# English Language Courses















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# Good Reasons to Choose ACL

ACL is fully accredited and quality assured

18 years experience teaching English to international students

Quality courses for communication, work or further study

A unique harbour-side location in Sydney, Australia

An exciting international study environment

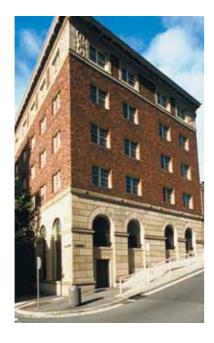
Impressive library and computer facilities

Direct Entry to many of Australia's leading universities and colleges

Friendly, qualified and experienced staff

A great social club

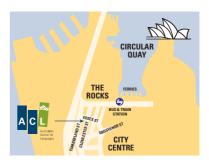
Internship program for career development











#### Sydney, Australia

ACL is located in Sydney, which is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, with all the advantages of a magnificent natural harbour, spectacular surfing beaches, a vibrant cultural life, a lively multicultural population and a relaxed lifestyle.

ACL Sydney will not only provide you with high quality English language training, but also with an Australian experience you will never forget.

#### Our Location

ACL is located in The Rocks. The Rocks is the historic heart of Sydney and only a few minutes walk to the famous Sydney Harbour Bridge and Opera House. This special part of Sydney has a unique charm all of its own. The Rocks contains a number of the best tourist sights in Sydney as well as a variety of cafes, restaurants and shops.

# Come and experience it for yourself!

#### **Our Facilities**

Science House, the home of ACL, is an impressive five-storey building that contains:

- Spacious and well-equipped classrooms
- A computer centre with over 70 PCs, and access to extensive e-learning resources
- A large library containing an impressive range of resources
- A student lunch room complete with kitchen

ACL offers you an attractive and comfortable learning environment.

#### **Our Teachers**

ACL's teachers are experienced and dedicated professionals with specialist qualifications in teaching English. Our ongoing professional development program ensures teachers stay up to date with the latest teaching techniques.

# An International Study Environment

Students from more than 35 countries choose ACL for their English studies each year. Meet and share your experiences with students from all over the world.

#### **Key Facts**

Australia population: 19.9 million

Sydney population: 3.9 million

#### Sydney's Climate

Summer: Dec - Feb (20°C - 30°C) Winter: Jun - Aug (12°C-18°C)

#### **ACL** Location

ACL is 5 minutes walk from train, bus and ferry services to all Sydney suburbs and a short walk takes you to Sydney Tower and the central city shopping area.



"ACL provides a range of courses to meet the different needs of students."

**Wang Xin** 

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## Courses to improve your general communication

#### General English

ACL's General English course helps you to communicate in everyday situations. You will focus on improving your speaking, listening, reading, writing and grammar.

#### Elementary - Pre-Intermediate

| 8.30 to 10.30  | Core English Skills                 |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 10.30 to 10.45 | Break                               |
| 10.45 to 11.45 | Core English Skills                 |
| 11.45 to 12.15 | Break                               |
| 12.15 to 1.15  | Core English Skills                 |
| 1.30 to 2.30   | Supervised self access <sup>†</sup> |

#### For Intermediate to Advanced courses only (as per timetable at left)

12.15 to 1.15 Elective Class\*

- \* Elective classes allow students to focus on an area of interest, and include topics such as Speaking and Listening, Writing Skills, and Advanced Communication Skills. They are in addition to morning classes.
- <sup>†</sup> Supervised self access enables you to focus on areas you would like to improve. You can work at your own pace in the Library or Computer room, with teachers available for guidance.

