



ENGLISH LANGUAGE IRELAND
Dorset College Dublin

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WELCOME TO DORSET COLLEGE DUBLIN

Dorset College Dublin, founded in 1983 is a well-established educational provider with our English language school located in the heart of Dublin's city centre, beside the beautiful Mountjoy Square park. Situated only 10 minutes walk from O'Connell Street, one of Europe's widest thoroughfares, the College is accessible by all modes of public transport to all areas of the city.

Dorset College offers a flexible and extensive range of high quality English Language Programmes. These include Standard General English, Intensive General English, Pre-Foundation English, Business English, Examination Preparation, Specialist English and the TEFL Teacher Training courses. We aim to provide the best language training possible and we constantly seek to enhance the learning experience of our students. Whatever your reason for choosing Ireland to study, we hope you will choose Dorset College for your English language studies. You will certainly be very welcome in our school.

RECOGNITION

Dorset College is recognised by ACELS under the auspices of the Department of Education and Science for the teaching of English as a foreign language. We are also members of MEI Relsa.

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REASONS TO CHOOSE DORSET COLLEGE

- Excellent facilities and a unique campus atmosphere
- Friendly staff providing individual attention and small class sizes guaranteed
- City centre location
- A dynamic team of highly qualified and motivated teachers
- Wide range of programmes to suit all levels
- Centrally located with easy access to all transport networks
- Value for money
- Industry standard qualifications
- Professional training materials
- Internet and wifi facilities
- Students' study room with wifi
- Language Laboratory





IRELAND

EXPERIENCE IRELAND FOR YOURSELF

Ireland is an independent Republic of over four million inhabitants. Traditionally known, for centuries as the land of Saints and Scholars, it is a young, vibrant country with a long and prestigious tradition in education. Ireland has provided the world with many of the greatest names in English Literature – W.B. Yeats, George Bernard Shaw, James Joyce, Oscar Wilde, Jonathan Swift, Patrick Kavanagh and Samuel Beckett. It has often been claimed that the best English is written and spoken in Ireland.

Also, in the area of the Arts, our traditional musical heritage is alive and well and continues in the music of The Chieftains, U2, Westlife, the Corrs, Enya and Van Morrison.

Ireland's weather is temperate, never too hot or cold. In Ireland, students can enjoy traditional Irish food, drink, good music and easy access to the lovely countryside. These factors together with the warmth and friendliness of the Irish people help to ensure that Ireland offers students a unique atmosphere in which to learn English.

To find out more about Ireland visit: www.failteireland.ie and www.ireland.ie

DUBLIN – A FRIENDLY VIBRANT CITY

Set like a jewel, between the Dublin Mountains and the Irish Sea, Dublin is known as one of Europe's most beautiful cities. In a 2003 European-wide survey conducted by the BBC, Dublin was voted the city most people would like to live in. It is the capital of the Irish Republic with a population of approximately one and a quarter million, of which about half are under 25. Culture and music are everywhere. It is a vibrant, cosmopolitan city with many restaurants, theatres, music venues, art galleries and of course pubs. Every part of Ireland is easily accessible from Dublin.

To find out more about Dublin visit:

www.coursesinenglish.ie www.visitdublin.ie www.dublinks.ie www.dublin.ie www.dublintonist.com



A STUDENTS' FIRST DAY

Each student is met personally and welcomed when they arrive at Dorset College. On the first day, all students who have not completed our online placement test will receive a placement test to determine their current level of English. They will then attend an induction where they meet other new students and key staff members. At the induction students are given a welcome pack which includes maps and information about Dublin and Ireland. The placement test consists of a multiple choice grammar questionnaire and an oral test with the Director of Studies. You are then placed in a class at an appropriate level. During the afternoon of the first day there is an opportunity to take a guided walking tour of the city in the company of the school's Student Welfare Officer, giving them the opportunity to get to know the city and make Dublin their home from home.

