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## \* Welcome to IH Cape Town

IH Cape Town is part of the International House World Organisation. IHWO is a network of language schools worldwide that are committed to implementing high standards of quality and innovation in education and training. There are currently over 150 schools in more than 50 countries, with more than 60 years of experience in teaching languages for international students.

### We Thrive On:

**Personalised care** – from arrival to departure, we have a hardworking team dedicated to guaranteeing a safe, comfortable and rewarding stay at IH Cape Town.

**Excellence in quality** – all our teachers are highly qualified to teach English for speakers of other languages. They are committed to our students, ensuring that they have an enjoyable, fulfilling learning experience that exceeds expectations.

**Premium location** – IH Cape Town is located in the heart of the beautiful Mother City, as Cape Town is affectionately known. Surrounded by every amenity you can think of, just around the corner from the famous Greenmarket Square. The bus stop outside will have you on Camps Bay beach in a flash! You can walk to the V&A Waterfront or take a quick trip to the top Table Mountain any day.

## THE IH CAPE TOWN WAY...

- To have the spirit to succeed and the passion to work harder to be the best.
- To be a respected company in the terms of our professionalism, innovation, honesty trust and integrity.
- To take care in what we do and how we do it, always being fair and treating everybody with respect.

## OUR PROMISE...

Is that we will strive, through our personal involvement and commitment, to provide students and teachers with an enjoyable, fulfilling learning experience that exceeds expections.



























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## Living in Cape Town

Cape Town is one of the most multicultural cities in the world. It is not only the most popular international tourist destination within South Africa but also the entire African continent. The Mother City has something for everyone, from lavish and luxurious safari's to backpacking on a tight budget.

The climate is wonderfully mild, the sights range from historical castles to ultramodern art museums. Blue flag beaches like Camps Bay adorn our shores and are a stone's throw from the city centre. Table Mountain, Lion's Head and Devil's Peak offer an array of wonderful walks, trails and hikes. Thousands visit the city each year for its affordable nightlife and entertainment, excellent restaurants, wine estates and bars.

During your stay in Cape Town you will have the opportunity to immerse yourself in the culture of this amazing city while rapidly improving your English. As you explore and acquaint yourself with the city, you are sure to increase your English language skills both inside and outside the classroom.



## Our Location

IH Cape Town was established in 2008 and has become an institution within the South African EFL (English Foreign Language) market. We are located in the midst of shops, restaurants, banks, bars, cafés and much more, with a bus stop conveniently right outside our door.

The school spreads over two floors. On the first floor we have classrooms, offices and a kitchen area. On the second floor we have our spacious PSP area including a digital resource center and social space. You will also have access to our conveniently located co-working spaces, which offer fast wifi and access points for your devices. As we are located in the city centre, students have easy access to world famous attractions within minutes. Green Market Square, the V&A Waterfront, The Castle of Good Hope, Company Gardens, Table Mountain and an aray of museums are all in close proximity.

We offer accommodation within walking distance or a short bus ride away. You can choose between immersing yourself into the home of one of our trusted host families or join other international students at our various student residence options.



## Study English

## **Standard English**

Standard English is perfect for students who are looking for a course that helps them use English more accurately and fluently in a variety of contexts. Our interactive lessons include all four skills - listening, speaking, reading and writing - and focus on building grammar and vocabulary. Teachers will also help students develop independent learning strategies, so they can keep improving beyond the classroom. A Standard English course will leave plenty of time for students to explore the city and local attractions.

> This course is 15 hours a week: 2 hours of group classes a day. 1 hour of PSP a day.

### Personalised Study Programme (PSP)

**Standard English** 

- Intensive English
- Private Tuition
- Business English
- English Exam Preparation

## Personalised Study Programme (PSP)

All our English courses include one hour of PSP every day in a dedicated learning space. PSP is an opportunity for students to focus on their individual English needs, and reach personal goals more quickly, without the expense of 1:1 tuition. With the guidance of teachers, students choose what they want to work on, from a wide range of print and online resources.

The PSP Hour could involve studying independently or in group practise speaking, revise grammar, build vocabulary, improve pronunciation, develop business English skills, prepare for international exams, and so on. The teacher student ratio is 1:6, which allows closer interaction with the teachers. They are available throughout PSP to support individuals and encourage students as they map their own learning journey.

### Intensive English

Intensive English is ideal for students who want to optimise their study time. In addition to Standard English lessons in the mornings, our Intensive course includes English for Life lessons in the afternoon. These lessons will prepare students to function more confidently as they live, work and study in an increasingly English-speaking world.

Lessons are highly practical and focus on further developing vocabulary; and improving listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in real-life situations. Students will also explore topics central to 21st century life.

This course is 23 hours a week: 2 hours of group classes 1 hour of PSP a day 2 hours Group skills focus lessons (Mon.-Thurs.)

