFORD: MONDAY 19 MARCH – SUNDAY 1 APRIL 2018

DRAFT PROGRAMME

DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
MONDAY 19 MARCH			Arrive Chelmsford
TUESDAY 20 MARCH	0900- Welcome and introduction 1000 1015- Advanced Language Practice 1315	1400- Advanced Language Practice 1700	Optional evening in a traditional pub
WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH	0830- Day visit to a Secondary school or college 1600 Observe lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers		
THURSDAY 22 MARCH	0830- Day visit to a Secondary school or college 1600 Observe lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers		
FRIDAY 23 MARCH	0830- Day visit to a Secondary school or college 1600 Observe lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers		
SATURDAY 24 MARCH	Free for individual research or Optional visit to Cambridge		
SUNDAY 25 MARCH	Free for individual research or Optional visit to London		
MONDAY 26 MARCH	0930- Lecture: Multicultural Britain 1200	1400- Lecture & Discussion: The Education 1630 System: Recent Developments & Current Issues	
TUESDAY 27 MARCH	0900- Advanced Language Practice 1230	1330- Advanced Language Practice 1630	
WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH	0900- Workshop on Teaching English as 1230 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	1330- Workshop on Teaching English as 1630 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	
THURSDAY 29 MARCH	0900- Workshop on Teaching English as 1230 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	1330- Workshop on Teaching English as 1630 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	
GOOD FRIDAY 30 MARCH	0900- Workshop on Teaching English as 1230 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	1330- Workshop on Teaching English as 1630 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today 1630- Evaluation session 1730	
SATURDAY 31 MARCH	0900- Day visit to London. Visit Houses of Parliament 2100		
EASTER SUNDAY 1 APRIL	Depart Chelmsford		

BRITAIN TODAY:**Teaching Activities and Stimulating Materials on British Life & Culture for Secondary English Classes****1 WEEK COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH****CHELMSFORD: SATURDAY 24 MARCH - SUNDAY 1 APRIL 2018****DRAFT PROGRAMME**

DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
SATURDAY 24 MARCH			Arrive Chelmsford
SUNDAY 25 MARCH	Free for individual research or Optional visit to Cambridge		
MONDAY 26 MARCH	0900- Welcome and introduction 1000 1030- Lecture: Multicultural Britain 1230	1400- Lecture & Discussion: The Education 1630 System: Recent Developments & Current Issues	
TUESDAY 27 MARCH	0900- Advanced Language Practice 1230	1330- Advanced Language Practice 1630	Optional evening in a traditional pub
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2 WEEK COURSE FOR TEACHERS OF ENGLISH

CHELMSFORD: SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER - FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2018

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DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER			Arrive Chelmsford
MONDAY 29 OCTOBER	0900- Welcome and introduction 1000 1030- Lecture: Multicultural Britain 1230	1400- Lecture & Discussion: The Education 1630 System: Recent Developments & Current Issues	
TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER	0900- Advanced Language Practice 1230	1330- Advanced Language Practice 1630	Optional evening in a traditional pub
WEDNESDAY 31 OCTOBER	0900- Workshop on Teaching English as 1230 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	1330- Workshop on Teaching English as 1630 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	
THURSDAY 1 NOVEMBER	0900- Workshop on Teaching English as 1230 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	1330- Workshop on Teaching English as 1630 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	
FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER	0900- Workshop on Teaching English as 1230 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	1330- Workshop on Teaching English as 1630 a Foreign Language: Focus on Britain Today	
SATURDAY 3 NOVEMBER	Free for individual research or Optional visit to Cambridge		
SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER	Free for individual research or Optional visit to London		
MONDAY 5 NOVEMBER	0830- Day visit to a Secondary school or college 1600 Observe lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers		
TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER	0830- Day visit to a Secondary school or college 1600 Observe lessons and opportunity for discussion with teachers		
WEDNESDAY 7 NOVEMBER	0900- Day visit to London. Visit Houses of Parliament 2100		
THURSDAY 8 NOVEMBER	0900- Advanced Language Practice 1230	1330- Advanced Language Practice 1630 1630- Evaluation session 1730	
FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER	Depart Chelmsford		

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DAY & DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER			Arrive Chelmsford
SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER	Free for individual research or Optional visit to Cambridge		
MONDAY 29 OCTOBER	0900- Welcome and introduction 1000 1030- Lecture: Multicultural Britain 1230	1400- Lecture & Discussion: The Education 1630 System: Recent Developments & Current Issues	
TUESDAY 30 OCTOBER	0900- Advanced Language Practice 1230	1330- Advanced Language Practice 1630	Optional evening in a traditional pub
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SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER	Depart Chelmsford		