We believe that feedback is important as it helps us provide a better experience and service for our students. For this reason students are encouraged to complete a questionnaire after their first week and to make suggestions about the school.

The International Office is here to assist you in booking your course and sourcing accommodation for your stay in Dublin if required. The office will make arrangements to suit your needs and will ensure that your stay is a pleasant and fulfilling one in the College and in Dublin.

All of **our teachers** are University graduates with specialist TEFL qualifications to teach English as a foreign language. Many of our teachers have built up extensive experience over the years teaching both in Ireland and in other countries. Each teacher has been trained to understand the individual learning needs of participants. We prepare our lessons carefully and use a wide variety of materials to make the lessons as student friendly and interesting as possible.

Our Team is there to assist you throughout your time with us. **Our Aim** is to encourage your development as independent language learner throughout.



OUR SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Part of the experience of travelling to another country to learn English is to socialise with fellow students, to relax and enjoy your time while learning about the history and culture of the country that you are visiting.

To ensure that students can have an exceptional experience we organise weekly social and cultural events which include:

Afternoon activities include: A Walking Tour of Dublin City, Free English Classes, Job Club, Excursion to Local Museums, Excursion to an Exhibition, Dublinia Viking Adventure, Film Club at Dorset College, Irish Language Class (Rang Gaeilge), Visit to Botanic Gardens and a Book Club.

Evening Activities include: Greyhound Racing, Irish Dancing Lessons at Dorset College, Bowling and group outings to the Cinema.

Half Day Excursions include: Kilmainham Gaol(Jail), Guinness Storehouse and Newgrange, Co. Meath.

Full Day excursions include: Powerscourt Gardens & Glendalough, Boyne Valley, Cliffs of Moher, Connemara and Cong, Kilkenny Castle & Town, Giant's Causeway and Carlingford Lough to name a few.

With such a lively schedule of events our Student Welfare Officer is busy making sure that students are kept regularly informed on what's happening. Being the capital city of Ireland means that Dublin has a constant line-up of wonderful events to attend that attract visitors from across the globe.

OUR FACILITIES

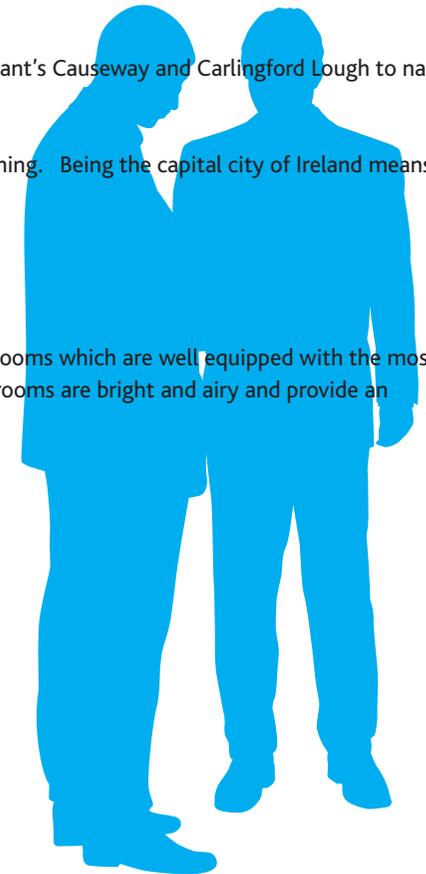
Our facilities include a student self study room, a language laboratory with six dedicated computers, canteen facilities and large number of classrooms which are well equipped with the most advanced teaching aids – sixty computers, audio, video and LCD equipment. This ensures a varied and stimulating learning experience. The classrooms are bright and airy and provide an atmosphere conducive to learning.

OUR SUPPORT SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The International office provides a range of services to international students as follows:

- Collection of students at Dublin Airport by College representative
- Arrangement of host family or residential accommodation
- Provision of letters to enable students to open Bank account
- Provision of a study visa letter if required
- Provision of a travel visa letter if required
- Organisation of cultural and leisure activities
- 24 Hour help-line (emergency phone)

We have an open door policy that allows students to speak to staff at any time. We are always there to listen and help when we can.



