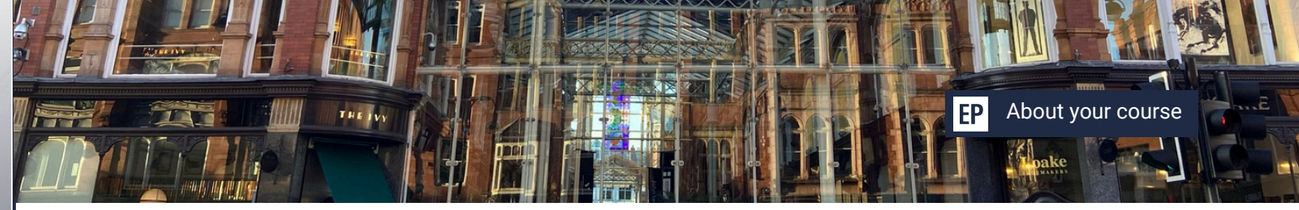


First day at school

- Induction starts at 08:45 am.
- This includes a writing test, speaking test, induction presentations about the school and academic programmes and the distribution of class timetables.
- Classes begin at: 10:45 am.
- On your first day, you are expected to bring your passport and VISA if required
- You will receive a welcome bag with complimentary goodies
- You will have a tour of the local area in the afternoon after the classes.

Your weekly class timetable

	Hours pw	What	Lesson Times
Classic Morning	15	**General English**	09:00 - 12:15
Semi-intensive Morning	22	**Classic Morning + Skill + speaking skills Tue and Wed**	09:00 - 13:30 09:00 - 14:45 (Tues & Weds)
Classis English Course +6 month paid internship	**English + Paid Hospitality Internship Programme**		
Volunteering Programme	**Retail volunteering / All other volunteering areas**		
One-to-one	**Custom topic & lesson times, based on student interest. Subject to availability**		



Extracurricular activities

- Masterclass Programme
- Weekend trips during the Summer months
- Conversation clubs
- Outdoor activities
- Pub socials
- Museum exploring

Important Information

Our classes operate on a rolling-enrolment basis, so you may join a class that has already started. It's normal to need 1–2 weeks to settle in and become familiar with the class and previously covered language.
Our courses also follow a book cycle, with new coursebooks introduced at set points throughout the year.

Skills classes

English Path offers three skills courses that let you develop your language for social, academic, and career contexts. They are an optional extra hour added to your General English lessons, included in Semi-Intensive, and are one of the best ways to get more from your time with EP.
At A1-B1, everyone taking the extra Skills hour joins Communication Workshop, practical speaking, everyday vocabulary, and the confidence to manage daily life.
At B1+ to C1, you choose your direction: Academic Skills covers English for Academic Purposes, critical thinking and exam preparation, including IELTS, for students heading to university. Career Skills covers business English, professional communication and employability, for students building their career.
Both paths run at every EP campus, year-round.

Your skill options are based on your language level:

A1 - B1	B1+ – C1	
Communication Workshop Practical speaking, vocabulary and confidence for daily life.	**Academic Skills** Everything you need to prepare for university or academic English tests.	**Career Skills** Boost your employability and business English skills.

Teaching methodology

At English Path we build every course around five things:

- Real-world outcomes and future-ready skills: English for real life, not just the textbook.
- Adaptive teaching: teachers respond to what you and your class need.
- Iterative learning: you produce, get feedback, and refine, every week.
- Purposeful use of technology: digital coursebooks and presentation materials support your learning.
- Study clinics: free one-to-one support, help booking Cambridge and IELTS exams, and regular masterclasses.

All EP teachers are trained in this approach from day one, for a consistent experience across every EP location.

Take a look at our graduation ceremony

School material

Books: Empower (Cambridge), Language Hub (Macmillan), Speak Out (MacMillan), Ready for IELTS (Macmillan), Mindset for IELTS (Cambridge)

Additional material used: Audio, digital presentation material, authentic materials.

