



English  
Path



# Student Handbook

2025-26

Dubai





Welcome to  
English Path.

This guide will help  
you make the most  
of your experience  
at EP Dubai.

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# 5 Reasons to choose this city

## About Dubai

Dubai, a mesmerising city in the heart of the Arabian Desert. This modern marvel is renowned for its stunning architecture, extravagant lifestyle, and vibrant cultural scene. As the largest city in the United Arab Emirates, Dubai offers a unique blend of tradition and innovation, where ancient customs intertwine seamlessly with futuristic skyscrapers. Dubai is a city that boasts world-class shopping, exhilarating entertainment, and a diverse melting pot of cultures. From its breathtaking landmarks to its warm hospitality, Dubai promises an experience like no other.



### Famous landmarks

- Burj Khalifa, The Dubai Fountain, Dubai Frame, Burj Al-Arab Jumeirah, Dubai Creek, Dubai Miracle Garden, Atlantis The Palm.



### City personality

- Modern and futuristic, cosmopolitan, business-friendly, energetic, youthful, dynamic, safe, clean, iconic landmarks, unique, vibrant, modern, innovative, multicultural.



### What makes this city unique?

- Skyscrapers and modern Architecture: Dubai is known for its impressive skyline dominated by iconic skyscrapers such as the Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in the world. The city has consistently pushed the boundaries of architecture and engineering, resulting in futuristic and innovative designs.



### Transport within a 15-minute walk

- Metro, tram and bus.



### Restaurants within a 15-minute walk

- Middle Eastern, American, British, Chinese, Indian, Italian, Japanese, Mexican, seafood, Thai, vegetarian, fusion cuisine.



### Alternative things to do

- Explore the world's largest flower garden with more than 50 million blooming flowers, enjoy kayaking along the historic Dubai Creek, try an Arabian desert camping trip, visit the Dubai Frame, an architectural marvel that provides stunning views, visit Dubai's Design District, which showcases contemporary art and innovative architecture.

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Unique architecture

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It's one of the world's safest destinations

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Variety of cuisines, restaurants, and leisure attractions

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Prestigious universities nearby

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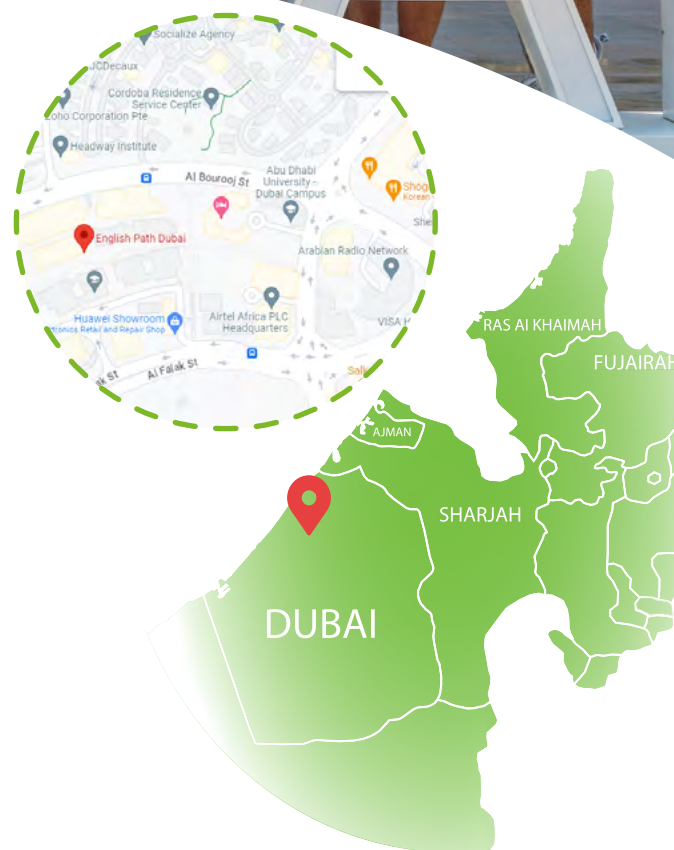
Cultural diversity: 85% of Dubai's population are expats





## Why choose to study in our EP Dubai School?

- Located in Knowledge Park and surrounded by a **vibrant student community**.
- **Interesting & varied** course offering.
- **15 minutes** from tram, bus, and metro station.
- **On-site** library and cafe.
- **Social programme** with academic and leisure activities like desert safari trips and conversation clubs.
- **On-site** career counsellor providing job placement services as well as CV writing and interview skills workshops.
- **Experienced** customer service & academic team.



Find us on Google maps

**Knowledge Park, Block 3 – Al Safouh 2 - Dubai**  
At this address since: 2021

**Phone: +971 522 063 879**  
**Emergency phone: +971 582 578 026**

### Staff

Meet the team



- **Languages spoken by staff:** English, Tagalog, Russian, Turkish, Spanish, Portuguese, Urdu

### Services & facilities

- **Buildings:** 2
- **Floors:** 2
- **Total number of classrooms:** 10
- **School facilities:** Library, self-study area, Wi-Fi (Free), elevator, street parking, modern & spacious classrooms with smart TVs, AC.
- **Other services provided:** Social activity programme, airport transfer, medical insurance.
- **Levels of English offered:** All levels.
- **Reception:** The friendly **student services** staff can direct you to the EP offices and classrooms. A Student Services Officer and an Academic Coordinator will always be present to answer any questions you may have.