CHOOSE FROM OUR WIDE RANGE OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES

INTRODUCTION

At Dorset College we offer a range of English language courses to meet the language learning needs of our students. Our portfolio of courses includes General English, Examination Preparation, Pre-Foundation English, Teacher Refresher, Junior and Adult Groups programmes. Our courses are available throughout the year. Students may start these English courses on any Monday at 9am and the minimum stay is one week.

GENERAL ENGLISH

STANDARD GENERAL ENGLISH (GE1)

The General English course is structured to provide a solid grounding and improvement in the core language skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking. This course is offered in the morning class periods, is open to students from elementary to advanced levels and focuses on a communicative approach to learning. There are 15 full hours comprised of 20 full lessons of 45 minutes duration each.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH (GE2)

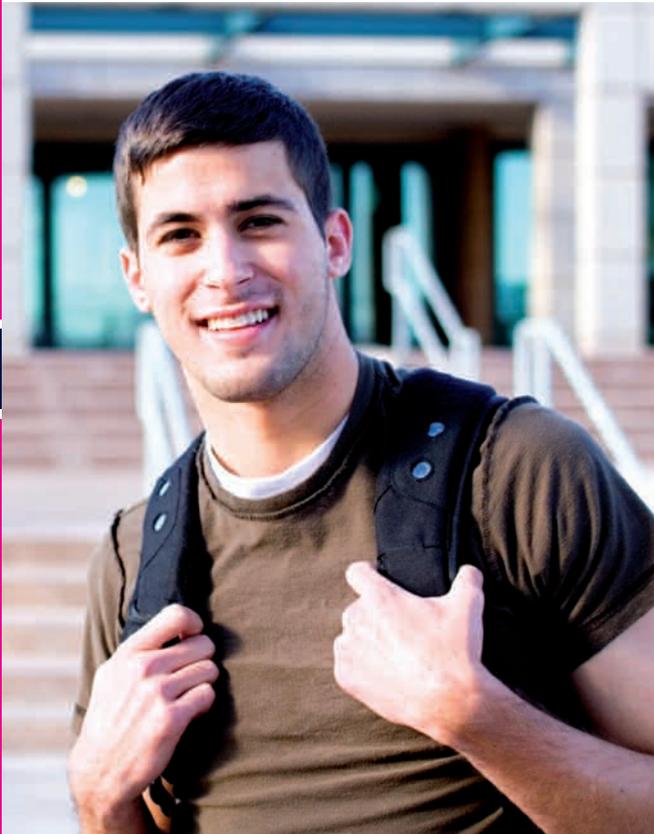
Including all the elements of Standard General English (GE1) above, this course complements the work of morning classes with a focus on additional conversation-based activities in an afternoon group class. There are 22.5 full hours comprised of 30 full lessons of 45 minutes duration each.

COMBINATION GENERAL ENGLISH (GE3)

Students who wish to complement their Intensive English study with individual tuition find this course option of considerable benefit. Group classes in the morning are supplemented with one hour of tailored intensive tuition in the afternoon. A personal programme for individual tuition is worked out and agreed with the tutor at the beginning of classes and may be reviewed as necessary.

PRIVATE LESSONS (PT)

Taking private lessons allows students to benefit from flexible English tuition tailored to their individual requirements. Lessons can follow a structured format or can be arranged to concentrate on a particular area of the student's choice.



GENERAL BUSINESS ENGLISH (GE1B)

General Business English is designed specifically for students who are interested in developing their general English language skills and enhancing these for work in a business setting. This course combines group standard general English morning classes (GE1 above) with a business elective, in group classes, focusing on a syllabus of business topics, such as buying, selling, ordering and marketing, on three afternoons per week. There are 22.5 full hours comprised of 30 full lessons of 45 minutes duration each.

