



English Course Guide

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Welcome from The Principal

Times Academy is an English School with a difference. The focus at Times Academy is not only on excellence in teaching, learning and training, but on development of the whole student. At Times Academy you will not only develop your language and employability skills, but you will flourish in your Australian experiences and personal growth.

Times Academy has a superior modern campus right by Town Hall in the center of the city. Easily reached by public transport with state-of-the-art computer facilities, wireless connections and bright naturally lit classrooms, students get to experience all that Sydney has to offer at their doorstep.

Times Academy offers Academic English classes with pathways to highly-ranked schools in NSW. The English for school preparation programs are for students entering top private schools in NSW and has a comprehensive focus on values and moral development of the students. The General English program is a fun interactive way for students to develop their four-skills of English on a flexible schedule to meet lifestyle demands.

The well-qualified teaching staff at Times are enthusiastic, innovative and create vibrant energetic learning environments. With regular and varied assessment, students receive feedback that helps them to advance their language skills in minimal time.

Students feel comfortable and confident in their new surroundings, as Times is small enough to give you a sense of family in Australia. Student services staff at Times provide comprehensive services to help you adjust to your new life in Australia. Times has amazing social events including Culture Days, excursions to points of interest and a comprehensive orientation program.



Heidi Reid

Principal, Times Academy

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Times Academy for Success

Students from all over the world choose Times Academy as their destination to study English and Vocational Skills! With interactive, innovative lessons and fun and informative workshops and social activities, Times has created a welcoming, supportive learning environment to help our students achieve success.

Student Support

Student Services

- Help to arrange accommodation
- Information about life in Australia
- Community support
- Multicultural services
- Help adjusting to your new life in Australia
- Counselling support
- Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
- Help to find essential services
- Help to open a bank account
- Assistance in securing student ID cards
- Support for learning difficulties
- Information on Student Visa conditions
- Assistance to find part-time work
- Help with transport issues

Orientation

On your first day at Times Academy you will have orientation and a placement test. You will get all the information you need for your school life in Australia. Please bring your Australian and home country contact details with you on your first day. You can tell us all about your study goals and we can help you to achieve them!

Campus Facilities

- Modern and up-to-date
- Air-conditioned spacious classrooms
- Natural light
- Campus Wi-fi Access for students
- Study Centre
- Student Library and Lounge
- Computer laboratories
- Student Lounge with kitchenette, microwaves, fridge and vending machines.

Campus Activities

Times Academy arranges social and sporting activities and adventurous day trips to local attractions. These activities give you a fun-filled way to mix with other students and experience all that Sydney has to offer.



MOVIE CLUB

Now Screening some of Hollywood's favourite films. Have some popcorn and conversation as you snuggle in to watch the greatest hits in English. Suggestions Welcome!



CONVERSATION CLUB

Practice your skills in chatting with these lovely afternoon tea times with your classmates and friends.



TIMES' EXCURSIONS

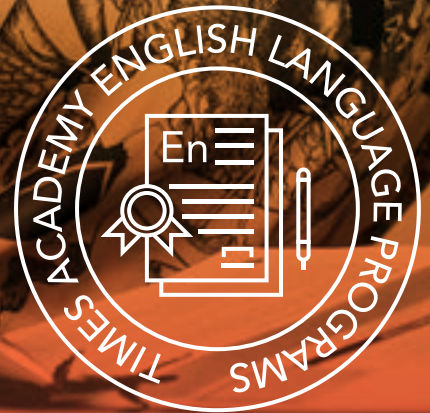
Visit museums, beaches, sights around Sydney and the harbor! What a gorgeous way to feel at home in this beautiful city.



TIMES' WORKSHOPS

From Public Speaking, to Painting, to Crafts...the list is endless. This is an interactive hands-on way to learn something new and have fun too!