### School holidays & Dubai public holidays

The school will be closed during the holidays. Please make sure to book your course/accommodation accordingly. Public Holidays are subject to change according to government announcements.

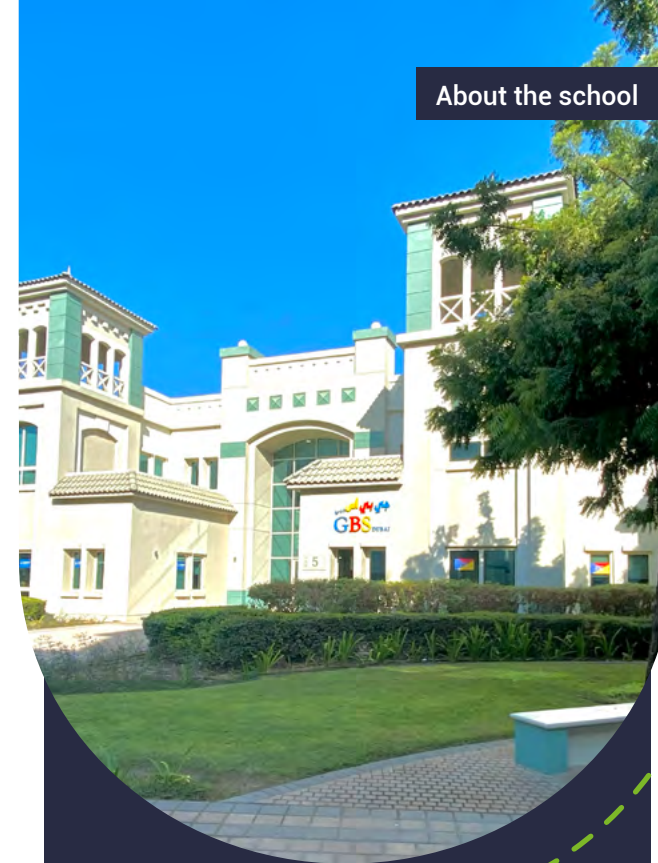
**When the school is closed on a Monday, new students start on Tuesday.**

- **2025:** 01 - 03 Dec.
- **2026:** 01 Jan, 20 Mar\*, 26 - 29 May\*, 15 Jun\*, 24 Aug\*, 01 - 03 Dec.

\* Please, note Islamic New Year, Eid AlFitr (Ramadan), Eid Al-Adha, Prophet Muhammad's Birthday, dates are determined by the Islamic lunar calendar and are likely to shift each year. We recommend doublechecking the exact dates closer to those times to ensure accurate planning for your course.

**Course days that fall on a public holiday are not reimbursed.**

The above dates are observed as holidays in the year. If you arrive on a week where the Monday is a holiday, your first day of school will be a Tuesday.



### Close to your EP school

Our centrally located school is walking distance to:

- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| <b>Food court with restaurants</b><br>2 minutes | <b>Bus station</b><br>5 minutes    |
| <b>Bank/ ATM</b><br>2 minutes                   | <b>Secret beach</b><br>24 minutes  |
| <b>Gym</b><br>10 minutes                        | <b>Barasti beach</b><br>35 minutes |
| <b>Metro station</b><br>15 minutes              |                                    |
| <b>Tram station</b><br>5 minutes                |                                    |

### Need help? Not satisfied? Have a problem?

At EP we believe that communication and an open-door policy is key to efficiently resolving any issue you might have. If you need help, are not satisfied with one of our services or you need advice, please talk to our staff at school. They will be able to help and assist quickly with any concerns you might have.



# First day at school

- Induction starts at 8:30 am.
- This includes a placement test, induction presentations about the school and academic programmes and the distribution of class timetables.
- A tour of the school.
- A welcome lunch.
- Classes begin at: 11:00 am.
- On their first day, students are expected to bring their passport and proof of medical insurance.

## Your weekly class timetable

	Hours	What	Lesson times
<b>Classic Morning</b>	15	General English, Business English	08:45 - 12:00
<b>Classic Brunch</b>	15	General English and IELTS	12:30 - 15:45
<b>Classic Light Flexi</b>	11.25	General English	15:45 - 18:15 or 18:30 - 21:00
<b>Super intensive (Morning+Brunch)</b>	30	Classic	08:45 - 15:45

## Courses

- **Classic**  
15 hours per week
- **Classic Light Flexi**  
11.25 hours per week
- **Super intensive**  
30 hours per week
- **Professional Certificates:**  
Business Management, Leadership & Digital Marketing Professional  
15 hours per week
- **One-to-One**