PRE-FOUNDATION INTENSIVE ENGLISH (PFE)

Including all the elements of Standard General English (GE1) our Pre-Foundation English courses are designed to get you to a minimum IELTS 5.0 entry level for our Foundation courses in Business, Science & Health and Engineering & Technology. Classes for this programme are run throughout the year. There are 22.5 full hours comprised of 30 full lessons of 45 minutes duration each.

EXAMINATION PREPARATION

At Dorset College you can study for the most important internationally-recognised English language examinations. Students can choose to prepare for the The University of Cambridge Examinations FCE and CAE both Standard and Intensive courses. We also offer the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), the Test of Interactive English (TIE) and the Cambridge BULATS exam.

CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION PREPARATION - FCE/CAE STANDARD

These courses prepares candidates to successfully complete the examinations which take place three times annually. The Standard courses, which take place in the morning, commence generally either 10 weeks before the March session or 13 weeks before the June and December sessions for the scheduled examination dates.

LEVELS

FCE Minimum Level - Intermediate
CAE Minimum Level - Upper Intermediate

CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION PREPARATION – FCE/CAE INTENSIVE

Cambridge Examination Preparation courses are specifically focused on preparing candidates to successfully complete the examinations which take place three times each year. Intensive courses take place in morning and afternoon classes, and commence six weeks before the scheduled examination dates.

LEVELS

FCE Minimum Level - Strong Intermediate
CAE Minimum Level - Strong Upper Intermediate

For further information visit the exam preparation courses section of our website www.coursesinenglish.ie



JUNIORS & GROUPS

GROUP COURSES

Dorset College Dublin provides tailor-made courses and packages for groups of adult and junior students. Over the years we have built up considerable experience in working with groups who request specialised English language holiday programmes.

Our packages include course fees, airport transfers, accommodation options and optional social and excursion packages. We can offer programmes to groups studying specific topics of interest; Irish Culture or General English classes.

These courses are particularly suited to school groups and combine with social and cultural programmes in the afternoons and weekends. Groups can be placed in host family accommodation with full board or in residential apartments. With both options students are placed in close proximity to the college.

Our English language department can design a course that suits the needs of your particular group. We have designed English language courses on specialised topics such as Business, Law, Management, Marketing, Economics and Tourism and popular options include Anglo-Irish Literature and English for Specific Purposes.

For further information contact our International office directly at dcid@dorset-college.ie

TEACHER REFRESHER TRAINING FOR NON-NATIVE SPEAKERS SECONDARY LEVEL TEACHERS

Designed specifically with the teaching needs of second level teachers in mind, this skills refresher course aims to help practitioners:

- to keep up with recent changes and developments in language teaching
- to update and develop their skills
- to refresh and develop their command of English

Three core areas are covered by the course:

- Methodology, such as lesson planning, skills, communication
- Advanced language analysis, including grammar, register, authentic language, pronunciation
- Workshops on special topics like warmers and fillers, use of video, culture and speaking

The course also comprises a social and cultural component and content can be adjusted depending on the needs and objectives of the participating teachers. There are 15 full hours comprised of 20 full lessons of 45 minutes duration each.

Levels Minimum level: Strong Intermediate desirable

Minimum Booking: 2 weeks



DISCOVER IRELAND FOR THE OVER 50'S

Dorset College offers an exciting English language and cultural activities course exclusively for the over 50's age group. Travel with like-minded people within a closed group, and explore Dublin and Ireland for your two week stay. The course combines enjoyable English language practice with exciting opportunities to explore Ireland's unique cultural heritage.

This tailor-made programme is designed to be flexible and to respond to the needs of each group, focusing on particular group interests such as Irish music, history, architecture and nature. The structure of the language is taught within a conversational framework, to help you to communicate in spoken and written English. The course caters for different levels, encompassing listening, speaking, reading and writing. Course materials and methods are focused on creating a relaxed atmosphere in which you can enjoy learning and practising English.