### **Private Tuition**

One-to-one lessons can either intensive or additional to group lessons. These lessons are ideal for focusing on English for Specific Purposes (for example Legal English or Medical English). Personalised attention ensures that teachers are able to design lessons according to students' needs, which leads to rapid progress. Lessons can be combined with other English classes.



## **Business English**

Business English is the right option for students who need to use English at work or in business contexts.

Our Business English course centers aroundthree main areas presentations, meetings and social exchanges. Lessons include a focus on relevant grammar, vocabulary and pronounciation, as well as skills practice (reading, writing, speaking and listening) within a business setting.

The syllabus could include various Business English functions, based on student needs:

- conducting business on the telephone
- participating in formal and informal meetings
- planning and delivering effective presentations
- taking part in negotiations
- writing business emails and reports

socialising within the work environment

This course is 23 hours a week: 2 hours of group classes 1 hour of PSP a day

2 hours Private Business focus lessons (Mon.-Thurs.)

## English Exam Preparation

IELTS and TOEFL

These courses are offered as intensive one on one lessons. Students wanting to take these exams in Cape Town are advised to book the exam before the course starts as the exam centres have limited spaces available.

Cambridge FCE, CAE and CPE

Courses are intensive and focus on both language (grammar, vocabulary and pronounciation) and skills (reading, writing, listening and speaking) work relevant to each exam.

This course is 23 hours a week:

- 2 hours of group classes
- 1 hour of PSP a day
- 2 hours Private Exam preparation focus lessons (Mon.-Thurs.)

## **Online English Courses**

We offer a range of Online English lesson options. Our packages are designed with you in mind, offering flexibility to ensure we meet your unique English learning requirements. Your course content can be structured around Exam Preparation, Business English or General English.

Book your free consultation with our Academic Team. We will discuss your individual learning needs and goals.

### Your online course package can be based on the following:

- General English
  - Exam Preparation or English for Specific Purposes (ESF

### Online course packages include:

- One-on-one private lessons with your tutor
  - Academic consultation before your start
    - Comprehensive Level Test
      - Course Material
        - End of course report
          - Course certificate

## English for Specific Purposes (ESP) - 23 hours a week

ESP (English for Specific Purposes) refers to any course where the main objectives is to focus on the specific needs of a group of learners or an individual. It centers not only on the language (grammar, lexis, register) but also the skills, discource and genres of that specific group of learners. IH Cape Town works in line with international trends to offer a range of ESP courses. Additional courses can be designed to suit any special interest group. Student's profiles are collected prior to arrival in order to design a course which will enhance the learning experience.

- •15 hours of Standard English
- 8 hours of Private English for Specific Purposes (ESP)

### Students interested in any of our ESP courses should have a minimum B1 level.

## **English for Secretaries and Administrative Staff**

English has become the language of business and it has therefor become important for all administrative staff and secretaries to be able to communicate effectively in English. The focus of the course is on speaking and listening skills to ensure effective communication within the workplace.

The course assumes that students will have an intermediate level of English and is ideal for students who need to further their business English within the work place.

All personal assistants, warehouse managers, or administrative clerks, will find this course ideal to develop their skills.

## **English for Engineers in the Energy Sector**

The energy industry recruits people from all over the world and IH Cape Town has recognised the fact that English is now the common language used in the work environnment. The course is ideal for students who need to further their technical English and will enable them to interact with co-workers and supervisors with confidence.

The course will focus on language needed for practical tasks and communication in the workplace and is ideal for engineers or technicians who work on oil rigs, gas fields as well as all personnel employed in the petrochemical and broader energy sector. This also includes those who work in workshops, laboratories, support office and general transportation.

## **English for the Aviation Industry**

The course is suitable for pilots, air traffic controllers, aviation ground staff, emergency services personnel and administrators. It is designed to improve students general English and industryspecific language and skills.

## Nursing & Healthcare



English for nursing & healthcare is designed to improve the communication skills and specialist English language knowledge of healthcare professionals, enabling them to work more confidently and effectively. With an emphasis on listening and speaking, the course covers core areas of nursing such as patient admission, taking medical specimens, patient handover, post-operation assessment and discharge planning. The course focuses on authentic scenarios-from dealing with patients in pain, hospital admissions relevant and motivating. The course also features online activities which focus on the latest advances in nursing technology. The course is for all nurses, medical practitioners and general medical personnel working in either patient care or specialist medical facilities.

## Juniors & Young Learners

Age Groups Juniors 7-9 years Juniors 10-12 years Young Adults 12-14 years

Cape Town is an iconic destination — it offers such a remarkable and real value for money experience. The Mother City's breath-taking natural beauty and excellent tourism infrastructure, with world-renowned attractions and facilities, contribute to Cape Town's status as one of the top city travel destinations in the world



## Individual year round classes

The very popular Young Learner English course at IH Cape Town is delivered by qualified and experienced young learner teachers.