## Extracurricular activities

- Monthly course tutorials
- Monthly skills test
- Weekly unit test
- Masterclass Programme
- Conversation clubs
- Debate club
- C.V workshop
- Study Clinics

## Electives list sample

English Path offers a variety of elective courses that allow students to explore their interests and develop their skills. These courses are taught by experienced and qualified teachers, and they are a great way to supplement your general English studies. Electives depending on your level of English, the EP campus and current availability:

- Speaking
- Listening
- Reading
- Writing
- Pronunciation
- Idioms and Phrasal verbs
- Grammar
- Vocabulary
- Everyday English
- Debate and Public Speaking
- Business English
- English for Hospitality
- Digital Marketing
- Personal Branding
- IELTS Preparation
- Academic Skills
- Employability Skills

## Teaching methodology

**At English Path we use the communicative approach which means:**

- A focus on speaking
- Interactive lessons
- Noticing students' gaps and reacting to them
- Going beyond the textbook
- English for real life outside the classroom
- Understanding each student's individual needs

**All EP teachers are trained in this approach from their first day, so students have the same experience in all levels at all EP locations.**

**Take a look at our graduation ceremony**



## School material

**Books:** Empower (Cambridge), Speak Out Pearson, Mindset for IELTS.

**Additional material used:** Audio, Digital Presentation Material, Authentic Materials.

## Students

**Average Number of students per class:** 15

**Minimum age of students:** 16

**Average age of students\*:** 25

**Nationality mix\*:** Turkey, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Mexico, Russia, Thailand, France, China.

\*As per 2023 stats. Nationality mix and age varies. Dependent on the time of year.

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



# Study and Work

## Career services



### What we offer

- One-on-one career advising sessions with career counsellor
- CV skills guidance
- Interview preparations
- Weekly employability workshops
- Regular postings of external job vacancies
- Career events and recruitment events

### After joining GBS you have access to:

- Company visits
- Seminars by industry experts

### Students enrolled in our one-year package programme (student visa) are eligible for our Job Support Service, which includes:

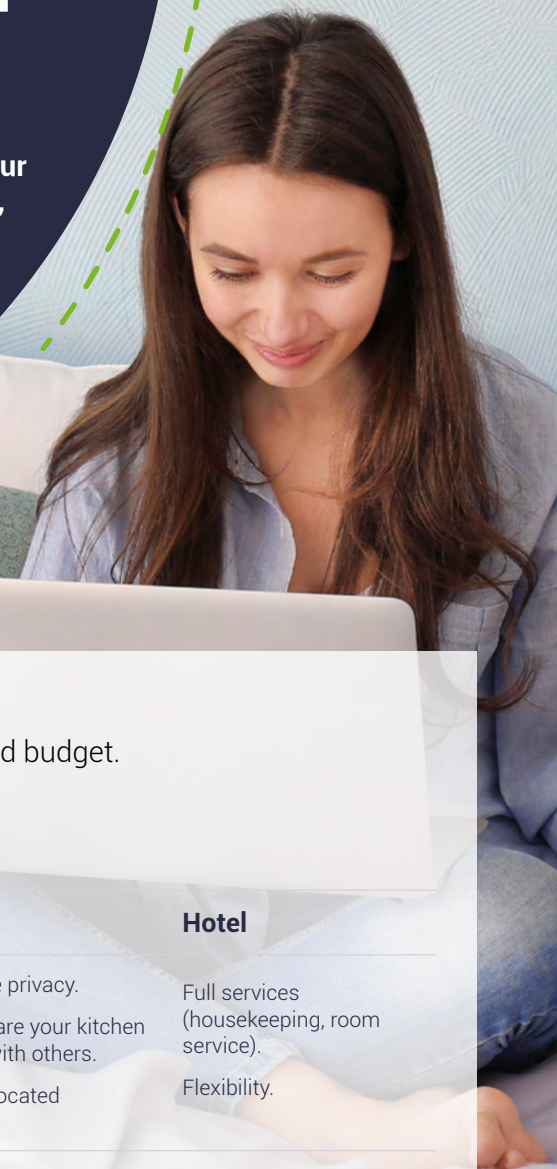
- Arrange interviews for part-time/full-time positions.
- Offering CV reviews and interview practice sessions.
- Providing job fairs and workshops.



# Accommodation

Accommodation is a vital part of your experience in a new country. Your new home is an important part of your study experience. Each school has specially chosen options to help make the most out of your stay. Student residences offer different accommodation experiences, but always meet the highest standards.

All accommodation options are based on availability. Please make sure you check with your representative for availability



### Which accommodation option should I choose?

The choice of accommodation depends on your preferences, needs, and budget. Below are some important factors you need to consider.

	Student residence	Shared apartments	Studio	Hotel
10	Convenient location, typically close to campus.	Meet other students from all over the world.	Will have more privacy.	Full services (housekeeping, room service).
12	Easy access to good facilities and nearby amenities.	Easier to socialise.	No need to share your kitchen or bathroom with others.	Flexibility.
	24h reception.	Can be more affordable.	Conveniently located near campus.	
	Noise levels might be high.	May have to deal with shared chores and responsibilities.	Might be expensive.	Little privacy; Sharing room with others.
	Might be sharing facilities with other students.	You might not be able to choose your flatmates.	Less engagements and social interactions with others.	Impersonal, limited customization.
	Might be expensive.			