You will be taught by our highly trained and motivated teachers. An expert guide, who makes participants feel welcome from the moment they arrive at Dorset College, accompanies the group on all activities.

NURSING ENGLISH, NURSING COMMUNICATIONS & NURSING SKILLS PROGRAMME

Our Nursing English programmes are designed for qualified nurses who wish to reach an advanced level of English and also a comprehensive understanding of nursing terms, communications and teamwork. Included in this programme is an introduction to Nursing in Ireland.

This dynamic course will run over 25 weeks, and will have a total of 400 class contact study hours. Students will complete 3 core modules involving 16 hours of class studies each week. In addition all students will be assigned to a clinical work placement block of 40 hours at a selected health care facility.

MODULES

Nursing English & IELTS Preparation
Nursing Communications & Teamwork
Contemporary Nursing Knowledge and Practice Skills.

ENGLISH FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES

Our English for Specific Purposes courses focus on developing Communicative Language competencies in specific fields, such as Law, Medicine, Healthcare, Aviation, Military, Engineering, Business Studies, Science and Technology, etc.

The key to ESP is relevancy to the individual student's needs and we aim to cater to all ESP requests. Thus, at Dorset College we ensure that the language structures, topics and text-types, grammar and vocabulary items which are studied in an ESP class are tailored to meet the individual's needs. This enables our students to develop the confidence and communication skills required for professional integration into an English-speaking working environment.

Over the years Dorset College Dublin has built up considerable experience in working with adult groups who request specialised English language programmes. Our packages can include course fees, airport transfers, accommodation options and optional social and excursion packages. We have many years experience in teaching ESP courses to Lawyers, Business Executives, Medical Professionals, Military Personnel, IT Specialists, Engineers and older adults (50+).

EXAMPLES OF ESP COURSES

Business English for Executives, English and Law, General English and Microsoft Office Packages, English and Information Technology, English for Accounting and Finance.

ACCOMMODATION

We understand that accommodation is a very important part of your stay while attending our English language courses. Because we know our students have varied requests we have a number of accommodation preferences available to suit your requirements. Our accommodation services co-ordinate mixed nationalities where possible, to allow you to meet new friends and understand cultures from different parts of the world.

Our accommodation choices can be grouped into three main types, all of which can be booked online at the same time you book your course. We also offer a transport service from the airport to ensure you arrive comfortably and safely to your accommodation.

HOST FAMILY ACCOMMODATION

We will arrange accommodation with friendly, carefully chosen and approved Irish host families. Our host families provide bed, breakfast, dinner, light supper and light laundry facilities. All host families are interviewed by our experienced staff before being accepted as a registered host family. Every prospective host family's home is visited by us to ensure suitability. Approved host families are carefully monitored to guarantee they are maintaining high standards and meeting our students' needs. This monitoring process includes student feedback through personal contact with our staff and student questionnaires. (*All year round)

