

Whitsundays College of English—FACT SHEET

LOCATION

The Whitsundays College of English (SACE Airlie Beach) is located in Airlie Beach on the Whitsunday Coast of Queensland. The Campus is located in a NEW modern building which is a 5 minute walk from public transport and shopping centre, and a 10 minute walk to the beach.

Airlie Beach, Whitsundays, Queensland

- The Whitsunday area is located in the heart of the Great Barrier Reef and 74 tropical islands.
- Voted as one of the top 3 regional tourism areas by international visitors.
- Tropical location with warm days year round.
- Relaxed and friendly resort style environment.
- The Whitsundays is known as the Sailing Mecca of Australia.



GETTING HERE

The Whitsundays region is serviced by two commercial airports:

- The Whitsunday Coast Airport (Proserpine)
- Great Barrier Reef Airport (Hamilton Island)

Jetstar and Virgin Blue offer direct flights from Brisbane and Melbourne. Many other flights connect via Sydney, Brisbane or Melbourne. Qantaslink also has a direct flight from Cairns to the Great Barrier Reef Airport on Hamilton Island.

CLIMATE

Average daily temperatures range from 23°C in the winter months from June to July and 30.5°C in January during the height of summer. Average water temperatures remain a welcoming 20°C—25°C all year round.

TRANSPORT

Students are issued with a student card which entitles them to receive a discount on the Whitsunday Bus Service. An airport bus transfer service is also available from Proserpine to Airlie Beach which costs approximately AUD\$16.

DIRECT ENTRY

Direct Entry to TAFE (Certificate III Commercial Cookery & Diploma of Hospitality Management). The Whitsundays is a regional area for migration purposes.



WORKING IN THE WHITSUNDAYS

Airlie Beach is a busy tourism town which attracts both international and domestic tourists. Students find part-time work in shops, cafes, restaurants, bars, hotels and resorts. Students can also enrol in our English & Work Oz Course which prepares them for entry into the Australian workplace.

INTERCITY FLYER

SACE students can study at 2 SACE Campuses and discover the diversity of each location.

COURSES AVAILABLE

- General English—30 / 25 / 20 / 17 hours
- Cambridge Preparation (PET, FCE & CAE)
- IELTS Preparation (Full-Time)
- Direct Entry—TAFE (Hospitality)
- English & Sailing
- English & Diving
- English & Work Oz (Paid Work Placement)
- English & Work Experience in Childcare (Internship)
- Intercity Flyer—Study at 2 or 3 SACE Campuses and only pay one enrolment fee and accommodation placement fee.
- Evergreen (50+ Seniors Programme)
- Private Tuition
- Study Tour Programmes



Entry Dates:

05/01/09, 02/02/09, 02/03/09, 30/03/09, 27/04/09, 25/05/09, 22/06/09, 20/07/09, 17/08/09, 14/09/09, 12/10/09, 09/11/09, 07/12/09

Or any Monday if unable to start on the above dates

ACCOMMODATION

Homestay: Full board including 3 meals per day. Shared rooms available for two students travelling together. Minimum booking 4 weeks or for the length of the students course.

COST: \$210.00 per week, single room, full board

\$195.00 per week, share room, full board

Self Contained Apartments: Available on request. Prices range from \$250—\$400 p/week but are subject to change.

Hostel: Prices range from \$25—\$30 per night, share room but are subject to change.

SACE Residence: COST: \$155.00 per person, per week.

NATIONALITY MIX

The Whitsundays College of English is a smaller campus with a diverse range of student nationalities. The campus has capacity for a maximum of 90 students.

Swiss—15-20%

French —7%

Italian—5%

Other European—5%

Other Asia—5%

Korean—15%

Other Asians—5%

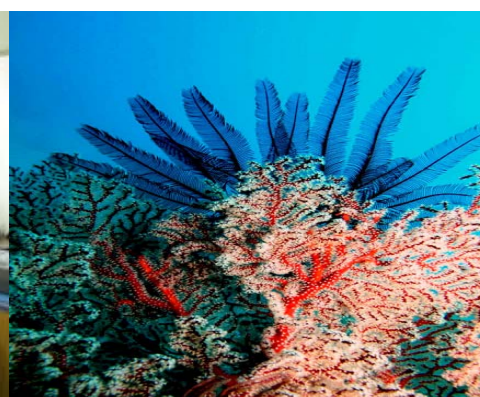
German—10-15%

Thai—3%

Brazilian—15%

Japanese—15%

Other —5%



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THINGS TO DO

SACE organises a varied and active social programme for students called Club SACE. It enables students to meet new people and experience the best the Whitsundays has to offer. Club SACE activities are held on Friday afternoons and weekends.

Club SACE Friday Excursions may include:

- A Treasure Hunt through Airlie Beach
- Bushwalking through the National Parks
- Beach Cricket and BBQ
- Swimming and International Food Fair at the lagoon
- Visiting the Proserpine Museum
- Trivia Night and much more.

Examples of Weekend Club SACE activities:

- Snorkelling on the Great Barrier Reef
- Sailing trip to Blue Pearl Bay
- Exploring the majestic Whitehaven Beach and Hill Inlet
- Camping on a deserted Tropical Island
- Visiting the unique Sub-Tropical Rainforests and Cedar Creek Falls
- Horse Riding through the Rainforest
- Exploring Airlie Beach on a Scooter
- Viewing Crocodiles in the Wild on an Eco Tour
- Cuddling Koalas at the Hamilton Island Koala Gallery.



TESTIMONIALS

I decided to study at the Whitsundays College of English because they offer English & Diving Course and I wanted to get a scuba diving license. Also I heard that there are small number of people in each class so I knew I could ask questions easily.

I enjoyed everything that happened at the school and the diving course. I especially enjoyed scuba diving as I could see the beautiful sea and many fishes. The Diving Instructors were very kind and friendly. I respect them and I learned a lot about marine life.

I recommend the course to others because the Whitsundays is the most beautiful location in the world. The cost of the Dive Course was very cheap and it includes food, text book, dive equipment and trips to the Great Barrier Reef.

Tomoko Ito—Japan



I chose to come to the Whitsundays College of English because I could book a package to study the Cambridge FCE Exam Preparation Course and also complete the WorkOz Programme. The WorkOz Programme really helped me to enter the Australian Work environment and for people like me who haven't really worked much before, it helped to have the College support me and offer advice. The job placement helped my English skills mostly and every foreign job experience is good on my resume. Becoming bilingual, discovering another way of living, visiting beautiful places and getting foreign work experience are all reasons why I would recommend the Whitsundays College of English to other students.

Audrey Bourdon—France

I was living and studying in Sydney for 2 years and I decided to do something different in life and something more challenging and that's why I chose the Whitsundays. It offers a relaxing life with beautiful views and very friendly people. I really enjoy my course at the Whitsundays College of English. The staff are very kind and helpful in all situations.

I love the Great Barrier Reef and the Islands around here. They are so beautiful and make me feel happy. I love sailing. It is a great experience and you get to meet many new people. I also love the markets on Saturday.

Eliana Canutti—Brazil



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