English Language Courses





General English

CRICOS Course Code 089711M

Levels Beginner To Advanced
Duration Full Time 20 Hours / Week
Intake Date Every Monday

General English (GE) classes focus on communicative language skills for listening and speaking. They are designed to increase your knowledge of vocabulary, idioms and grammar. These classes provide you with lots of opportunities to talk with other students.

The General English course also helps you to develop your reading and writing skills.

With small classes led by experienced teachers, our practical teaching methods provide plenty of interaction and opportunities to practice English conversation for day-to-day communication. Our lessons are focused around your specific English learning goals and teachers will give you useful feedback and support to empower you to develop your skills and confidence quickly.

General English Helps You Achieve Your Goals

- Reading, writing and listening skills
- Speaking and fluency skills
- Knowledge of grammar, vocabulary and idioms
- Communication and conversation strategies
- Pronunciation

Sample Timetable

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Morning*	9:00-14:30	9:00-14:30	9:00-14:30	9:00-14:30
Evening	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30

English Language Requirement

- Students of all English levels can join
- Sit a placement test to determine your English level

* There is a 30 minute break part way through session.

English for Academic Purposes

CRICOS Course Code 089712K

Level	Intermediate to Advanced
Duration	Full Time 20 Hours / Week
Intake Date	Every Four Weeks

Times Academy EAP course uses the latest innovative research in Australia on transforming schools. Focusing on creativity, critical reflection, communication and collaboration, the EAP program at Times gives students skills not only in English, but skills for success in research, studies, communication and life. This course is designed to help develop student study skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking to ensure success at some of the top higher education institutions in Australia. There is a focus on vocabulary development and academic writing skills to foster confidence in academic studies. The materials come from a range of authentic sources to facilitate real-life tertiary learning situations.

This EAP course gives students a firm foundation in academic English and a set of study skills that will support them to successfully undertake university/tertiary courses.

EAP Helps You Achieve Your Goals

- Read and understand academic journals and texts
- Write reports and essays
- Understand lectures and presentations
- Participate in tutorials and group discussions
- Prepare and give presentations in class
- Prepare effective class note-taking

Sample Timetable

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Morning*	9:00-14:30	9:00-14:30	9:00-14:30	9:00-14:30
Evening	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30

English Language Requirement

- Intermediate level of English
- Sit a placement test to determine your English level

* There is a 30 minute break part way through session.

English for Primary School Preparation

CRICOS Course Code 095819D

Levels Beginner to Upper-Intermediate

Intake Date Weekly Intake

Intake Date Full time 25 hours / Week

This fun-filled active class teaches English through phonics, sound and movement. Students will actively participate in an energetic primary style classroom that will prepare them for life in Australian primary schools. There is a large focus on teaching children about values and caring for themselves, their family, their classmates and the environment. Starting from the beginner level, students will learn many of the same things and key learning areas that primary schools in NSW are teaching. With small classes led by experienced teachers who

work closely to support students so that they are capable of working collaboratively in class and independently away from class, our EPSP program will provide students with all the preparation they need to enter primary school with the confidence to succeed.

Sample Timetable

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning only*	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00

English Language Requirement

- Students of all English levels can join
- Sit a placement test to determine your English level
- Students from 7 - 12 years of age

* Students get a 15 minute break in the morning and 45 minutes for lunch.

English for High School Preparation

CRICOS Course Code 094446C

Levels Beginner to Upper-Intermediate
Intake Date Weekly Intake
Intake Date Full time 25 hours / Week

The English for High School Preparation (EHSP) provides English language instruction to prepare international students for studies in Australian high schools. This course will help students develop the study skills they need to be successful in a high school setting. Students will increase their listening and speaking competency and have opportunities to practice reading about high school topics and completing the types of academic work and assignments they will encounter in high school.

Times Academy has an intense focus on the morals and values development of students to give them tools for success not only in school, but in their lives.

In addition to English, students study English and vocabulary specific to Mathematics, Science and Human Society and Its Environment to prepare them for content areas of study in Australia.