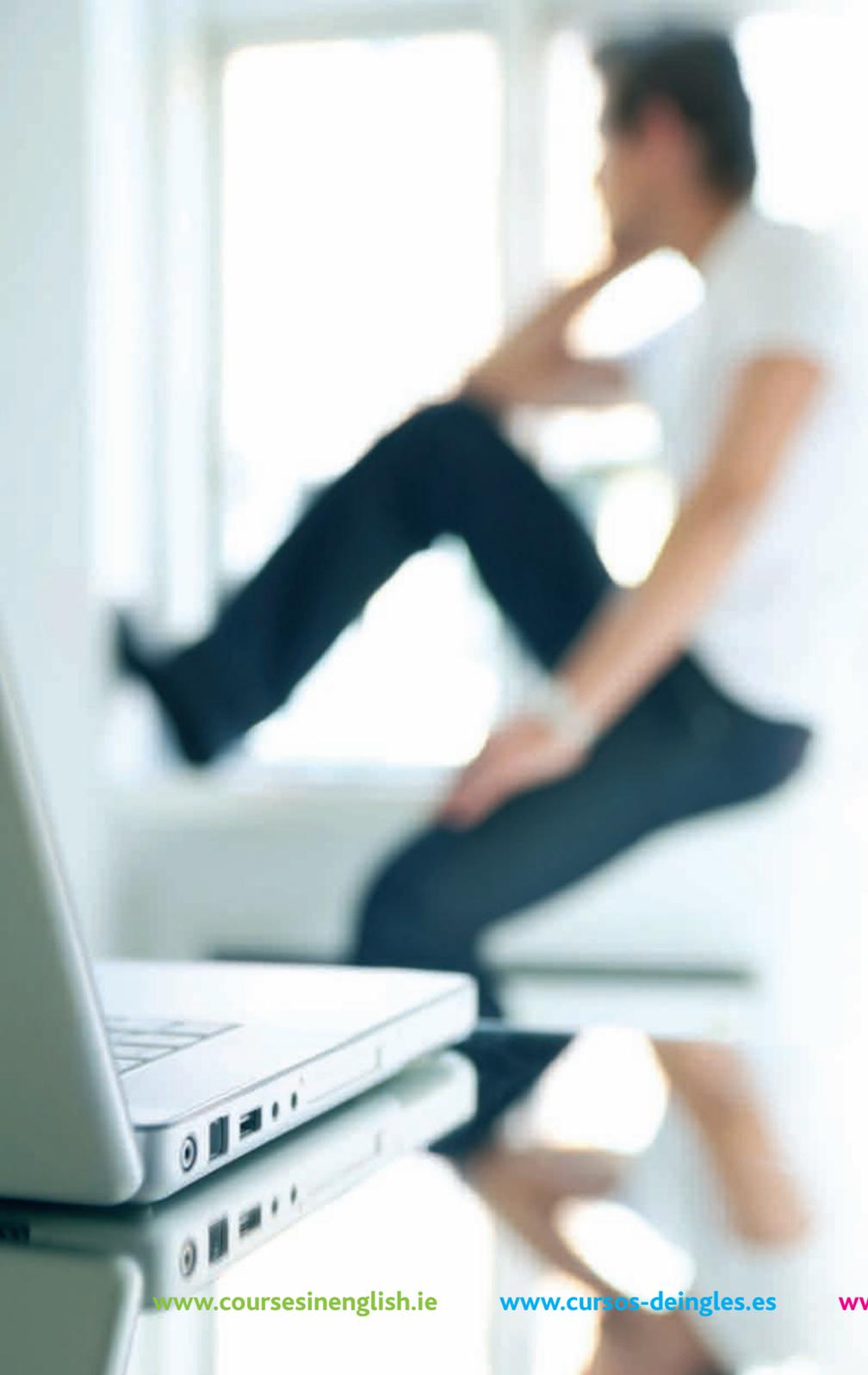
RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION

We offer self catering apartments as an accommodation option. Students can choose either a single or twin room and share a fully equipped kitchen, bathroom and sitting room. This allows the students to cater for themselves in a comfortable modern apartment. The bedrooms have been designed to be spacious complete with study area. (*All year round)

QUALITY HOTEL OR BED AND BREAKFAST ACCOMMODATION

Dorset College works closely with a number of carefully selected Hotels and Bed and Breakfast Guesthouses to offer some excellent nightly and weekly rates. For further information on seasonal offers and details of the accommodation choices please contact us directly. Bookings for hotel and guest house accommodation can be directed through the school by request at the time of course booking. (*All year round)





BECOMING A STUDENT OF DORSET COLLEGE IS EASY...

