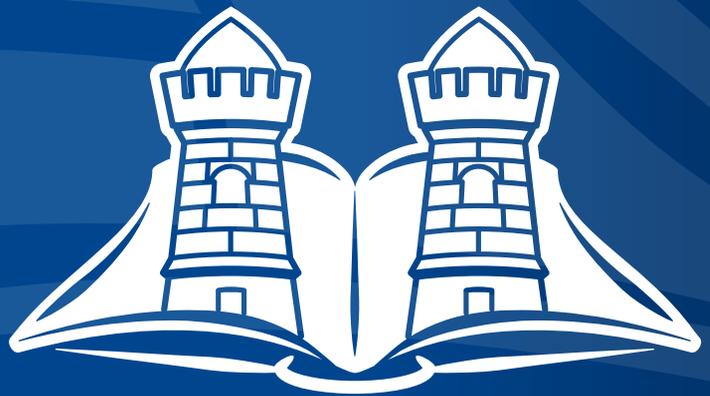


# CORK ENGLISH ACADEMY



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**Welcome**

At Cork English Academy we offer our students an all-embracing experience, combining the best English language training with an exciting social activity programme, beautiful facilities, excellent accommodation options and a caring support network in the centre of Cork. We look forward to welcoming you to our school and to the beautiful City of Cork.

**Ireland**

Ireland, an island of dramatic scenery maintaining Europe’s frontier to the Wild Atlantic Ocean, welcomes you ashore.

Mix lush green landscapes and coastal drives with cosy pubs and lively cultural festivals and you have just some of the ingredients that have made learning English in Ireland an unforgettable experience.

The genuine welcome and hospitality of the Irish is still a deep-seated tradition and that they love to talk and talk continues to be an undisputed fact.

Ireland is a place of wonder to explore, discover and learn.

**Cork**

County Cork is the largest county in Ireland, and Cork City is the third largest city just behind Belfast and Dublin but first in every important respect, according to the locals, who cheerfully refer to it as the ‘real capital of Ireland’!

The neat and compact city is characterised by its web of narrow streets packed with pubs, cafés, restaurants and shops that weaves its way back and forth over the lively River Lee’s many bridges.

Cork’s dynamism is reflected in contemporary buildings, bars and arts centres. The best of the city is still happily traditional, though snug pubs with live-music sessions, excellent local produce and a genuinely proud welcome from the locals.



**Fast Facts Ireland:**

- Population 4.6 million
- Ireland is listed in the top 5 countries to visit in 2015 by Lonely Planet
- Ireland’s Wild Atlantic Way is the world’s longest coastal route stretching 2500 km from County Cork in the south to County Donegal in the north
- 1 in 10 Irish people are natural red heads!

**Fast Facts Cork City:**

- Population 190,000
- Vibrant University city with 40% of the population under 25
- Founded by St. Finbarre in the 7th Century
- European City of Culture 2005
- One of The Lonely Planet’s best cities to visit 2010



**The Student Voice – Mika, Japan**

My dream is to be a universal person taking the best part of each country I visit and adding it to my identity. I would like to have at least one friend in every country in the world. As the variety of nationalities of students here in Cork is awesome I am having a really good time.

Eventually I would like to do an MA so I came to Ireland to study for my IELTS examination.

I chose to study in Cork because I wanted a city which is not too big or too small. The thing I love the most about this city is its people! They are so kind, talkative, funny and informal in a good sense. It is quite easy for me to make local friends. I joined a local Camogie team here in Cork. This is a traditional field sport similar to hockey here in Ireland. It is played by women. The male equivalent is called hurling.

I have never seen a language school with such a great deal of goodwill like that of Cork English Academy. Each and every teacher is very enthusiastic and I feel I am learning almost for the first time in many years!

**General English**

General English covers all of the English language skills – speaking, listening, reading and writing with an emphasis on speaking and listening and a focus on communication skills in real life settings.

There is a maximum 15 people per class catering for all levels from Elementary (CEF A1) to Advanced (CEF C1).

General English 15 is a 15 hour per week module which runs Monday to Friday 09.00 to 12.15.

General English 20 is a 20 hour per week module which runs Monday to Friday 09.00 to 13.30.

**General English Plus**

The General English 20 or 15 hour per week group course in the morning is supplemented with either 5, 10 or 15 hours of individual lessons in the afternoon.

The individual lessons give the student the opportunity to focus in greater detail on their own particular needs and goals. Examples: Business English, Examination Preparation and English for Specific Purposes.

**Examination Preparation**

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) and First Certificate in English (FCE) Cambridge ESOL examination preparation classes are offered in the afternoon Tuesdays and Thursdays 14.30-16.00 in 4 week cycles.

**Work Placement**

Students combine English language tuition with a work placement in an Irish enterprise appropriate to their qualifications and experience. This provides participants with an excellent method of learning and using English in a practical way.

**Academic Year**

Cork English Academy's Academic Year Programmes are suitable for non-EU students wishing to study English in Ireland for a period of over 90 days.

The one year programme consists of 25 weeks full-time English language tuition with the remaining weeks as holiday periods.

