

sidmouth

International School

COURSES FOR TEENAGERS & YOUNG ADULTS 2024

VACATION COURSES – EASTER (25 MARCH - 12 APRIL) & SUMMER (3 JUNE - 30 AUGUST)

TEENAGE & YOUNG ADULT INTENSIVE COURSES – AVAILABLE ALL YEAR

The school will be closed for Public Holidays on: 1 January, 29 March, 1 April, 6 May, 27 May, 26 August, 25 & 26 December 2024. No lesson time will be lost.

'A CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE' (EL GAZETTE SEPT 2023)

COURSE FEES INCLUDE:

- First day test to ensure correct class level
- 6 language levels from beginner A1 to advanced C2 (CEF)
- All tuition materials + end of course certificate
- Social, cultural and sports programme plus student handbook
- FREE accommodation booking service
- FREE transfer from London Heathrow Airport
- ID card with homestay address + phone number + school's 24 hour emergency phone number

TEENAGE INTENSIVE COURSE (14 - 17 YEARS) – ALL YEAR

This course is designed for students who wish to concentrate on their individual needs in a small group. The teaching focuses on the aims and interests of the students and encourages each student to develop their full potential. All four language skills are practised in class and effective communication is encouraged alongside both accuracy and fluency. Homework is set and marked on a weekly basis.

- Total **21 hours** (28 lessons) tuition per week
- 15 hours of general English tuition in groups (09.00-12.30, Monday to Friday, includes 30 min break)
- 6 hours of lessons based on the students' needs analysis (13.30-15.30, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)
- Guided independent learning and advice on study skills
- Personal tutor for students enrolled for 4 weeks or more
- **Class size:** Morning: Max 6 students (*Easter/October max 9, Summer max 15*). Afternoon: Max 6 students (*Easter/October and Summer max 9*)
- **Social programme:** 4.5 hours minimum of afternoon activities + 3 evening activities per week + excursions*
- Opportunity to enter EFL examinations (exam fees extra, please ask school for details)

* Evening activities and excursions may depend on student numbers during the low season.

COURSE FEE PER WEEK (Low season):

£475

COURSE FEE PER WEEK (Summer):

£581

YOUNG ADULT INTENSIVE COURSE (16 - 18 YEARS) - ALL YEAR

These courses are for the more mature, well-motivated student in this age group and are taught in the Adult Department. Small mixed nationality classes (Max 9 during Summer and 6 all other times) ensure a high level of individual attention. Full social programme included. (Beginners A1 are not accepted on these courses.) * Evening activities and excursions may depend on student numbers during the low season.

- Total **21 hours** (28 lessons) tuition per week
- 15 hours of general English tuition in groups (09.00-12.30, Monday to Friday, includes 30 min break)
- 6 hours of lessons based on the students' needs analysis (13.30-15.30, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)
- Guided independent learning and advice on study skills
- Personal tutor for students enrolled for 4 weeks or more
- **Class size:** Max 9 in the Summer and max 6 all other times.
- **Social programme:** 4.5 hours minimum of afternoon activities + 3 evening activities per week + excursions*
- Opportunity to enter EFL examinations (exam fees extra, please ask school for details)

COURSE FEE PER WEEK (Low season):

£513

COURSE FEE PER WEEK (Summer):

£623

TEENAGE VACATION COURSE (14 - 17 YEARS) – EASTER & SUMMER

This course is ideally suited to teenagers who require a general English course combined with an interesting and varied social activities programme. Mixed nationality groups follow communicative courses with an emphasis on improving their fluency and increasing their language knowledge. Our teachers work with their students to develop communication skills, increase their confidence and broaden understanding of both English language and culture.

- **15 hours** (20 lessons) of tuition per week (9.00-12.30, Monday to Friday, includes 30 min break)
- Mixed nationality classes (*Easter max 9, Summer max 15*)
- Fully supervised social programme includes afternoon activities and activities on 3 evenings + excursions

COURSE FEE PER WEEK: (Easter): £385 (Summer): £482

YOUNG ADULT VACATION COURSE (16 - 18 YEARS) – EASTER & SUMMER

This course is ideally suited for the more mature, well-motivated student in this age group. A great opportunity to study in small mixed nationality classes (Max 9 during Summer and 6 at Easter) ensuring a high level of individual attention with a full social programme in the afternoons and evenings. (Beginners A1 are **not** accepted on these courses.)