- Choose your course, your accommodation, airport pickup on our website www.coursesinenglish.ie
- Payment is online on a secure server
- We will contact you to confirm your booking

USE OUR SECURE AND EASY PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Book securely online and pay by visa or mastercard
- Send us a cheque and a completed application form
- Transfer the fees directly to our bank account

STUDENT VISA'S

- EU students do not require a visa
- Non-EU students should contact their local Irish Consulate or Embassy for information regarding visas

For visa information visit www.inis.gov.ie

PERSONAL INSURANCE

Personal Travel Insurance is recommended to cover lost or stolen items or illness.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHERE ARE WE LOCATED?

Dorset College is very conveniently located in Dublin's city centre only 10 minutes from it's main thoroughfare O'Connell Street. Buses from the airport pass through Dorset Street to reach the city and we are only 10 minutes from Connolly train and bus stations.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I ARRIVE IN IRELAND?

All students can be collected on arrival at Dublin Airport by a college representative and transferred to their accommodation.

DO I NEED A VISA?

Students from EU countries do not require visas to enter Ireland. Applications must normally be made through the Irish Embassy or Consulate in the applicant's country of permanent residence and applicants may be required to attend a personal interview. If there is no Irish Embassy or Consulate in the applicant's country of permanent residence the application may be made through any Irish Embassy or Consulate.

DO I REQUIRE MEDICAL INSURANCE?

All students should obtain medical insurance in their own country prior to departure. Travel insurance is also recommended. Dorset College can arrange medical insurance on the students' behalf and details can be issued on request.

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO TRAVEL AROUND DUBLIN?

Student commuter tickets for unlimited travel on Dublin Bus and Dart train services can be purchased at a reasonable rate from Dublin Bus main ticket office.

WHAT FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE IN DORSET COLLEGE?

Our facilities include five computer laboratories with Internet access and classrooms equipped with the most advanced teaching aids. We have a canteen in each of our buildings and a student self study room for extra homework or study. Computers, audio, video and LCD equipment ensure a varied and stimulating learning experience. The classrooms are bright and airy and provide a conducive atmosphere for learning. WIFI hotspots are available throughout the college for students with laptop computers.

DO I GET A CERTIFICATE?

A College certificate is presented to all students on completion of their course. This includes a record of the students' progress and attendance on the course.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The cultural activities programme will give the student the opportunity to meet and experience the people and culture of Ireland. We organise an excellent social programme throughout the year.

EMERGENCY SERVICE

The College provides a highly personalised service to its students and emergency telephone contact is provided 24 hours a day.

TESTIMONIALS



Mr. Yohei Ishikawa from Japan

Put simply, Dorset College is a friendly school; it is not only friendly but also a good school to study English. For instance, students who come from many different countries are trying to speak English all the time. I have been studying English for a long time; however, it had not increased before I came here. Dorset College gave us a good opportunity to study English in spite of a short term course or long term course. It depends on the person though I count on this school.



Ms. Abimarlida Garcia Arias from Colombia

I feel lucky to have chosen this college for my English studies. I like everything here! I like the familiar atmosphere with my classmates, teachers and in general with all the people. I am thankful for a really efficient customer service. I enjoy very much our social activities here, especially our tourist trips on Wednesdays. Above all of this I am very happy with the excellent qualifications and the methodology of my teachers. I think that Dorset College is a good choice.



Ms. Lucia Belen Lostao from Argentina

I came to Ireland to learn English and I'm enjoying my stay here. I have met a lot of people from different countries and my English is improving a lot every day. I'm having a really nice experience! I would recommend Dorset College.



Mr. Giovanni Pierobon from Italy

My name is Giovanni. I am seventeen and I come from Italy. I chose to come here to improve my English. I'm very happy of this choice because in Dorset College I've found a lot of funny and qualified teachers, polite and helpful receptionists and nice and friendly students that have made my experience amazing and unforgettable!!



Ms. Ana Isabel Angulo Delgado from Spain

My stay in Dublin was great. I had a good time visiting places, museums, pubs and meeting people from around the world. The school is very beautiful and comfortable. It's a Georgian house in a perfect situation. I would recommend Dorset College.

