

Course Information – General English

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General English (CRICOS Course Code: 111217D)				
Course Duration	50-week General English course. Each level consists of 10 study weeks.			
Course Location	Level 4, 388-390 Sussex Street, Sydney NSW 2000 Level 4, 695-699 George Street, Haymarket NSW 2000			
Course Mode of Study	20 hours face-to-face contact hours per week			
Course Fee	Enrolment Fee (non-refundable)	Material Fee (incl. study materials)		
50 weeks: A\$ 15,000.00 (or A\$ 300.00 per week)	A\$ 200.00	A\$ 10.00 per week (maximum of A\$ 300.00 per annum)		
Please note Magill College Sydney reserves the right to vary the Course Fees and Other Fees with prior notice. Please contact the College prior to enrolling to confirm the current cost and fee structure.				
Course Purpose The General English courses are intended to provide international students with the English language foundation and skills they need to function in social contexts in Australian society and to undertake further vocational courses. The programs focus on language used in everyday situations and provide a solid foundation in grammar, and the four main skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. This course is fully aligned with the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)				
Entry Requirements Students are not required to fulfill any requirements to enter the General English course. All students will be given a comprehensive Placement Test before commencing their first class in the General English course to ensure they are placed in the appropriate English class level. The Placement Test assesses all four macro key skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening. Magill College Sydney does not accept any students under 18 years of age and therefore it is a mandatory requirement that all participants wishing to enrol must be at least 18 years of age.				
Assessment Structure and Methodology The General English courses range over four levels: Elementary, Pre-Intermediate, Intermediate and Upper Intermediate. All students will be assessed and placed into their appropriate level. The General English course has formative and summative assessment tasks built into the course that are ongoing and cumulative during the program. Assessment methods will include: Short answer questions/ written tasks, presentations, demonstrations of verbal language skills that are observed by the assessor, research, reports and projects. This course is delivered in a classroom environment with formative and summative assessments. Formative assessment opportunities are provided every fortnight and students receive feedback from teachers on performance. Summative assessment is conducted in the form of mid-course test and end of course test.				
Articulation Successful completion of the General English course at Upper-Intermediate level enables direct entry into vocational courses with an English language entry requirement of IELTS 6.0 (or equivalent).				
Level	CEFR	Description	Duration	Pathway
Elementary	A2	Basic User: 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.	10 weeks	General English (Pre-Intermediate)
Pre-Intermediate	B1		10 weeks	General English (Intermediate)
Intermediate	B2	Independent User: 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 and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.	10 weeks	General English (Upper-Intermediate)
Upper-Intermediate			10 weeks	General English (Advanced) or EAP/IELTS or vocational courses
Advanced	C1	Independent User: 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.	10 weeks	Vocational courses or undergraduate programs

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