- **15 hours** (20 lessons) of tuition per week (9.00-12.30, Monday to Friday, includes 30 min break)
- Social programme includes afternoon activities and activities on 3 evenings + excursions

COURSE FEE PER WEEK: (Easter): £431 (Summer): £531

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Add registration fee £85 (Low season) and £120 (Summer) and accommodation to all course fees

Registration fee also includes travel insurance for all students.

Policy details and coverage is provided with registration confirmation and available on our website.

TEENAGE ACCOMMODATION

Our hosts only take students from SIS. We can guarantee no overcrowding, no adults or students under the age of 14 will share the same host. All families hosting students under the age of 18 have checks completed on behalf of the school by local and national government services and are regularly inspected by the school. Most homestays are an easy walk from the school. Breakfast and evening meals are included, with light lunch at weekends. Weekday lunches are not included; lunch is easily bought locally (allow £5 per day) and can be eaten at the teenage social centre.

HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION (per person)

Single room (low season only) £210 per week

Standard room* (high season only) £200 per week

***Please note during our high seasons, all Teenage students will be placed in a standard room (single or twin) according to age, nationality and gender. In order to maximise homestay capacity during busy times, the school will place students in either single or shared rooms depending on availability.**

Please note: a supplement may be charged for special diets – contact the school for further information

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

The social programme includes a half-day excursion on Thursdays and a full-day excursion on Saturdays. ALL ENTRY FEES INCLUDED. Afternoon and evening activities include sports, paddle-boarding*/sea kayaks,* arts/crafts and barbecues.*

They are organised and supervised by our team of social activity leaders.

(*summer only)

Extra activities: these are **not** included in the fees and are sometimes offered as an alternative to the free social programme.

Supervision: The safety and wellbeing of our students is our top priority. Students are supervised in classes and on the social programme. The staff/student ratio is 1:15.

All afternoon activities and excursions are compulsory. The school is situated in the centre of the town. Students can go to the town, parks or beach in their free time but they must go with another student from the school. There are regular 'check-in' times during the day when the students must register with either our staff or their homestay family.

The students are given detailed information on the rules and regulations of the School and British Law when they arrive.

Please note: some activities depend on the weather and/or the number of students. During the low season, the social programme and excursions may be reduced depending on student numbers. Staff are always available to advise students on interesting things to see and do in the local area.

TRANSFERS

We provide a FREE transfer to and from London Heathrow Airport every Saturday throughout the year. During high season the bus aims to arrive at the airport at 12.00 hrs and to depart no later than 16.30 hrs. Average journey time (including comfort stop) is 3.5 hours. To use this transfer:

Arrivals:

Flights must arrive at Heathrow before 15.30

Departures:

Flights must depart from Heathrow after 13.45

The bus departure time may vary during low season, please contact the school directly prior to booking flights. Regular shuttle buses link Heathrow and Gatwick Airport (journey time 80 min).

We offer an escort service (meet at arrivals gate and help with check-in on departure) for unaccompanied students.

Costs: £35 one-way for 14-15 years; £45 one-way for 16+.

To use this service, flights must arrive between 12.00 and 15.30 and depart between 13.45 and 16.30.

The school MUST be advised if a student is travelling with the airline's 'Unaccompanied Minor Service'.

An 'unaccompanied minor', commonly known as 'UM' is a child who is travelling alone without a parent, guardian or responsible adult.

Unaccompanied Minor Service is the special service provided by some airlines to supervise children whilst travelling. This service is usually booked by a parent or guardian and NOT to be confused with the School's Escort service.

We can arrange car transfers (up to 4 people) to Sidmouth from anywhere in the UK. Minimum price per car for single journey:

Heathrow £285; Gatwick £310; Bristol £160; Exeter £52. Our drivers will meet students at arrivals and help with check-in on departure.