#### The levels in General English are:

| Elementary  | Pre-Intermediate   | Intermediate I   | Intermediate II  | Upper<br>Intermediate  | Advanced  |
|---|--|--|--|--|---|
| At this level you can talk about familiar topics using simple language. You will increase your knowledge of English and be able to use your language in a range of everyday situations. | At this level your confidence is increasing in familiar situations, and you start to develop ways to deal with less familiar contexts. | You will be able to communicate across a range of everyday situations, and should be able to understand the main ideas in less familiar circumstances. | You should be confident enough to have a conversation on a wide range of topics. You should be able to communicate even when you do not understand everything that is said or written. | You are able to communicate confidently and express opinions in most situations. You are aware of the different types of language required in social situations. | You can communicate easily with most native speakers and express yourself and your ideas You use suitable language in formal and familiar situations. |

#### How will you learn?

Classes involve a lot of interaction between you, your teacher and your classmates. You will do group work and have interesting discussions on a wide range of topics. All of these will help you to develop your skills and enable you to have the confidence to use your English to order meals in a restaurant, ask for directions, go shopping and apply for part-time work.

General English is available as a full-time course, or part-time for students on a visitor/working holiday visa. All students will be tested and interviewed on Day 1 of the course, to ensure you are placed in the correct class.

Course Duration: 1 - 52 weeks

Hours per week: Full-time 25 hours per week (20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours supervised self access), Part-time 15 hours per week (15 hours face to face teaching)

Minimum age: 16 years old

Maximum class size:

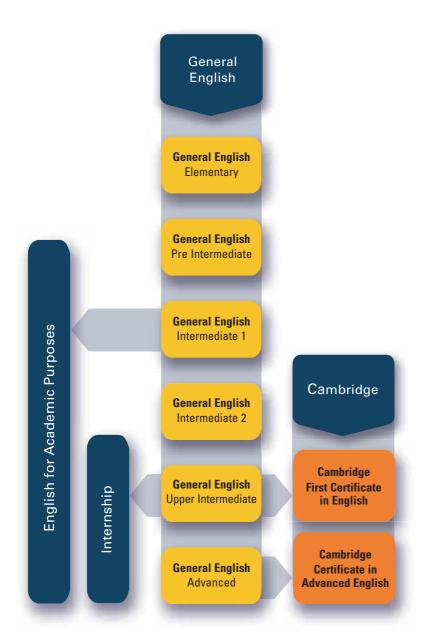
15 students

Certification: ACL Statement

of Attainment



#### General English Studies Pathway



"I am surrounded by students from different countries and my teacher has an interesting approach and makes learning more fun."





# Cambridge Exam Preparation

Cambridge Certificates are recognised worldwide as evidence of English language ability, particularly by employers. ACL offers preparation for 2 Cambridge exams:

- First Certificate in English (FCE) for upper-intermediate students: and
- Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) for advanced level students.

The courses help you to improve your everyday English skills, as well as give you the confidence to pass the exams with a focus on speaking, listening, reading and writing.

The course will help you fine-tune your fluency and accuracy.

The FCE and CAE exams consist of 5 sections:

Paper 1: Reading

Paper 2: Writing

Paper 3: Use of English (grammar)

Paper 4: Listening

Paper 5: Speaking

A highlight of ACL's Cambridge courses is the 3-day study retreat. The retreat takes place in a relaxed national park setting, and allows you to get to know your classmates. You continue your study, and also have the opportunity to enjoy bush walking and other activities.

Prior to starting either of these courses, you will need to take the Cambridge Placement test to ensure your level is appropriate.

Course Duration: 10 or 12 weeks

Hours per week: Full-time 25 hours per week (20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours supervised self access)

Minimum age: 16 years old

Maximum class size:

12 students

**Certification:** ACL Statement of Attainment and optional Cambridge Certificate





## 4 Courses to prepare you for further study

#### English for Academic Purposes (EAP)

ACL's EAP courses are for students who plan to study at university or college in Australia. Improve your study skills and academic writing, reading, listening and speaking. Practical assessments may include:

- Essays
- Seminar Presentation
- Research Report
- Examinations
- Case Studies

ACL English for Academic Purposes Certificate III in EAP (91106NSW), Certificate IV in EAP (91105NSW) and Diploma of EAP (91096NSW) courses are accredited by the New South Wales Vocational Education and Training Accreditation Board (VETAB). These qualifications fall within the Australian Qualifications and Training Framework (AQTF).

ACL recognises all equivalent qualifications issued by Registered Training Organisations under the AQTF

#### **EAPTimetables**

EAP courses have 2 timetables, morning and afternoon. The following timetables apply to Certificate III in EAP, Certificate IV in EAP and Diploma of EAP.

