



General English: Elementary to Upper Intermediate

Four Levels - Elementary, Pre Intermediate,
Intermediate, Upper Intermediate (10-40 Weeks)



Description

The standard course length is 40 weeks of General English. Each week there are 20 face-to-face contact hours. This 40-week period is made up of four levels that each correspond to 10 weeks of course work. For every 10 weeks that a student is enrolled in the course, they are able to apply for 2 weeks of study break

(maximum 8). There is also a 2 weeks mandatory holiday period over the Christmas/New Year period. As a result, there is a maximum of 10 weeks of study break over the course of the fully 40 week course if the enrolment includes the Christmas/New Year period.

ABOUT THE COURSE

CEFR Level	Equivalent IELTS Exit	General English Level	Description of proficiency
A1	4.0	Elementary	Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases aimed at the satisfaction of needs of a concrete type. Can introduce him/herself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has. Can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.
A2	4.5	Pre-Intermediate	Can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment). Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters. Can describe in simple terms aspects of his/her background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.
B1	5.0	Intermediate	Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. Can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. Can produce simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest. Can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes & ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.
B2	5.5	Upper Intermediate	Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party. Can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.

Course Duration

This course is offered full time over 50 Weeks including holidays on a full-time basis. Student may choose to exit the course at the end of elementary, pre intermediate, intermediate or upper intermediate level.

Course Fees

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Note: Student will be provided with option of easy monthly instalments.

Entry Requirements

Students come to Yarra College from different proficiencies across the four macro skills and, as a result, all students need to take a placement test prior to the commencement of classes. All students take a speaking and writing test which is marked by the Director of Studies or the Assistant Director of Studies according to a criterion-referenced scale. These tests and scales form the basis of the Placement Tests. Because the courses can accommodate students with only a very low grasp of English, Yarra College is able to accept students into the Elementary course even if they are at a very low level.

Target Learner Group

Students enter at different levels depending on their proficiency across the four macro skills when they enrol. They are not native speakers of English but have a desire to learn the language. Students come from a range of ages, but all are older than 18. Students include but not limited to:

- Student visa holders that want to improve their English for further study in Australia
- Tourist visa holders that want to improve their travel experience

- Working Holiday visa holders that want to study English but also do part time work. Often these students study English first to get their language skills up to working level.

Modes And Methods Of Delivery

All classes are conducted for a minimum of 20 hours of face-to-face classes per week. Any homework or online/distance learning is in addition to the core 20 hours face-to-face in class.

Attendance

Teachers keep attendance records. All attendance, test scores, and speaking and writing grades are recorded on the class roll. Administration staff enter this information into the Student Management System. Any student who is approaching the 80% threshold will be emailed and provided with a printed letter of warning

Please refer to the Progress, Attendance and Academic Counselling Policy.

Pathways

After attending the course, individuals could progress to access further study pathways including higher education *
(*Subject to provider's assessment & entry requirements)

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