Students

Maximum number of students per class: 15
Minimum age of students: 16
Average age of students: 26

End of course certificate: you will receive a course certificate at the end of your course.



When you arrive in Leeds

Arriving at the airport in a foreign country can be overwhelming. To better prepare yourself, make sure that you have read the information below about your arrival and how to get to your accommodation. If you get lost or confused upon arrival, don't be afraid to ask the airport staff for help as they will be happy to give assistance.

EP Transfers

The closest airports to EP Leeds are Leeds Bradford Airport and Manchester Airport. We request that you book your flights according to the starting date of your specific program. You must arrive on the Saturday or Sunday prior to your course start date.

If you have booked a transfer service, a driver will meet you outside the customs area and drive you to your homestay or residence. Please ensure you arrange and pay the transfer fee in advance.

Transfer service emergency contact details

If you have any flight changes, miss a connecting flight or need help meeting the transfer service, you should call emergency number. Please be prepared to tell them your name, school name (English Path) and location. Students should only accept a transfer from a greeter with the official English Path signage.

Transfer service emergency number:

+447494002815

Independent transfers

Bus: £3 one way
Taxi: £20-30

Living costs

(Sample prices for items in this city)

Bottle of water:	£1
Coffee:	£3
Can of coke:	£1.20
Meal out for two:	£20-50
Takeaway pizza:	£6-15
Sandwich:	£2.50-4
Local bus ticket:	£3 one way
Weekly bus ticket:	£13-26 (depends on age)
Cinema ticket:	£7-12
Pint of beer:	£3-6

Local Customs

All people treat one another with dignity and respect. British people are very empathetic, often consider the feelings of others, and are willing to listen to those with different views and opinions. Women in the UK are equal to men and should always be treated fairly.

British people sometimes talk to strangers in public areas. This is a great way to practice English, but caution should be taken. You should not give out your address and telephone number or accept inappropriate invitations.

"Please" and "thank you" are very important words! Always use them if you ask someone to do something for you, or if they help you or give you information.

The UK is a culturally diverse nation where people of all ethnic backgrounds are treated equally. All individuals should challenge any prejudice they witness (prejudice is the negative opinion or feelings towards something or someone without reason).

People in the UK leave a tip for good service in restaurants, hair salons and other places. The tip rate at most restaurants is about 10–15% of the bill and is sometimes included. Fast food is not tipped unless
it is delivered. Porters in stations, airports and hotels should be tipped approximately £2 per bag. Taxi drivers are generally given a 15% tip.

No one is above the law, which is put in place to protect everyone. Students should be aware of their legal rights and responsibilities. All individuals hold freedom of choice (within the law).

Health and safety

Medical insurance: If you are studying in the UK for less than 6 months, you should take out private health insurance before coming to the UK.

Students are advised to register with a GP during their stay in the UK in order to be able to access prompt healthcare. You can find your nearest GP here:
https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-gp

If you need to see a doctor immediately, you may go to a walk-in centre. You can find your nearest walk-in centre here: clch.nhs.uk/services/walk-in-centres

If you get sick: If you get sick while in the UK you should visit a GP. If you have a minor illness, you can ask staff at a local pharmacist for advice. Remember to bring any relevant insurance or medical documentation with you.

Protecting your belongings: We strongly recommend you take out insurance for your personal belongings, especially cameras, music players, mobile phones and laptops. Personal items cannot be covered by English Path homestay or residence insurance.

Prescription medication: Remember to bring enough of your prescribed medication with you as UK pharmacists will not dispense a foreign prescription. International customs agents may ask you questions about your medication upon your departure or arrival, so be sure to pack it carefully. Bring any important medical records (blood type, prescriptions, x-rays) that might be useful for medical care abroad as well as contact information for your health care providers at home.