Your timetable will be given to you on your first day.

#### Morning Timetable

#### Monday to Friday

| 8.15 to 10.15  | EAP Class              |
|----------------|------------------------|
| 10.15 to 10.45 | Break                  |
| 10.45 to 12.45 | EAP Class              |
| 12.45 to 1.30  | Lunch                  |
| 1.30 to 2.30   | Supervised self access |

#### Afternoon Timetable

#### Monday to Friday

| 12.00 to 1.00 | Supervised self access |
|---------------|------------------------|
| 1.00 to 3.00  | EAP Class              |
| 3.00 to 3.30  | Break                  |
| 3.30 to 5.30  | EAP Class              |
|               |                        |

"I am going to do a Masters in Engineering so the EAP course will be very useful to me."

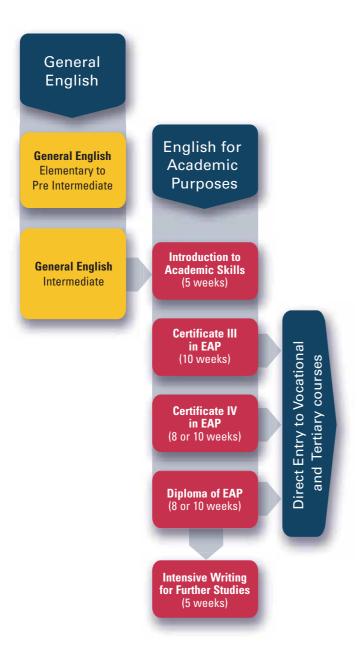
**Mohammad T. Diab** 





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#### **Further Studies Pathway**



#### **Direct Entry**

On successful completion of ACL's EAP courses you may gain direct entry to a range of Australia's leading colleges and universities (undergraduate and postgraduate courses).

## Direct Entry from Certificate III in EAP:



## Direct Entry from Certificate IV in EAP:















#### Direct Entry from Diploma of EAP:



























# Courses to prepare you for further study...







|                 | Introduction to Academic Skills (IASK)   | Certificate III in English for Academic Purposes 91106NSW   |  |
|-----------------|--|---|--|
| Aim             | This course provides an introduction to academic skills and prepares students for entry to Certificate III in EAP.   | To prepare you for ACL's Certificate IV in EAP or a relevant qualification for employment purposes.   |  |
| Course Modules  |  | EAP301 Introduction to Academic Study Skills EAP302 Introduction to Academic Assessment Skills EAP303 Introduction to Spoken Texts for Academic Study EAP304 Introduction to Written Texts for Academic Study |  |
| Assessment      | Continuous assessment and examinations.<br>Students must obtain a minimum 50% pass<br>result in each of the assessment tasks. Only<br>one task may be resubmitted. The maximum<br>score for a resubmission is 50%. | Continuous assessment and examinations. Students must obtain a minimum 50% pass result in each of the assessment tasks. Only one task may be resubmitted. The maximum score for a resubmission is 50%.        |  |
| Teaching Method | Face to face in classroom  | Face to face in classroom   |  |
| Course Duration | 5 weeks (25 hours per week delivered<br>as 20 hours face to face teaching<br>+ 5 hours supervised self access)   | Certificate III in EAP 10 weeks (25 hours per week delivered as 20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours supervised self access)  |  |
| Entry Levels    | IELTS 4.5 (academic), TOEFL 470 (150 computer-based) or ACL Entry Test   | Certificate III in EAP IELTS 4.5 Writing 4 (academic),<br>TOEFL 475 TWE 3 (153 computer-based), successful completion<br>of Introduction to Academic Skills (IASK) or ACL Entry Test                          |  |
| Certification   | ACL Statement of Attainment  | Certificate III in English for Academic Purposes 91106NSW is accredited by the New South Wales Vocational Education & Training Board (VETAB)  |  |
| Direct Entry to | Certificate III in English for Academic<br>Purposes  | Vocational courses  |  |