The EHSP course helps students adjust to their new life in Australia while learning the necessary social and academic skills to ensure success in their schooling future.

Sample Timetable

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning only*	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00	9:00-3:00

English Language Requirement

- Students of all English levels can join
- Sit a placement test to determine your English level
- Students from 12-18 years of age

* Students get a 15 minute break in the morning and 45 minutes for lunch.

IELTS Test Preparation

CRICOS Course Code 095014G

We Aim to Help Students to Do Their Best on The IELTS.

This program is designed to provide students who are intending to sit for the IELTS examination with a demanding program of study. The program is designed to equip students with the strategies they need to realise their full potential and attain their desired IELTS score.

The IELTS Test Preparation course is a full-time program that is designed to increase students confidence when sitting for the test by:

- Familiarising students with the IELTS exam.
- Teaching students the skills needed for each of the 4 sections of the exam: Writing, Speaking, Listening and Reading.
- Providing regular test practice under exam conditions

Our IELTS Test Preparation Course Offers

- Flexibility with an intake every week and
- Lengths of study from 2 to 30 weeks
- A focus on one skill per day
- A fully planned program of study that covers the Academic module
- Small groups of up to 18 students with similar levels of English (at least intermediate)
- Regular test practice
- Regular focus on test-taking strategies like predicting, skimming and scanning
- Instruction to essay writing
- Confidence-building speaking exercises

Sample Timetable

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Afternoon	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30	16:30-21:30

English Language Requirement

- Intermediate Level of English

Cambridge Tests Preparation

CRICOS Course Code 096089C

We will give you the skills you need to succeed for Cambridge English Test.

Cambridge English language tests are internationally recognised qualifications that are respected by companies, governments and universities worldwide. A Cambridge certificate can help you with further studies or to get a good job. Our Cambridge Test Preparation courses offer a focused specialised course of study that fully prepares you for the test.

You will practise all the language skills you need to be an excellent communicator in English. You will develop the listening, speaking, reading and writing skills you need to achieve the best result you can. You will develop your listening, speaking, reading and writing skills, and also improve your grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. The

program is designed to equip you with the skills and strategies you need to realise your full potential and help you become an independent learner.

Each course runs for 10-12 weeks and has a finish date that is aligned with the test dates set by Cambridge so that you can sit the test at the end of your course.

Three levels of Cambridge Test Preparation:

- Cambridge English: Preliminary (PET)
- Cambridge English: First (FCE)
- Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)

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Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
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English Language Requirement

- Cambridge English: Preliminary (PET) - Intermediate
- Cambridge English: First (FCE) - Upper Intermediate
- Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) - Advanced

* There is a 30 minute break part way through session.

PTE – Academic Test Preparation

CRICOS Course Code 096495M

If you want to take the PTE – Academic test, our test preparation course will give you the skills and the confidence you need to succeed.

PTE – Academic is a multi-level test, like IELTS, TOEFL and TOEIC. It is the world's leading computer-based test of English for study abroad and immigration. PTE-Academic has been approved by the Australian Government for visa applications and is accepted by all universities within Australia and is recognised globally for academic entrance by over 1,700 institutions.

The best way to prepare for a test is to join a class and receive tuition face-to-face. In our full-time face-to-face program, you will develop your listening, speaking, reading and writing skills, and also improve your knowledge and awareness of grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. The program is designed to equip you with the skills and strategies you need to realise your full potential.

Each day, we will work closely with you and our

lessons will be focused on examination preparation techniques, exam strategies and language development. One of the unique features of PTE – Academic is that it tests 2 skills at the same time; for example, listening and reading or reading and speaking. One important area we will help you with in our course is in developing your ability to use two skills together.

You will have the opportunity to familiarise yourself with various sections of the test and practise taking the test under exam conditions and you will get feedback on your progress. As it is also important to become familiar with the process of doing a timed computer-based test, we also encourage students to register for online practice platforms to undertake additional out-of-class practice. This is optional, but is strongly encouraged.