### Booking student accommodation in 3 simple steps

#### Step 1

You can indicate your preferred type of accommodation (homestay, shared apartment or residence) on the application form during your application for a course. Our Student Services team will record the preferred choice of accommodation.

#### Step 2

EP will be able to secure the accommodation option once the invoice has been paid. Our team will send you the accommodation confirmation with further details on the selected option.

#### Step 3

You will need to confirm your arrival and send your flight details to our team, as soon as the flight is booked and no later than one week before the flight date. Our team will be able to book and confirm your accommodation and/ or transfers and provide more details within the confirmation document.



## ESAW Student Accommodation 18+

Experience ESAW's great location, close to Downtown Dubai and within walking distance to shops, restaurants, malls and a ten-minute taxi or bus ride to the nearest metro Station in Dubai.

- Shared and private bedrooms
- Spacious, fully equipped and furnished apartments
- Laundry facility on site
- High speed Wi-Fi
- Cleaning
- Bed linen
- 24hr security
- Free shuttle bus
- Study room/ game room/ mini cinema
- Gym
- CCTV cameras in the common areas

**Address:** Al Khail Gate phase 1 Building 11  
26th St - Al Quoz - Dubai

### About the residence

#### Accommodation types:

Premium studio (couples);  
Twin room shared bathroom  
with 4 or 5 students.

*Please consult us for up to date pricing.*

**Bedrooms:** The bedroom contains the following (per student): bed, wardrobe, pillow, bedding, study desk, chair.

**Bed size:** Single bed or double bed (depends on the room type).

**Bathroom:** Shared bathroom = 1 to 5 students maximum sharing depending on the room type. Welcome Kit = 1 Shampoo, 1 shower gel and 1 roll of toilet paper upon arrival.

**Kitchen:** The in-unit kitchen contains the following: fridge-freezer, stove, microwave, kettle. Kitchen is shared by 1 to 5 maximum students.

**Facilities:** Spacious lobby, study room, Wifi. Tv room, mini cinema, game room, gym and laundry room onsite.

**Extra cost facilities:** Dryer Machine: 50 min AED 2/ 65 min AED 3;  
Kitchen utensils: AED 99 that includes new one sauce pan, one frying pan, one bowl, one plate, knife/spoon/fork.

**Neighbourhood:** 10 min away walking distance: Nearby community centre, medical facilities, malls, supermarkets and gym.

**Visitors/guests:** Visitors are allowed to meet in the common areas.

**Noise:** Residents are required to respect all other residents and maintain a level of noise that does not disturb others. Quiet hours are 10pm - 8am.

**Smoking:** All facilities and residents' room are non-smoking. Smoking is allowed in the designated areas outdoors.

**Reception/security desk:** 24-hour reception and security desk.

**Cleaning service:** Deep cleaning service twice a week in the common area. Students are responsible for keeping their room clean. Change of bedding is not included. It is also students' responsibility to maintain cleanliness in all the areas, including the kitchen, by washing their dishes, pans and cutlery after cooking.

**Beddings/towels:** Fresh clean linens and bedding provided upon arrival. Students are responsible for washing their bedding regularly. Towels not provided.

**Minimum weeks requests:** 4 weeks minimum stay, however, daily bookings are accepted.

**Check-in/check-out:** Flexibility in check-in and check-out is possible based on the availability of rooms.

**Accommodation location:** Downtown: 30 min away by public transportation; 14 minutes by car/ taxi. On Passive Metro station (nearest metro station): 10 minutes by taxi or 24 min away by bus.  
Kite Beach: 15 min away by taxi.  
JBR Beach: 25 min away by taxi.



## KSK Homes Student Residence 18+

KSK homes are ideally situated in Dubai Academic City, only 20km from Dubai International Airport and just minutes away from all the city's major avenues and attractions. Our hotel is tailored for the new generation of urban travelers, providing a modern and convenient stay experience.

- 24-hour reception
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Free high-speed Wi-Fi
- Fitness centre
- Gaming area and PlayStation room
- Study rooms & open study area
- Reception & lobby area
- Flour lounge with shared kitchen

**Address:** Al Rowayyah First - Academic Street  
- Academic City - Dubai

### About the residence

#### Accommodation types:

Single (16+) or double bedroom (18+).

**Bedrooms:** All rooms are equipped with comfortable beds, fridge, drawer, wardrobe, multi-satellite LED TVs, work desk, safe box, bathroom amenities with walk-in shower.

**Things you need to bring:** This residence is offered on a self-catered basis. You will need to buy your own food and your toiletries.

**Kitchen:** The kitchen is equipped with a fridge, oven and hob, microwave. Tableware is also provided.

#### Extra cost facilities:

Laundry facilities (2 AED per 25-minutes of washing)  
Beauty centre  
Mini-market (open from 7am to 2am)  
Restaurant.