**Fast Facts Academic Year:**

- Right to Work: Casual employment of up to 20 hours part-time work per week in term time and up to 40 hours per week during normal college vacation periods
- Students may enrol on three separate English language courses for up to a maximum of three years
- Students complete an official examination at the end of the programme such as TIE, FCE or IELTS





The Family package is designed so all members of the family can travel and enjoy a memorable learning and cultural experience together.

#### Adult Programme

- General English GE20 09.00 to 13.30 or General English GE15 09.00 to 12.15 Monday to Friday
- Location: Cork English Academy, Hanover Street

#### Kids' Camp

- Located in the Mardyke Arena; a safe, secure and fun environment with ultra-modern facilities
- Friendly, excellently trained staff
- Kids aged 4 to 12 take part in an Activity Camp with International and Irish kids from 08.30 to 15.00
- Daily English Language Class also available
- Minutes' walk from the family accommodation

#### Junior Summer School

- Partner International Junior Summer school for teenagers aged 13 to 17
- Located in Cork Institute of Technology just a short bus journey from Cork English Academy and the city centre
- Teenagers are escorted each day to and from the Junior Summer School by a member of Cork English Academy staff
- The English language course is from 09.00 to 12.45 Monday to Friday

#### Accommodation Options

Families have a choice of 4 Star or 2 Star self catering apartments both under 10 minutes' walk from the Kids' Activity Camp.

The plush 4 Star apartments can host up to 4 people and include housekeeping, access to the on-site leisure centre and superb dinging facilities. Each apartment has 2 en-suite double bedrooms.

The standard 2 Star apartments in closest proximity to the Kids' Activity Camp can host up to 8 people. 2,3,4,5,6 and 7 bedroom apartments are available.

#### *The Student Voice - Rufi Family, Spain*

Laia, Eva and I (Ferran) find Irish people very friendly, polite and patient with foreign English speakers like us. We live in Tarragona and there is a direct flight to Cork which is very convenient. We have been on the Family Package in Cork for two summers and we will come again!

We received great support from our teachers at Cork English Academy and from Nora the manager of the Kids' Camp. The Kids' Camp leaders are very helpful also.

The distance between the Kids' Camp and adult school are short so you can manage to get around without problems.

We have suggested to our friends to take the family package because it's a good way to learn for all the family. Not only are the teachers and staff in the academy fantastic but meeting people on the street and going shopping is a genuine English language experience.





### Host Family Stay

You live with a host family where you will get to experience life in an Irish household and practice your English in real life situations. Our host families are carefully selected, friendly local families who are happy to welcome you into their home.

- Full immersion in Irish Culture
- Breakfast & Evening Meal (Mon- Fri)
- Breakfast, Lunch, Evening Meal (Sat – Sun)
- Wi-Fi Internet
- Cork Airport/City transfer on arrival and departure

