

ENGLISH COLLEGE OF ADELAIDE

2018 Course Guide



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About ECA

The English College of Adelaide (ECA) is a NEAS endorsed ELICOS college located in Adelaide, South Australia. Established in 1991, ECA is a college which caters for students determined to acquire the English skills needed to succeed in social, business and academic life. It is located in the Adelaide's university district, in walking distance from Flinders University City Campus and TAFE SA. ECA strives to provide high quality, personal attention to all students in a warm, friendly environment.

School Philosophy

To provide learners with the highest standard of English language tuition and learning support to enable them to participate effectively in English, in social, work, and academic life, and through their knowledge of English, contribute to the development of their country.

School Profile

ECA was established in 1991 and between 100 and 150 students have graduated each year. Our graduates have enjoyed a high success rate in IELTS examinations and in higher education.

ECA teachers are energetic, dynamic and caring. They are committed to challenging and encouraging students to develop their English skills to the highest level they can.

Students come to ECA from all over the world - Asia, Africa, Europe, the Middle East and South America. Their ages vary from late teens to 60s, and they bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to share.

ECA is quality endorsed as a provider of English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS). Quality endorsement indicates that the provider has demonstrated achievement with the NEAS Quality Assurance principles in English Language Teaching.

What ECA Believes

- You should make the greatest improvement in your English in the shortest amount of time.
- Our fees should be affordable because you have worked hard to earn the money to come and study in Australia.
- Technology is important in education but nothing can replace personalised attention.
- English lessons should be educational and enjoyable and provided in a supportive and caring environment, with a mix of nationalities.
- Our NEAS (National ELICOS Accreditation Scheme) quality endorsement is your guarantee that you will receive quality education from qualified teachers in all our courses.
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GENERAL ENGLISH

(CRICOS Code 010020B)

General English is a very flexible study option. Students use a text book to practise speaking, listening, reading and writing in morning classes. In the afternoon, the focus is on conversation with a range of topics including Australia, its people and customs, current events and finding a job. Outside the classroom, students can enjoy educational, cultural and sporting activities.

Students can:

- Join a class any Monday excluding ECA holidays and South Australian public holidays.
- Study for as many weeks as they want (1 – 48 weeks).
- Choose from full-time or part-time courses (Student Visa holders must study full-time).

Sample Timetable for General English

Full-Time 25 hours per week - intensive

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.00-11.00	Focus on new grammar, vocabulary	*Theme day			
11.00-11.20	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11.20-12.50	Skills Practice	Skills Practice	Skills Practice	Skills Practice	*Theme day
12.50-13.30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
13.30-15.00	Intensive Speaking Practice	Listening Practice	Intensive Speaking Practice	Test/ activity (alternates fortnightly)	*Theme day

*Theme day- different topic every Friday. Practice in all skills and may include an activity, a project or a presentation

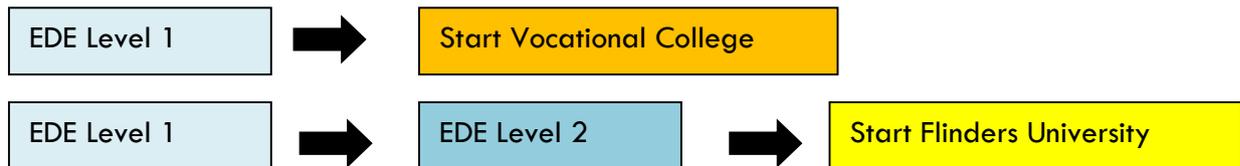
Full-Time 20 hours per week

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9.00-11.00	Focus on new grammar, vocabulary			
11.00-11.20	Break	Break	Break	Break
11.20-12.50	Skills Practice	Skills Practice	Skills Practice	Skills Practice
12.50-13.30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
13.30-15.00	Intensive Speaking Practice	Listening Practice	Intensive Speaking Practice	Test/ activity (alternates fortnightly)

ENGLISH FOR DIRECT ENTRY

(CRICOS Code 065626F)

English for Direct Entry is a pathway to higher education programs. This course has been developed for students who need a thorough preparation for higher education, including TAFE, other vocational institutions and university. Please visit our website for the list of institutions and courses.



English for Direct Entry Level 1 (25 hours per week, 12 weeks)

Level 1 introduces students to academic reading and writing and formal spoken language. Essay writing, note taking and formal oral presentations are key components of the course. Students must achieve a passing grade in all skills to complete the course successfully and receive direct entry to their vocational college, and where applicable, English for Direct Entry Level 2 (see Entry Requirements)

English for Direct Entry Level 2 (8 weeks, 20 hours per week)

Level 2 helps students to develop critical thinking and research skills and focuses on extended essay and research report writing, tutorial participation and note taking from lectures. Students must achieve a passing grade in all skills to complete the course successfully and satisfy the English language proficiency requirement for entry to all Flinders University undergraduate and post-graduate Level 1, 2 and 3 courses.

English Language Entry Requirements

Students will be required to take an entry test, or provide evidence of English proficiency from a recognised English test e.g. IELTS, TOEFL.