**Visitors/guests:** Visitors, including overnight guests, are not allowed.

**Noise:** Residents are required to respect all other residents and maintain a level of noise that does not disturb others. Quiet hours are 11 pm-7am.

**Cleaning service:** Rooms are cleaned before check in. Room cleaning is provided twice a week and weekly linen change.

**Beddings/towels:** Bedding, linen and towels are provided upon check in.

**Cleaning service:** Cleaning service once a week in bedrooms. Every day in the common area. Students are responsible for keeping their room and in general tidy and clean.

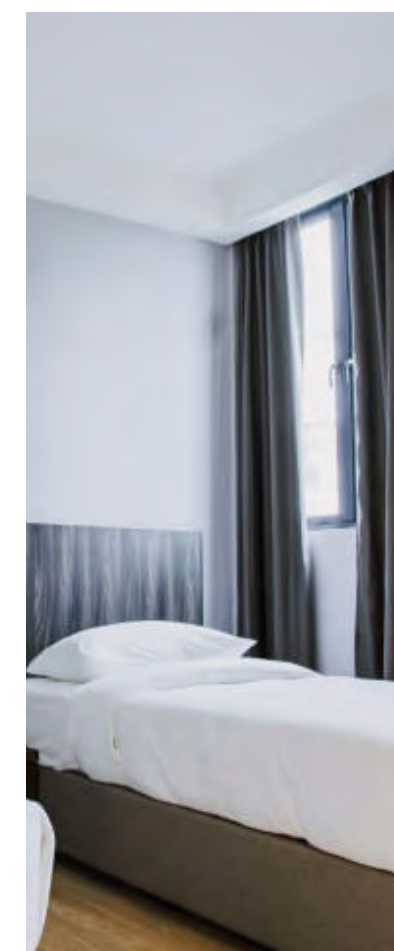
**Beddings/towels:** Fresh clean linen and bedding provided at check-in. Students responsible for cleaning after check-in. Towels not provided.

**Smoking:** No smoking allowed anywhere in the residence.

**Minimum weeks requests:** 2-week minimum stay.

**Check-in/check-out:** Check in is from 3pm / Check out is by 12pm.

**Important note:** To lock their rooms, students need to touch the fob key on the sensor once they close their room door, otherwise anyone can open it.





# School shuttle bus schedule

## Approximate timings

	KSK homes								
	07:00	07:45	09:00	10:30	12:00	13:45	16:30	17:30	20:00
From KSK homes to EP Dubai campus									

	KSK homes								
	07:45	08:35	09:55	12:00	13:00	15:20	17:30	18:30	22:05
From EP Dubai campus to KSK homes									

Please note that the shuttle bus journey is approximately **40 minutes**. To avoid delays, please arrive **5 minutes before the trip**.

\*There is no **12:00** shuttle to EP Dubai Campus or **13:00** shuttle to Ksk homes on **Friday**.

	ESAW								
	07:30	08:30	10:30	11:45	13:10*	14:15	15:15	16:45	17:10
From ESAW student accomodation to EP Dubai campus									

	ESAW student accomodation								
	08:00	09:00	12:10	13:30	16:00*	17:30	18:00	22:00	
From EP Dubai campus to ESAW student accomodation									

Please note that the shuttle bus journey is approximately **60 minutes**. To avoid delays, please arrive **5 minutes before the trip**.

\*Timing changes to **12:45 PM** on **Fridays**.

	Myriad													
	07:00	07:30	08:00	09:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	12:20	14:00	14:45	15:50	16:50	17:50	21:30
From Myriad to EP Dubai campus														

	Myriad													
	07:50	08:20	08:40	09:50	10:50	11:50	12:50	13:15	14:50	15:30	16:40	17:40	18:40	22:10
From EP Dubai campus to Myriad														



# The Myriad 18+

The Myriad Dubai, located in the heart of Dubai International Academic City, is a fully-integrated living community designed to meet the needs and desires of today's students. With a focus on safety, security, comfort, and convenience, it offers various exclusive facilities and features to enhance the student experience in Dubai.

- Dedicated blocks for men and women
- Recreational area, extra events
- Wi-Fi
- Gym on site, games arcade
- Swimming pool
- Shared kitchen
- Restaurants and cafes
- Parking
- 24hr security
- Free shuttle bus services

**Address:** The Myriad Dubai, Academic City - Dubai



## About the residence

**Accommodation types:** Single en-suite room; Studio.

**Bedrooms:** The bedroom contains the following: single bed, pillow, blanket, bed linen, chair, desk, lighting, window, closet, fridge.

**Bathroom:** Private bathroom = 2 students maximum sharing it (Double room); Private bathroom = 1 Student using it only (Single and Studio rooms).

**Kitchen:** The shared kitchen contains the following: stove, oven, microwave, kettle, toaster, tables, chairs.

**Neighbourhood:** 10 min walking distance to grocery store, Mcdonalds. Buses to Silicon Oasis.

**Visitors/guests:** Guests allowed only in the common areas except the swimming pool. Overnight guests are not allowed. Guests must leave no later than 11pm.