| Certificate IV in English for Academic Purposes 91105NSW   | Diploma of English for<br>Academic Purposes 91096NSW   | Intensive Writing for Further Study (IWFS)   |
|--|--|--|
| To prepare students for vocational studies, ACL's Diploma of EAP or a relevant qualification for employment purposes.  | To prepare students for tertiary studies or a relevant qualification for employment purposes.  This course provides intensive writing for students who need to focus on improving writing skills before entry to further studies.  |  |
| EAP401 Academic Study Skills   | EAPD01 Integrated Academic Skills  |  |
| EAP402 Academic Assessment Skills  | EAPD02 Advanced Spoken Texts for Academic Study  |  |
| EAP403 Spoken Texts for Academic Study   | EAPD04 Advanced Written Texts for Academic Study   | ON ON  |
| EAP404 Written Texts for Academic Study  |  | A Land   |
| Continuous assessment and examinations. Students must obtain a minimum 50% pass result in each of the assessment tasks. Only one task may be resubmitted. The maximum score for a resubmission is 50%.   | Continuous assessment and examinations. Students must obtain a minimum 50% pass result in each of the assessment tasks. Only one task may be resubmitted. The maximum score for a resubmission is 50%.   | Continuous assessment and examinations. Students must obtain a minimum 50% pass result in each of the assessment tasks. Only one task may be resubmitted. The maximum score for a resubmission is 50%. |
| Face to face in classroom  | Face to face in classroom  | Face to face in classroom  |
| Certificate IV in EAP 10 weeks (25 hours per week delivered as 20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours supervised self access)  | Diploma of EAP 10 weeks (25 hours per week delivered as 20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours supervised self access)   | 5 weeks (25 hours per week delivered as 20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours supervised self access)   |
| Certificate IV in EAP Fast Track 8 weeks (30 hours per week delivered as 20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours teacherguided ACLEnglish online + 5 hours supervised self access)  | Diploma of EAP Fast Track 8 weeks (30 hours per week delivered as 20 hours face to face teaching + 5 hours teacher-guided ACLEnglish online + 5 hours supervised self access)  |  |
| Certificate IV in EAP IELTS 5.0 Writing 5 (academic), TOEFL 500 TWE 4 (173 computer-based), successful completion of Certificate III in EAP or ACL Entry Test  Certificate IV in EAP Fast Track IELTS 5.5 Writing 5 (academic) TOEFL 510 TWE 4 (180 computer-based), 60% pass result in Certificate III in EAP or ACL entry test | Diploma of EAP IELTS 5.5 Writing 5 (academic),<br>TOEFL 525 TWE 4 (197 computer-based), successful<br>completion of Certificate IV in EAP or ACL Entry Test<br>Diploma of EAP Fast Track IELTS 5.5 Writing<br>6 (academic) TOEFL 540 TWE 5 (207 computer-<br>based), 60% pass result in Certificate IV in EAP<br>or ACL entry test | IELTS 6.0 Writing<br>5 (academic), TOEFL<br>550 TWE 4 (213<br>computer-based)<br>or ACL Entry Test   |
| Certificate IV in English for Academic<br>Purposes 91105NSW is accredited by the<br>New South Wales Vocational Education &<br>Training Board (VETAB)   | Diploma of English for Academic Purposes<br>91096NSW is accredited by the New South Wales<br>Vocational Education & Training Board (VETAB)   | ACL Statement of Attainment  |
| Foundation studies, TAFE and vocational courses  | Tertiary undergraduate and postgraduate courses  | Tertiary undergraduate and postgraduate courses  |

## **English Plus**

Combined with one of ACL's English courses, English Plus gives you the chance to learn English as well as a new sport or activity.

**Surfing** – learn to Pro-surf at one of Sydney's best surf beaches.

Sailing – learn to sail on spectacular Sydney Harbour!

SCUBA Diving – learn to dive at some of Sydney's best dive sites.

Golf – learn to play golf and master your swing!

Aromatherapy – learn to use essential oils to restore and balance the body and mind.\*

Horse Riding – learn to horse-ride and enjoy the Sydney scenery.