Staying safe at school: If you or another student has an accident or needs urgent medical attention, please come to the Student Services office where the First Aider is located.

Fire safety: If you discover a fire, press the fire alarm button on the nearest alarm. Leave the building immediately via the fire exit. If you hear the fire alarm, leave the building immediately. Do not run, use the lift or stop to collect your belongings. EP staff will guide you to the fire exit. Go to the assembly point. Follow any instructions given by a member of EP staff and do not go back into the building until you are told to do so by EP staff.

Personal safety and looking after valuables: Leeds is generally a safe place but as with a lot of big cities, you should always be alert. Some tips are: Be alert when you are walking alone at night. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Do not leave your belongings unattended. In the UK, you do not need to always carry your identification card or passport with you. You can keep it at home and carry a picture of your ID on your phone or a photocopy in your bag.

Medical costs

Medical costs in the UK vary depending on where you are from, and the treatment needed. We recommend that you check your cover on the NHS website or at https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/ visiting-or-moving-to-england/

Laws

Smoking is banned in all public buildings in Britain including bars, restaurants, shops, stations, cinemas, and all public transport. You can smoke on the street. No one under the age of 18 in the UK may buy or consume tobacco or alcohol, including beer and wine. If you are under 18, it's against the law for someone to sell you alcohol, to buy or try to buy alcohol, and for an adult to try to buy alcohol for you.

For drivers, you must drive on the left hand side, observe all speed limits and signs, give way to emergency vehicles, obey all directions given by police, stop at red traffic lights, and must wear a seatbelt.

Driving under the influence of alcohol is a very serious crime and police make regular random checks.

You will need international ID to enter bars, clubs or pubs (e.g. Passport, ID card, driving license).

Buying, selling and using drugs is illegal.

Student code of conduct

You must attend all classes. If you do not attend your classes your representative will be informed. If you do not then improve your attendance you may not be able to continue your course. 85% attendance is needed to be able to receive a certificate of completion.

Be on time for all your lessons.

Always tell English Path if you are going to be absent from school for any reason and tell your host family if you are going away overnight.

If you commit a criminal offence or have to be severely disciplined you will be sent home. We will also inform the immigration authorities.

Be respectful, polite and open to different cultures.

Places of worship

- **Baptist**

Blenheim Baptist Church Blackman Lane, Leeds, LS2 9ER (Include prayer room on ground floor)

- **Buddhist**

Leeds Buddhist centre 4 Grosvenor Park Gardens, Cliff Lane, Leeds, LS6 2PL

- **Church of England**

St George's CoE Great George Street, Leeds, LS1 3BR Hindu Leeds Hindu Mandir 36 Alexandra Road, Burley, Leeds, LS6 1RF

- **Jewish**

Etz Chaim Synagogue
411 Harrogate Road, Moor Allerton,
Leeds, LS17 7BY

- **Methodist**

Roscoe Methodist Church
132 Chapeltown Road,
Leeds, LS7 4EE

- **Muslim**

Leeds Grand Mosque
9 Woodsley Road, Leeds,
LS6 1SN

- **Roman Catholic**

Leeds Cathedral
Great George Street,
Leeds, LS2 8BE

Emergency services

Call 999 in case of fire, a medical emergency or if you need the police.

Further education advice

- **IELTS - English Path**

The IELTS Preparation course is for students who want to take the IELTS Academic Exam. This course is designed to prepare students at Intermediate levels and above for the IELTS Exam. It aims to develop your English skills and improve your exam technique.

- **Cambridge Exam preparation**

The Cambridge English exams are offered at the B2 First and C1 Advanced levels. They are internationally recognised qualifications which demonstrates your level of English to function at a high level in almost every English-speaking context, both professionally and academically.

- **Further study in the UK**

If you are looking to attend university or study in the UK, you can ask the Student Services or Academic Team for advice. We are here to provide advice and options on further study or higher education. Our partner school GBS also offers a range of further and higher education courses.