**Noise:** Residents are required to respect all other residents and maintain a level of noise that does not disturb others. No loud music or noise allowed after 11pm.

**Smoking:** All facilities and residents' room are non-smoking.

**Reception/security desk:** 24-hour access.

**Cleaning service:** Cleaning service once a week in bedrooms. Every day in the common area. Students are responsible for keeping their room and in general tidy and clean.

**Beddings/towels:** Fresh clean linen and bedding provided at check-in. Students responsible for cleaning after check-in. Towels not provided.

**Facilities:** Jogging tracks, outdoor calisthenics gyms, basketball court, amphitheatre, indoor cinema, game room, free laundry rooms (washers, dryers and ironing facilities), rooftop swimming pools with lounge chairs and lifeguards on duty, supermarket.

**Minimum weeks requests:** 4 weeks minimum stay. Booking from Saturday to Saturday.

**Check-in/check-out:** Check in is any time after 4pm/Check out is any time before 10am.

## Close to your accomodation

- Lulu hypermarket**  
10 minutes by bus
- Centrepont Metro Station**  
15 minutes by taxi
- Downtown Dubai (Dubai Mall)**  
20 minutes by taxi
- Kite beach**  
30 minutes by taxi
- School**  
40 minutes by bus





# Grand Bellevue Hotel 18+

Grand Belle Vue is in a district that combines media, internet, technology, knowledge, and entertainment. Guests can enjoy being in close proximity to all major airports, shopping malls, beaches, tourist attractions, and central business districts.

- WiFi & satellite channels
- Concierge service
- 24-hour room service
- Express laundry / dry clean service
- Valet parking
- On-site mini mart and coffee shop
- Express check-in / check-out
- Housekeeping turndown service
- Automated wake-up call service
- 24-hour security personnel
- Secure and covered parking
- Full access to gym and entertainment facilities
- Complete health and entertainment facilities including two separate swimming pools, spas, hot tubs, saunas and fitness rooms

**Address:** Tecom, Al-Barsha P.O. Box 502424  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates



## About the residence

### Accommodation types:

Single or twin studio.  
Single or twin in 1-bedroom apartment.

**Bedrooms:** The apartments contain the following: bed, 100% cotton oversized bath towels, air conditioning, in-room safe box, desk, hairdryer, refrigerator, washing machine, smart TV screen.

**Bathroom:** Own bathroom with separate bath.

**Kitchen:** The kitchen is fully equipped and includes cooking facilities and space to store food in the fridge/freezer and cupboards. Cutlery/crockery included.

**Additional costs:** Mandatory \$150 refundable deposit. Food and beverage-related orders as well as a \$7 breakfast buffet. There may be additional charges for spa packages, such as massage sessions.

**Neighbourhood:** A 10-minute walk from a community centre, medical facilities, malls, supermarkets and a gym.

**Visitors/guests:** Overnight guests are not allowed.

**Noise:** Residents are required to respect all other residents and maintain a level of noise that does not disturb others. Quiet hours are 10pm-8am.

**Smoking:** All facilities and residents' rooms are non-smoking.

**Reception/security desk:** 24-hour reception including security personnel.

**Cleaning service:** Rooms are cleaned before check-in. Twice a week cleaning is provided for weekly and monthly stays.

**Beddings/towels:** Bedding and linen provided on check-in.

**Minimum stay:** 1 week minimum stay. Students can book weekly. The minimum stay is 1-week.

**Check-in/check-out:** Check-in from 9am/check-out by 2pm.

### Accommodation location:

- Dubai metro: 1 km away
- Burj Khalifa & Dubai mall: 18 km away
- Wild Wadi Water Park: 5 km away
- Jumeirah beach: 5 km away
- Dubai Marina: 8 km away
- World Trade Centre: 20 km away
- Dubai airport: 30 km away
- Mall of the Emirates: 2 km away
- Ibn Batuta mall: 7 km away
- Internet and Media city: 3 km away
- EP Dubai campus: 3 km away



## Take a look at Grand Bellevue Hotel rooms and apartments

### Studio - single

- Stylishly designed with contemporary furnishings.
- Ideal for relaxation or work, with plenty of room to unwind.



### Studio - twin

- Modern twin studio with sleek, contemporary design.
- Perfect for sharing or solo stays, with generous space to relax.



### 1 Bedroom - single/twin

- Cosy bed with premium bedding for a restful stay.
- A spacious lounge for relaxing, working, or entertaining guests.



### Living room

- Ample room to relax, entertain, or work in style.
- Equipped with a flat-screen TV and high-speed Wi-Fi for streaming and browsing.





# Recommendations

## Checklist & other useful information

Here are a few important items that you should bring with you:

- Passport
- Acceptance letter
- Accommodation letter
- Proof of health/medical insurance
- A bit of cash and credit/debit cards/Apple or Google Pay
- Weather - (sunscreen, appropriate clothes, mostly sunny)
- Adaptor for electrical appliances
- Prescription medication and medical records
- Emergency information

## Before you leave your country

Here are some important things you need to know to make your arrival as smooth as possible. Use our checklist to ensure you don't forget anything and are prepared for the exciting times ahead.