Floristry – learn to create stunning floral arrangements.\*

English Plus options are available throughout the year, and can usually be done at the following times:

- in the afternoons when your class finishes
- on weekends during your course
- in the week following your course
- \* These English Plus options are available at selected times during the year, please contact us for dates and details.





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## 8 English and Internship

ACL gives you the opportunity to improve your English and undertake an Internship in Australia. You will gain valuable training and experience within an organisation in your chosen profession/field. Internships are unpaid professional placements You can:

- internationalise your resume
- develop workplace English skills
- improve your career opportunities

Your experience will begin with one of ACL's English courses where you will develop the confidence to embark on your internship. Once you reach the required English level you can commence your internship placement. The fields available include:

- Accounting
- Information Technology
- Telecommunications
- Architecture
- Law and Politics
- Health
- Banking and Finance
- Sales and Marketing
- Graphic Design
- Engineering
- Media and Journalism
- Hospitality and Tourism
- ....and many more!



"I made the right choice when I chose ACL. I feel that my English is getting better each day."

Somphop Chonphaibunkit





Program Duration: Up to 12 months – ACL English course minimum 4 weeks + Internship minimum 4 weeks.

Age: 18-30 years old

Internship Entry level: Upper Intermediate or IELTS 6.0 equivalent

Interns can also gain academic credit for the practical requirement of their academic studies.

For full information, further details are available on our website.











# Customised Courses

#### Executive Business English

A customised course for small groups of executives and managers to improve their Business English skills. Our experienced teachers will design a program to suit the needs of the company and group, and incorporate skills such as letter and report writing, presentation skills and business communication.

This course can be offered at any time throughout the year.

#### One to One Tuition

A customised course for individuals. You will be able to concentrate on areas of specific interest, with a teacher designing a unique program for you to work towards achieving your goals. This course can be combined with any ACL course and is offered at any time throughout the year.

#### Study Tours

ACL arranges study tours to meet the needs of your group. Contact us for details.

### **Services**

#### **Accommodation Service**

ACL provides an Accommodation Service to suit the needs of different students:

Homestay is economical and a great way to experience the Australian culture by living with an Australian family. You will be placed in a home within 40 minutes of ACL by public transport and will have your own furnished room. Homestay includes breakfast & dinner Monday to Friday and breakfast, lunch & dinner on weekends.

Other options include: guesthouses, hostels through to hotels to suit most budgets. Full details are available on our website.

An airport transfer can be organised for your arrival to take you to your accommodation. If preferred you can arrange your own transport by taking a taxi or train from the airport. Information is available on arrival at Sydney airport.

#### **ACLClub**

The ACLClub, our social club, is a great way to make the most of your time in Sydney. It offers excursions, activities and trips during the week and on weekends, and is a fantastic way for you to meet new friends and practise your English.

A calendar is available on our website so you can plan your stay in Australia. Activities include: afternoon trips to Sydney Aquarium, Sydney Tower, Harbour Bridge walks, Opera House tours and exploring the city of Sydney. Weekend tours can take you to the Blue Mountains, the Hunter Valley for wine tasting and spectacular scenery, and the amazing South Coast for coastal walks. The opportunities are endless!

#### **ACLJob Club**

Interested in having a part-time or casual job during your studies? The ACLJob Club offers free workshops and information to provide you with a step-by-step guide to looking for part-time work in Sydney:

- How to write a standard resume
- How to find part-time jobs in Sydney
- How to apply for an advertised position
- Interview skills

Job Club workshops also feature guest speakers to give you tips and insights into finding a job in Sydney. The noticeboard in the student common room is updated regularly with part-time jobs.





ACL is accredited by NEAS, Australia's National English Language Teaching Accreditation Scheme. The scheme includes standards for learning environment, curriculum, assessment and student services.



ACL is a member of English Australia, the professional association of quality English language centres. English Australia requires the highest standard of quality from its members and ensures the protection of student fees through its tuition assurance scheme.



ACL is registered as a provider of courses for international students. CRICOS Provider number 00031D



ACL conforms to international standards of quality and was the first private English language training provider in Australia to achieve Certification to requirements of AS/NZS ISO 9001 in 1996.

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