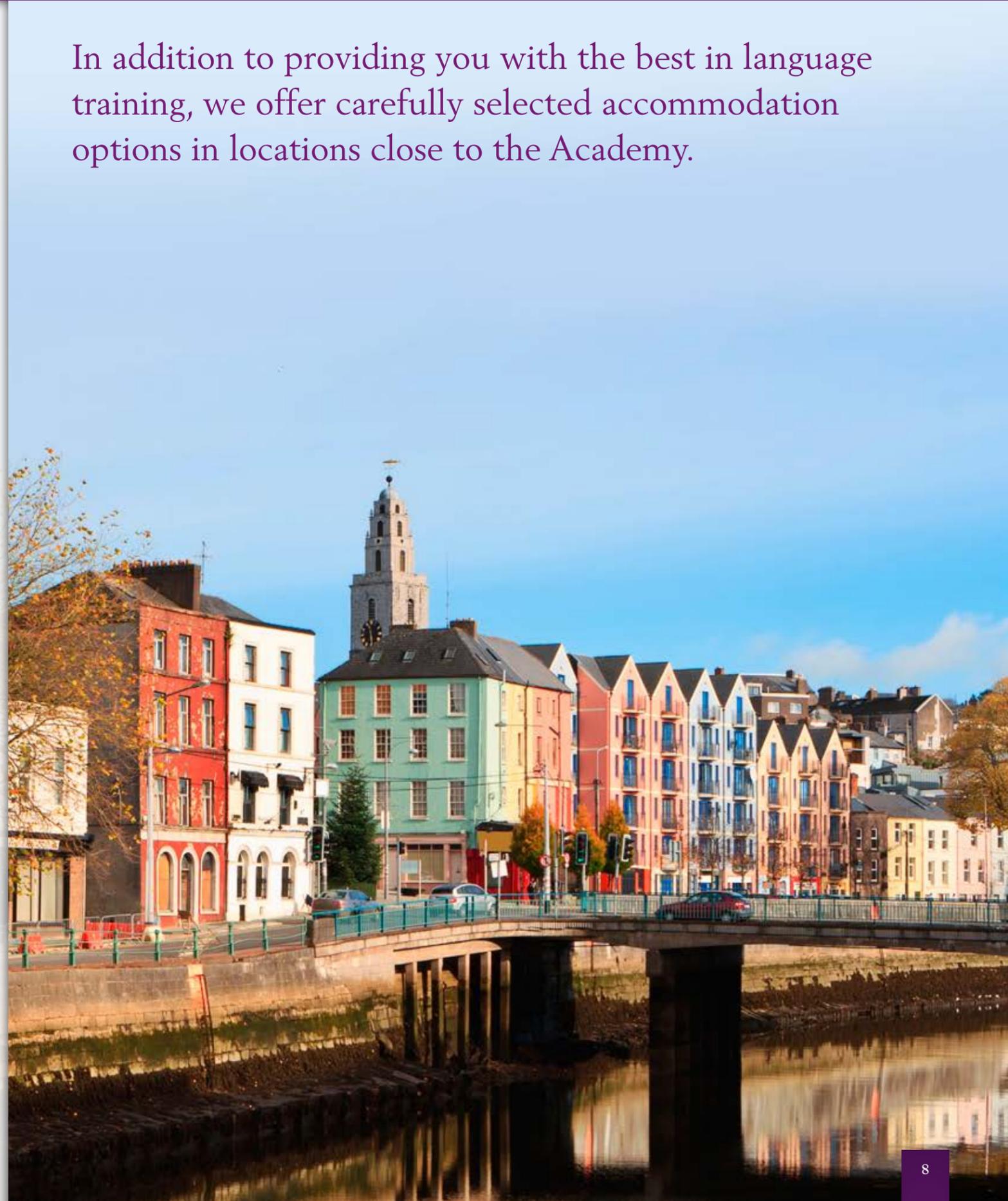
### Shared Apartments

If you would prefer to live more independently during your stay in Cork you can choose to stay in a shared apartment in the city centre. You will have a private bedroom, shared living and kitchen areas.

- Walking distance to the school
- Fully-fitted kitchen with all cooking facilities and utensils
- Heat, electricity, cable TV, Wi-Fi and bed linen included
- 24 hour security



In addition to providing you with the best in language training, we offer carefully selected accommodation options in locations close to the Academy.



*Condé Nast Traveler , The Friendliest Cities in the World*

Cork in southern Ireland, is a very accommodating place where people are consistently friendly and helpful. The walkable town is framed by grand scenery and offers bountiful pubs, music, and history. In quaint, lovely Cork, there's always something to see and participate in, no matter what time of year. After all, it's a warm city—like a beautiful gem.

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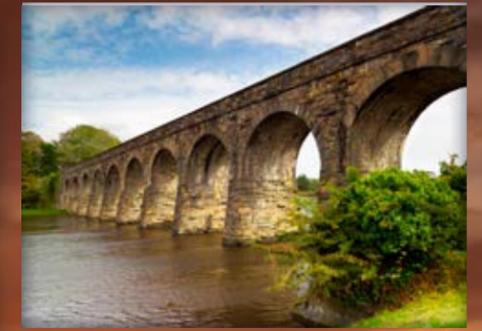
- The Cliffs of Moher are Ireland's most visited natural attraction standing 702 feet at their highest point they stretch for 8 kilometres along the Atlantic coast of County Clare in the west of Ireland
- Blarney Castle and Gardens is the most visited attraction in Cork which is most famous for its stone, which is believed by many to have the power of conferring eloquence on all who kiss it. The word "Blarney" was introduced into the English language by Queen Elizabeth I and is described as pleasant talk, intended to deceive without offending. Irish people call this "The Gift of the Gab"
- The Titanic's last port of call, was Cobh, Co. Cork. The last passengers to board the ship for its intended journey to New York boarded here. Today, the original buildings, streets and piers of a century ago are still standing along with a beautiful Heritage & Visitor Centre

- Tours**
- The Ring of Kerry & Killarney National Park
  - Cliffs of Moher
  - Dingle Peninsula
  - Cobh & Blarney
  - Kilkenny and Cashel
  - Kinsale and West Cork
  - Fota Island
  - Blarney Castle
  - Cobh

- Cultural Spots**
- The Beamish Brewery
  - St. Finbarr's Cathedral
  - Crawford Art Gallery
  - Cork City Gaol
  - The Lewis Gluxman Art Gallery
  - St. Anne's (Shandon) Church
  - Old English Market
  - Blarney Castle & Stone
  - Blackrock Castle Observatory
  - The Triskel Arts Centre
  - The Franciscan Well Brewery

- School Activities**
- First day city walking tour
  - Afternoon pronunciation workshop
  - Afternoon vocabulary or grammar workshop
  - Book Club
  - Visits to local art galleries, current exhibitions, museums, traditional pub night
  - Half day trips
  - Full day trips

- City of Festivals**
- Guinness Jazz Festival
  - Film Festival
  - Culture Night
  - Midsummer Festival
  - Food & Drink Festival
  - Traditional Irish Music Festival
  - Poetry Festival
  - Folk Festival
  - St. Patrick's Day Festival
  - Lifelong Learning Festival
  - World Book Festival
  - Ocean to City Maritime Festival





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