TESTIMONIALS



Mr. Robert Pahlen from Germany

I had a wonderful time in Dublin thanks to the great Irish people, the Irish craic and Dorset College. Your staff and course work are brilliant. My main objective was to improve my language skills, but what I achieved was much more: The best experience I have ever had!



Mr. Diogo Machado Menichelli From Brazil

Well, I can say to anyone who hasn't decided yet the school which is the best choice is Dorset College. It is a serious school and competent in teaching people. Everybody who works here is totally qualified to facilitate our difficult journey to learn English.



Mr. Jurijs Afanasjevs from Latvia

There is always fun and many nice students of different nationalities. Atmosphere in the classes is very good and the teachers and classmates are all very nice and helpful. I was really impressed by the high level of teaching in the college. The good mix between theory and practice is very, very helpful. It provides for the different needs of different students. No doubt, it was an excellent choice for me.



Mr. Jamie Salas Muniz from Mexico

My experience is very good at Dorset College. The teachers, dynamics, building, staff and social programmes are perfect. When you start it is always difficult because you are from a different country but if you need one thing the staff always help you. The levels are good you can ask anything and the teachers answer all. I recommend this school and you need to live this experience. Dublin is an excellent city and you can do many things in your stay here.



Mr. Emmanuel Ezenwa from Belize

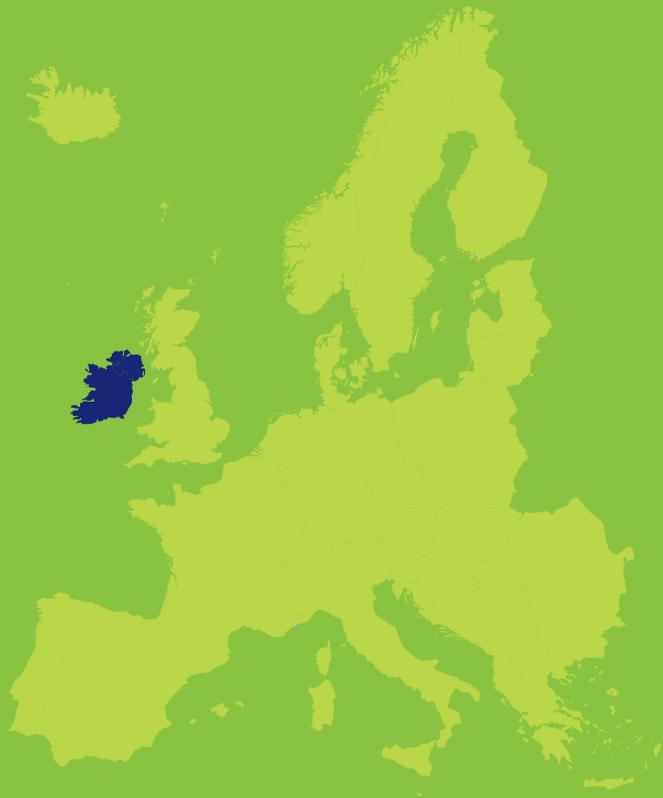
I came to Dublin and found about the school, Dorset College of English. It is a very good school and the teacher and staff are very helpful. I will recommend anyone who wants to study English, Go to Dorset College.



Ms. Larisa Vasilyeva from Russia

Dublin is the perfect city if you are looking for new experiences, great culture, friendly people and a nice atmosphere to learn or improve your English language. The country is just beautiful, the Irish people are more than cordial and the Irish culture is unique. And so is Dorset College, too: friendly and professional teachers, great support and a fantastic team. I felt very comfortable in Dublin and in Dorset College. The best choice for everyone, in my opinion.





VISIT OUR WEBSITES IN YOUR LANGUAGE

English: www.coursesinenglish.ie

Spanish: www.cursos-deingles.es

German: www.kurseinenglisch.de

French: www.cours-danglais.fr

Italian: www.corsi-diinglese.it



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