We follow a communicative approach where the focus is on speaking and the course is project-based. Books and materials are used as tools to achieve these aims.

The course for Young Adults and Juniors is 10 hours per week in group classes. Additionally, they get 1 class outing with the teacher per week.

Join our normal Standard English group classes, including 1 hour of PSP a day.

### Groups

For groups we offer a package deal which can be individually designed to your specific inquiries and budget.

### Accommodation

We recommend dorm rooms in one of our various accommodation options for the students and a single/ twin room for the group leader.

### Tours

An extensive tour package from half-day to full-day and evening activities can be organised for groups. The most popular package is 3 half-day and 1 full-day tour a week plus a 2-day safari.

### Transfer

IH Cape Town provides transfers to and from the airport, which is approximately 20-30 minutes' drive away. This service is included in the young learners package

### Meals

Meal vouchers and money for breakfast, lunch and dinner can be added to the package if required.

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## MidWeek:

13:30 - 17:00 Table Mountain **V&A** Waterfront **Beach Soccer** Pirate Boat Trip Surfing Cheetah Outreach Visit to Canal Walk Karting Putt-Putt Mini Golf District Six Museum Castle of Good Hope City walking tour Two Oceans Aquarium Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens Planetarium & National Art Gallery World of Birds Walk up Lion's Head

## Weekend Tours:

**09:00 - 16:00** Paintball Tour of Best Beaches Blouberg Beach & Ostrich Farm Cape Point Tour & Penguins Cheetah & Lion Park Hermanus Monkey Land Hout Bay World of Birds Table Mountain Hike Robben Island Ziplining

## Individuals

We offer year round Young learner classes. Available from age 7-14.

## Accommodation

IH Cape Town can arrange a host family when the student travels alone or a different accommodation when accompanied by a guardian.

## Tours

Tours can be booked either in advance or upon arrival and depend on availability and weather.

For more information, please contact us!

## Accommodation

IH Cape Town is privileged to be located in the heart of the city. This means we have a vast range of accommodation options available to us. You can choose to live with a local family and experience true South African culture while improving your English, or join other international students and travellers in one of our student lodges and apartments. All our accommodation suppliers follow the same standards of quality.

## Student Lodge

Our Student Lodge offers the perfect mix of social and chill vibes, with a communal kitchen, in-house bar, braai area, co-working office, and plenty of outdoor space including lounge chairs and a pool. The hostel is ideally positioned close to cafés, restaurants and grocery stores.



We have a variety of student lodge options available to students:

- 4-10 pax Dormitory rooms
- Twin and single rooms with shared bathrooms
- Twin and single with en-suite bathrooms

\*\*Please refer to the information fact sheets for detailed information about the specifc location and facilities of each accommodation option.

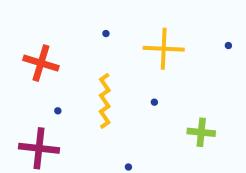


## **Student Apartments**

Situated in the most famous street in Cape Town, 106 Adderley Street is your premier address in the city. Our Student Apartments accommodate students with a "home away from home feel", creating a wonderful base to explore the city.

Features:

- Single room or
- Executive Studio
- Private bathrooms
- Kitchenette
- Wifi







## Homestay

This choice of accommodation is perfect for students who want to get to know the South African culture during their stay. You will be accommodated in a comfortable room. It is very important that the selection of the host family meets your individual requirements. We therefore ask you to send us as much information about yourself as possible.

## Other features include

- Dinner, Bed & Breakfast OR Bed & Breakfast
- Standard-sized bed with a weekly change of bed linen
- Wardrobe space
- Work/study area
- House keys
- Internet Access

Note: Laundry can be arranged between students and families. However, laundrettes are available in the area.

## Study& Volunteer

This exciting new programme has been developed to include English lessons in the morning and a meaningful volunteer project in the afternoon. With present day time restraints on people who need to learn English for work or leisure and at the same time want to have a lifetime experience participating in one of our volunteering projects, International House Cape Town has designed a programme with 2 projects which combines learning English with participating in a project in Cape Town.



### Internship

Our internships range between 4 weeks and 6 months.

### Volunteer South Africa

Volunteer is one of our many social and environmental programmes. Humanitarian, Wildlife and Conservation programmes are available. The student can choose between our part-time or full-time options.

After your English course is finished, you will be taken to the volunteer project either by car or bus The same transfer will also drop you off back at school at the end of the day.