## Pocket money

Recommend weekly budget: \$200. This should cover expenses, laundry, local travel and activities. You will need additional money if you want to take weekend trips. Bring \$70 with you in cash and a debit or credit card. You will need to check with your financial institution to make sure you will be able to withdraw money from a Dubai ATM. Do not bring foreign currency. It is not wise to carry around large amounts of cash.

## Clothing

Most students dress casually for classes, but you should be covered when visiting government places, nice clothes for going out and sportswear for sports and outdoor activities. The climate is mostly sunny. The typical temperature is 35–43°C in the summer and 17–30°C in the winter, although it can drop below freezing. Bring waterproof clothing if you're arriving in the autumn or winter.

## Electrical current

Standard voltage in The UAE is 230 volts; remember to bring an adaptor with you or buy one when you arrive.

## School notifications

We encourage you to join the social programme WhatsApp group when you arrive and stay active in the group during your stay. This will give you an idea of what is happening at the school and help you connect with staff and students. This is also where we will post notification of any unexpected holidays. It is important you check our social program WhatsApp group for any messages while you are attending the school. If we have some important information to share with you, we will post a message as soon as possible.

# When you arrive in Dubai

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

Students should arrive at DXB Dubai International 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 one of the following emergency numbers. 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 numbers: +971 58 257 8026

## Independent transfers

TAXI SERVICE cost: \$20–30, Journey time: 45 minutes depending on location of homestay/residence

## Living costs (sample prices for items in this city)

- Bottle of water: \$0.50
- Coffee: \$2 - 6
- Can of coke: \$2 - 3
- Meal out for two: \$16 - 80
- Takeaway pizza: \$10
- Sandwich: \$6
- Local bus ticket: \$0.90 - 2 (depends on the distance)
- Local metro and tram ticket: \$0.90 - 2 (depends on the distance)
- Cinema ticket: \$15



## Local customs

- Dubai follows Islamic customs and traditions, so visitors are expected to be respectful of Islamic practices, Dubai is relatively liberal in terms of dress code, it is recommended to dress modestly in public places, especially when visiting religious sites or government offices.
- When greeting someone, a simple handshake is common among men, while men and women may exchange nods or place their hand on their chest. Physical contact between men and women who are not close relatives is generally avoided in public.
- Public displays of affection, drinking alcohol in non-designated areas, and using offensive language are considered disrespectful and may be subject to legal consequences.
- The culture in Dubai places a high value on respecting authority, including government officials, police, and elders.
- While Dubai is a modern city with stunning architecture, it is essential to be mindful of local customs when taking photographs. Avoid taking pictures of people without their permission, especially women, and respect any "no photography" signs.
- It's important to note that Dubai is a multicultural city with a diverse population, and while these customs are generally observed, there may be variations based on individuals' backgrounds and beliefs. Respecting and understanding local customs is key to having a positive and enriching experience in Dubai.

## Health and safety

- **Medical insurance:** All students must have medical insurance for the duration of their stay in Dubai. Students who come with a student visa have medical insurance included.
- **If you get sick:** If you get sick while in Dubai you should visit a doctor. You can ask the Student Services team where the nearest doctor is.
- **Protecting your belongings:** English Path and student residences have strong emphasis on maintaining a safe and secure environment. However, like any other city, it's important to exercise common sense and follow basic safety guidelines to ensure a smooth and secure experience. We recommend taking care of your belongings. Personal items cannot be covered by English Path or residence.

- **Prescription medication:** Some medications that are commonly available over-the-counter in other countries may be considered controlled substances in Dubai. Before traveling, check the UAE's list of restricted medications to ensure that your medication is allowed into the country. If you are bringing prescription medication into Dubai, you should carry a copy of your doctor's prescription with you. The prescription should have all relevant information, including your name, the name of the medication, the dosage, and the prescribing doctor's information.
- **Staying safe at school:** If you or another student has an accident or needs urgent medical attention, please call 999. Come to the office or call the emergency phone, and we can help you.
- **Fire safety:** If you discover a fire, press the fire alarm button on the nearest alarm. Leave the building immediately via the fire exit. Make sure you tell a member of EP staff exactly what happened so they can call 999. If you hear the fire alarm, leave the building immediately. Do not run, use the emergency exit. 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:** Dubai is a remarkably safe destination for residents and tourists alike. The city boasts low crime rates and strict law enforcement, contributing to its reputation as a secure and welcoming place. Visitors can feel confident exploring the city and enjoying its attractions without major concerns about personal safety. However, like any other place, it's essential to exercise normal precautions such as keeping belongings secure and being aware of your surroundings.