To enter EDE 1, students must have an overall score of IELTS 5.5 **(with no skill less than 5.5)** or equivalent. Students who do not meet the entry requirements for EDE 1 directly will be required to attend English for Academic Purposes first.

Students who are at a higher English level (IELTS 6.0) **(with no skill less than 6.0)** or equivalent may be able to enrol directly in Level 2 of the course.

Please contact us directly for enquiries about English for Direct Entry (EDE) entry requirements.

Please note: Students must be at least 18 years old and intending to undertake tertiary study within 12 months of completing their English course. Students must provide evidence of English proficiency from a recognised English test e.g. IELTS, TOEFL, achieved within the last 12 months. If the English proficiency test score is older than 12 months, students will be required to take an EDE entrance test.



ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

(CRICOS Code 010029D)

Preparing for entry Vocational Courses with a strong practical component or preparing for entry into the English College of Adelaide's English for Direct Entry Program

English for Academic Purposes (EAP) is a 12 week course that helps students develop build skills in formal and semi-formal and written and spoken English.

It provides students with the opportunity to apply their knowledge of English from school or university in their home country and to extend it in a wide range of in-class and out-of-class learning activities.

There is a strong focus on speaking and listening with audio and video tasks and regular oral presentations which give students the skills to communicate in English with confidence. The reading and writing component are especially useful for students who plan to use their English in further study. The course also includes some preparation for tests such as IELTS and PTE.

BUSINESS ENGLISH

(CRICOS Code 028374F)

Entry requirements:

- High Intermediate level in Speaking, Listening, Reading & Writing
- Strong interest in business

Business English prepares students for oral and written business communication in English. It is also a chance to share knowledge of business' cultures in different countries and learn how to apply your skills in English.

During this course, students interested TOEIC will be able to prepare for the TOEIC exam.

This course is aimed at students who:

- need a level of spoken fluency which will allow them to communicate in business situations including meetings, negotiations, presentations, and social occasions
- need to build their everyday business vocabulary and grammar
- need to write formal business letters, emails and reports

Topics covered in this full-time course include: Management, Marketing, Finance, Human Resources, Customer Service and E-Commerce.



ENGLISH FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

This short course is designed for those planning tertiary studies in healthcare and for those seeking work as a healthcare professional. Students will build their knowledge of specialist language and practise the communication skills they need to work confidently in a range of allied health situations.

INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

(Study Tours)

This program offers English language, sporting, cultural and educational activities.

Program Content

English lessons – English classes are held every morning. The lessons focus on communication, and are taught by qualified teachers, who are native speakers of English.

Activities – Activities are held most afternoons. They include excursions to wildlife parks, museums, beaches, botanical gardens and markets. Optional sporting activities are also offered, such as tennis, swimming, mini-golf and soccer. The afternoon activities consolidate English learned in the morning classes.

PLEASE NOTE

Study Tours can be arranged for groups of 10 or more. The dates and activities can be tailored to the group's needs. Please contact us for dates and more information.

ECA TERM DATES, ECA SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAY INFORMATION

ECA TERM DATES 2018

Term	Start Date	End Date
1	January 2	March 23
2	April 3	June 22
3	July 2	September 21
4	October 2	December 21

ECA SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2018

(no class during ECA School Holidays)

ECA Holiday	Start Date	End Date
Autumn Holiday	March 24	April 2
Winter Holiday	June 23	July 1
Spring Holiday	September 22	October 2
Summer Holiday	December 22	January 1 2019



GENERAL ENGLISH TERM INTAKE DATES 2018

General English courses commence on any Monday, excluding ECA holidays & South Australian Public holidays. Please see our Term dates for more information

For Beginner and Advanced General English Class intakes, please contact us.

ENGLISH FOR DIRECT ENTRY INTAKE DATES 2018

EDE Level 1 and Level 2 (20 weeks)

Starting Date	Finishing Date	Duration	CRICOS code
January 29	June 21	20 weeks	065626F
July 30	December 20	20 weeks	065626F
September 3	February 1, 2019	20 weeks	065626F

EDE Level 1 (12 weeks)

Starting Date	Finishing Date	Duration	CRICOS code
January 29	April 27	12 weeks	065626F
July 30	October 26	12 weeks	065626F
September 3	November 23	12 weeks	065626F

EDE Level 2 (8 weeks)

Starting Date	Finishing Date	Duration	CRICOS code
April 30	June 21	8 weeks	065626F
October 29	December 20	8 weeks	065626F
December 3	February 1, 2019	8 weeks	065626F

Please note that all ECA course dates are subject to change without notice

SOUTH AUSTRALIA PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

(ECA IS CLOSED ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS)

Public Holiday	Day	Date	Month
New Year's Day	Monday	1	January
Australia Day	Friday	26	January
Adelaide Cup Day	Monday	12	March
Good Friday	Friday	30	March
Easter Monday	Monday	2	April
Anzac Day	Wednesday	25	April
Queen's Birthday	Monday	11	June
Labour Day	Monday	1	October
Christmas Day	Tuesday	25	December
Proclamation Day	Wednesday	26	December