## Accommodation

Will be in dormitory or a twin shared bedroom. It is ideal for the international travellers looking for a clean and comfortable

> room with a luxury mattress. Apartment service once a week Linen changed weekly Towels changed weekly

Everything you need is right on your doorstep, within walking distance of restaurants, shops and all main transport terminals.

## Project 1 Adventure Surf club

The children on this programme range from 10-16 years old and live in townships in Cape Town. The main goal is to keep them off the streets after school. As a volunteer you will help teach valuable life lessons through adventure activies, teamwork, educational classes and sports such as skateboarding, swimming or surfing. For most of the children this is the highlight of their day, which is why we also use it as an incentive for them to do well in school.

## **Project Highlights**

- Learn to surf and teach children how to surf
- Spend your days on the beach, playbeachsports
- Gain experience working with children



## Project 2 Sports & Youth Development

This project is for children from severly disadvantaged areas. After school we do various sport projects where we teach and play team sports, which not only develops children, but is also a way for the children to be exposed to better role models.

## **Project Highlights**

Experience township culture Help lower socio-economic problems Make a genuine difference Learn about South African cultures Learn to assist in sport programmes of varying age groups Skills developments for the children Make new friends

Programme Timetable	Monday - Friday	Saturday - Sunday
9:00 - 12:40	English Lessons	Freetime
13:00	Bus to volunteer project	Freetime
13:00 - 17:00	Surf / Skate / Swim / Sport	Surf / Skate / Swim / Sport
17:00	Bus back home	Bus back home



# English & Volunteer

Combine your English studies, either before or after a course, with a volunteering experience. Volunteering in South Africa is a great way to give back to the community, to make a difference in the lives of others while also experiencing all that Cape Town and South Africa has to offer. Volunteers pay a fee that covers the costs of their stay such as accommodation, transport and meals as well as a donation that assists to finance the projects. In return, volunteers get to experience African culture, see our beautiful country, learn some new skills and make a difference to those people and communities most in need. Most importantly you will make many new friends and memories that will last a lifetime, and you will return home a changed person.

## Choose from one of our four different volunteer programmes: Humanitarian Conservation • Wildlife Sports & Skills Development

## English Plus

Combine your English courses with one of the following exciting programmes:

## **English & Surfing**

Combine your English course with lessons in the afternoon on how to surf with Stoked on Surf, at Muzienburg beach. We guarantee that you will be able to surf! Surf lessons also include general ocean understanding, surf safety, weather and wave predictions.

## English & Safari

Combine your English course with a popular 3-day Garden Route & Safari tour, either before or after your English course at IH Cape Town. This is a great opportunity to explore more of South Africa and be fascinated by the Big 5 and other amazing wild animals.





## 50 Plus Programme

This course is for all the eager travelers who want to combine learning English and exploring a new country, city and culture with like-minded people their own age.

Our 50+ course is designed to give you a great cultural, historic and culinary experience in Cape Town whilst improving your English skills.

It is aimed at helping more mature participants to communicate freely in English. Students can choose between our Standard English or 10 hours of Private lessons and all levels are available, including complete beginners. The course also includes a varied programme of activities and excursions designed specifically for this age group.

## Social Programme

The weekly social activities organised and hosted by the IH Cape Town staff are diverse, interesting and more importantly, fun! The team also organises an exciting monthly event which is by far one of the highlights for many students. This once-amonth gathering is a fantastic opportunity for students to mingle with each other and for the IH Cape Town staff to learn a little more about each of them. The activities are held at various distinctive locations in Cape Town.

## Activities Include:

Beach soccer

Games Night

Paintball

Table Mountain

Cooking Classes

Signal Hill Sunset

Brewery Tour Casino Nights Student Parties

Surfing

Lions Head Hike Wine Tastings Karting Cape Town Stadium Tours Club and Restaurant Nights





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"This was the best experience of my life. I'm very happy and grateful for I've learned and lived many moments with Ih." - Vitor, Brazil





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"Thanks to all your staff for their help, support and kindness. As in the previous years, I've been enjoying every tiny minute and IH's cosy and welcoming atmosphere!" - Suana, Germany

"I had only two weeks in Ih school, but I think I've learned so much. The teachers are professional, they can explain very well. Ih school gave me confidence to talk and learn English wherever you are or you came from." - Mawaddah, Saudi Arabia "One of my best moments, all the teachers I've been with were always doing their best to make our lessons useful and interesting. IH Cape Town is a five stars school and makes you feel the most comfortable possible." - Francis, Gabon "International House gave me new friends. This period that I was studying here was the only time in my life that I wanted to go to school. I hope back as soon as possible." - Gabrielle, Brazil

"After 4 months in IH, I can say that it has been the English immersion experience I was looking for. I couldn't have chosen a better school in Cape Town, not only for having such professional and friendly staff but also for meeting extraordinary people around the world. Strongly recommended!!" -Ignacio, Spain



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