## Emergency services

- 999 for police
- 998 for ambulance
- 997 for fire department

## Medical costs

Medical costs are at the discretion of your local doctor or hospital. Minimum medical costs are as follows:

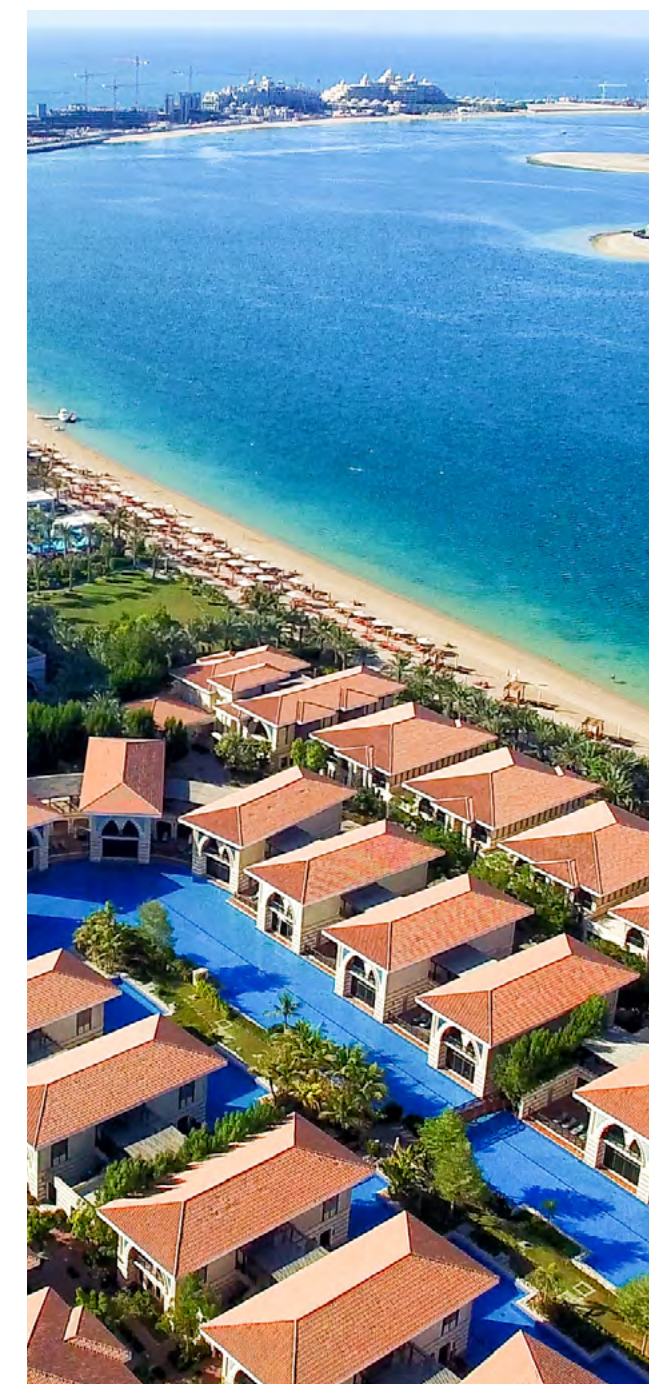
- Consultation with a doctor: \$125
- Prescriptions at a chemist: \$25 per item
- Dental treatment: \$150-\$200
- Eye test or new glasses: \$60-100

## Laws

- **Respect for Islamic customs:** Dubai is a Muslim city, so it's essential to show respect for local customs and traditions. Dress modestly in public places, especially in religious sites, and avoid public displays of affection.
- **Alcohol consumption:** Drinking alcohol is allowed in licensed venues such as hotels, bars, and restaurants. However, public intoxication and drinking alcohol in non-designated areas are strictly prohibited.
- **Drugs and medications:** Possession, use, and trafficking of illegal drugs are severe offenses in Dubai, carrying heavy penalties, including imprisonment and even the death penalty. Additionally, some prescribed medications in other countries may be considered controlled substances in Dubai, so check with the UAE embassy for the latest regulations before bringing any medications.
- **Photography restrictions:** Avoid taking photos of government buildings, military installations, and certain public areas like airports, as this could be perceived as a breach of security and lead to legal issues.
- **Public behavior:** Dubai is a safe city, but any disruptive or offensive behavior in public places can lead to fines or even imprisonment. Maintain a respectful and courteous demeanor while in public.
- **Respect during Ramadan:** During the holy month of Ramadan, Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset. It's essential to be considerate and avoid eating, drinking, or smoking in public during this time.
- **Homosexuality and LGBT rights:** Homosexuality is considered illegal in Dubai, and public displays of affection between same-sex couples are strictly prohibited.

## 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 improve your attendance and do not inform us why you are absent, your VISA may be cancelled and you will have to return home. 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 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.







# Dubai airport transport

## DXB Dubai international airport

Mode	Line or number	Cost	Duration (to the centre)
Underground	Metro Red	\$0.90 - \$2.10	15 - 60 minutes

- If you choose to book an airport transfer, please send us your flight details at least 4 weeks in advance to ensure we can arrange the service for you.
- A driver will meet you after you come through the customs area and drive you to your accommodation.

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