English
Language Courses 2012

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Why Swinburne College?

- **English language courses at a glance**
  - New intake for all levels every five weeks
  - Average class size is 15 students
  - Almost 400 students from nearly 40 countries
  - Swinburne is one of the most cost-effective university English language providers in Melbourne
  - Advanced-level classes focus on the language specific to your future study area – whether it’s business, design, engineering or IT.

Swinburne’s English Language Centre can help improve your English for personal development or prepare you for direct entry to Swinburne University of Technology.

Some of the benefits of studying English at Swinburne include:

**Individual study support**
Classes have an average of 15 students, which gives you more individual attention from your teachers. Our staff are specifically trained and have many years experience teaching English, both in Australia and overseas.

**Formal and informal language tuition**
In addition to formal classes, we have a daily Conversation Club and one-on-one Grammar and Vocabulary Sessions. They are hosted by volunteers from the Swinburne Student Amenities Association (SSAA) and are a fun way to learn from native English speakers.

**Inner-city location**
We are located at the Hawthorn campus in one of Melbourne’s popular inner-city suburbs. The campus is close to many shopping, eating, transport and entertainment options and is just 10 to 15 minutes by train from Melbourne’s city centre.

**Cultural diversity**
We have almost 400 students from nearly 40 countries. This will enable you to practise your English and make friends with other students from all over the world. Melbourne has a long history of multiculturalism, which makes for a community that is welcoming of new people and experiences.

**Smooth transition to university**
The English Language Centre is located on campus and you will have full access to all of the university’s services and facilities. We enjoy a close relationship with Swinburne’s schools and faculties, which means you’ll get a great educational experience in a dynamic, university environment.

**Guaranteed entry to Swinburne University of Technology**
Once you have successfully completed English for Academic Purposes to the required level and achieved other relevant entry requirements, you will have guaranteed entry to a wide range of certificate, diploma, bachelor, master and higher research degree courses at Swinburne.

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Swinburne College students and staff enjoy an end-of-year celebration lunch – one of many social activities held throughout the year.

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**The Good Universities Guide 2011 rated Swinburne with more 5 stars for education experience than any other university in Melbourne**

- ★★★★★ Teaching quality
- ★★★★★ Graduate satisfaction
- ★★★★★ Generic skills
- ★★★★★ Staff qualifications
**English language courses**
Swinburne’s English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS) range in duration from five to 50 weeks. The length of your course will depend on your current level of English and whether you want to continue with further study.

**General English (Elementary to Intermediate)**
25 contact hours per week (including five hours of e-learning)
General English will help you to improve your everyday English. It covers reading, writing, listening and speaking and will increase your confidence using English.

Classes include:
- listening and oral communication skills
- grammar and vocabulary development
- supervised independent learning
- excursions and social activities.

**General English (Intermediate to Advanced)**
25 contact hours per week (including five hours of e-learning)
English for Academic Purposes prepares you for direct entry to Swinburne. It focuses on the language, critical thinking and academic skills required in your further studies. The advanced level focuses on the language skills specific to your study area.

You will develop your skills in:
- assignment, report and essay writing
- academic reading, listening and note-taking
- communication and interaction in the academic environment
- oral presentations and seminar discussions
- research and library techniques.

**Intensive English (Advanced)**
25 contact hours per week (including five hours of e-learning)
If you have already achieved the English requirements for your course, we recommend that you take this five-week intensive program. It is designed to refresh your English language skills and prepare you for academic study before you begin your course.

**IELTS Exam Preparation (Advanced)**
25 contact hours per week (including five hours of e-learning)
This course will prepare you for – and improve your chance of success in – the IELTS test. It covers reading, writing, listening and speaking.

It will help you:
- understand the IELTS exam format
- improve your speaking accuracy and fluency
- analyse and construct effective writing tasks
- develop strategies for the listening and reading tests
- receive extensive feedback from experienced IELTS teachers.