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English Language Requirement

- Intermediate level English

* There is a 30 minute break part way through session.

Living and Studying in Sydney



Sydney is one of the world's most loved cities and it has a sunny and vibrant mood that attracts people from around the world !

Australia is a truly multicultural nation with people from all parts of the world. It is surrounded by water so there are many beaches. Australia has a beautiful natural environment with National Parks and a relaxed lifestyle. The country is made up of eight states and territories each with their own government as well as the federal government. Sydney is the largest and the most well known city in Australia. It has the world famous Opera House and the beautiful Sydney Harbour Bridge. Sydney is a cosmopolitan city with many restaurants and shopping areas within a short distance of stunning beaches and parks. There are always plenty of things to do while living and studying in Sydney.



I'm learning English and loving Sydney.

Andrea Ardiles Figueroa

From Chile 2016



Estimated Cost of Living

Living expenses can include accommodation, transportation, food, clothes, books and entertainment. You will need approximately AUD \$20,000 to cover the whole year of study in Sydney (excluding tuition fees). Rents are fairly high in Sydney but this depends on whether you choose to share with friends and which suburb you choose to live in. Transport is easy to access as all trains, buses, ferries and light rail leads to the CBD.

You should have at least AUD \$2,000 when you first arrive to cover your initial expenses. These figures do not include large household items such as a refrigerator or a car. For more information, visit

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au



Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

The Australian government requires that all international students have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC). OSHC offers you access to a world-class health care system. This is great for the quality of treatment for anyone injured or sick in Australia. However, it can be come costly. Having OSHC can assist in mitigating these costs. BUPA is a popular insurance company with international students.



Find Work While You Study

International students are allowed to work for 40 hours per fortnight whilst studying full-time. There are numerous casual and part-time jobs available for students in cafes, restaurants, or retail businesses. Working offers you the right to minimum wage as well as superannuation. For more information, visit www.fairwork.gov.au.

Finding A Place to Live

Accommodation

There are a range of accommodation options available in Australia to suit your needs and budget. The most common types of accommodation are homestay and rentals.



Homestay

Homestay gives you the opportunity to live with an Australian family in their home. Homestay can be a great option for younger students as you will have a supportive family environment and a home away from home. Some homestay options include meals and others are self-catered, so you can choose the option that best suits your needs.



Rentals

Another accommodation option is to rent your own unit or room in a shared apartment, flat or house. In a rental arrangement, each person usually has their own bedroom and shares the bathroom, kitchen and living areas with housemates. Many students choose homestay when they first arrive and then move onto rental accommodation once they've settled into the area and have a better idea of where they'd like to live and the type of accommodation they'd prefer.



How to Apply

1. **Complete Your Application Form**

You can either complete our online application or download a printable application form in pdf and return it to our office via email or through an approved education agent.

2. **Attach All Supporting Documents**
 - A copy of your current passport
 - A copy of any further studies offer to an Australian institution: University, foundation studies or TAFE/ VET certificate (if you hold one)
 - A copy of your current visa (if you hold one)
 - A copy of your official English test results: IELTS, TOEFL, PTE or Cambridge (if available)
 - A signed and dated Application Form.
 - A signed and completed Under 18 - Care Arrangement Form, if you are under 18 years of age.

3. **Submit Your Application**

Return your application form and the necessary documents to:

*Times Academy Level 4, 338 Pitt Street
Sydney NSW 2000 Australia*

OR email to :
info@times.nsw.edu.au

4. **Receive An Offer Letter**

If your application is successful you will receive a letter of offer for your nominated course along with a written agreement. When we receive your signed student agreement and fees, we will send you an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE). This eCoE is used to apply for your student visa. Once the visa is granted, you are ready to go!

Disclaimer

The information in this brochure is correct as of December 2017. Changes in circumstances after this date may alter the accuracy of the information. TA reserves the right to alter any matter described in this brochure without notice. Readers are responsible for verifying information that pertains to them by contacting the college.

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