**English Language Course Structure**

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<td>Intensive English (Advanced)</td>
<td>5 weeks</td>
<td>Intensive English 5-week refresher for students who have already met the entry requirements for their course.</td>
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**English Placement Test**
You will need to undertake an English Placement Test when you arrive at Swinburne. This will enable us to assess your English language skills and place you in the appropriate level.

**Approximate commencement levels**
- Advanced: IELTS 5.5 –6.0
- Upper-intermediate: IELTS 5.0 –5.5
- Intermediate: IELTS 4.5 –5.0

For equivalent IELTS scores (e.g. TOEFL), visit www.international.swinburne.edu.au/english

**Direct entry to Swinburne**
Students who successfully complete English for Academic Purposes can progress directly to their Swinburne course. Entry is subject to achieving the required results and all other conditions. English language requirements for individual courses can vary.
Please check www.international.swinburne.edu.au/courses

**IELTS Exam Preparation**
Advanced-level course to prepare students for the IELTS exam.
E-learning and the Independent Learning Centre

Independent learning and research skills are an important part of university study. As part of your English language course, you will spend five hours each week developing your e-learning skills.

You can complete the e-learning component of your course on Blackboard, the College’s online learning management system, from home or anywhere with a reliable internet connection.

You can also use the Independent Learning Centre (ILC), which has many resources to help develop your e-learning and research skills. These include:

- modern, up-to-date computers
- online and print materials to improve your listening, pronunciation and comprehension skills
- online tutorials to extend what you are learning in class
- workshops to help organise your work and develop your academic skills
- worksheets and activities to prepare you for IELTS examinations.

The ILC also has daily newspapers and a selection of magazine journals to broaden your knowledge of current affairs and help you prepare for assignments.

2012 tuition fees*

The weekly fee for English language tuition is A$385, plus a one-off A$200 enrolment fee.

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* All fees are subject to annual review and may be adjusted.
Group Programs and Short Courses

Swinburne College group programs and short courses are a great introduction to life and study in Australia. You will be able to improve your English, discover Melbourne and find out what Swinburne has to offer.

We have been providing such programs for almost 20 years to groups from all over the world, including China, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, Korea and Thailand.

We provide a range of customised programs for students, teachers, educational institutes and government groups. These include:

Study tours
Participants can improve their English, explore Melbourne and learn about Australian culture.

Short-term intensive English
Students can join our regular intensive English classes and achieve credit towards studies at their home institution (subject to prior arrangement).

Longer group programs
Combine English language tuition with studies in a specific area, such as business, design, engineering or information technology (IT).

We can include work experience or volunteer placements as part of your program*. This is a great way to experience the Australian workplace and develop your English in a professional context.

These programs are also an excellent opportunity for accompanying staff to participate in classes and learn about the teaching style in Australia.

Find out more at www.swinburnecollege.edu.au/group-programs

* Not applicable to student visa holders.

Studying in Melbourne

Melbourne is a vibrant, cosmopolitan city with a population of 4 million people. It has clean fresh air and beautiful parks and gardens.

A city of magnificent architecture, Melbourne prides itself on its spectacular combination of the old and the new. Glorious parks and gardens, elegant streetscapes, and diverse multicultural communities combine to make Melbourne one of Australia’s most popular destinations for migrants and tourists.

The city is only a short distance from many beautiful beaches, perfect for swimming and water sports. Victorian mountain regions, where skiing is popular during winter, and the rainforest of the Dandenong Ranges make ideal day trips.

Olga Sandoval, Colombia

“Swinburne offers many facilities for learning English. I enjoy the atmosphere, student activities and use of all the university’s services.

Each week I exercise and improve my academic and general skills. I can feel my progress each day. The College has many spaces and material for self-directed study, and one-on-one time with teachers and other students.

Studying English in Australia is a great opportunity to interact with other cultures – there are students from all around the world. Really, it’s a worthwhile experience.”
ANY QUESTIONS?

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