Galway Cultural Institute
International House
Galway

GALWAY CULTURAL INSTITUTE
at Galway Business School

Price List 2027

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES

Study English in Galway, on Ireland's Atlantic Coast

Galway, Ireland

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ADULT PROGRAMMES

Adult English Language Programmes

Flexible courses for every level, with a start date every Monday (except bank holidays*). **Prices valid until 31 October 2027.**

General English

COURSE	CODE	1–11 WEEKS	12–24 WEEKS
General English 20 MOST POPULAR 20 lessons · international classes · morning group tuition	G20	€290	€270
General English 26 NEW 26 lessons · international classes · morning + afternoon group tuition	G26	€360	€345
General English 20 AFTERNOON 20 lessons · international classes · afternoon group tuition (Mon – Thu 13.30 – 17.00, Fri 13.30 -15.30)	G20PM	€220	€200

Study & Work Programme

PROGRAMME	CODE	START	PRICE
SAY General English MORNING 25 weeks tuition / 20 lessons morning + 8 weeks holidays	SAY20	Every Monday*	€4,200
SAY General English AFTERNOON 25 weeks tuition / 20 lessons afternoon + 8 weeks holidays (Mon – Thu 13.30 – 17.00, Fri 13.30 -15.30)	SAY20PM	Every Monday*	€3,550
SAY General English + Business/ICT Skills 20 lessons group tuition + 1 GBS module (Learn to Learn or Business Communications / Computer Applications or Quantitative Methods) · 25 weeks + 8 weeks holidays	SAY BUSS	11, 18, 25 January 6, 13, 20 September	€4,750

Specialised English Courses

COURSE	CODE	STARTING DATES	PER WEEK
English for 30+ 20 lessons General English mini group, max 8 · min A1	E30+	26 Apr to 10 Sep	€370
English for 30+ Executive NEW 20 lessons General English mini group, max 8 + 10 lessons one-to-one · min A1	EX30+	26 Apr to 10 Sep	€895
Combination Course 26 20 lessons General English + 6 lessons one-to-one	CC26	Every Monday*	€650
Combination Course 30 - English Accelerator 20 lessons GE + 10 lessons one-to-one Group classes for fluency + one-to-one hours for professional English, interview preparation, or confidence to speak up.	CC30	Every Monday*	€825

One-to-One Tuition

INDIVIDUAL LESSONS	PER LESSON	4 LESSONS	6 LESSONS	8 LESSONS	10 LESSONS	20 LESSONS
Tailored to your needs min. 2 lessons	€75	€280	€405	€540	€675	€1,250

One-to-one lessons can focus on any specialism such as business English, professional English, interview preparation, communication skills, public speaking skills, presentations and more.

EXAMS & PREPARATION

International Exam Preparation & Exams

Authorised Cambridge Testing Centre. **Prices valid until 31 October 2027.**

UNIVERSITY of CAMBRIDGE ESOL Examinations
Authorised Centre

Cambridge Courses

COURSE	WKS	LESSONS	CODE	START DATES	EXAM DATES	PRICE
C1 Advanced (CAE) MOST POPULAR	4	34	EP34	05 Jul	30 Jul (Fri)	€1,700
				03 Aug (Tue)	27 Aug (Fri)	
	6	20	EP20	26 Apr	05 Jun (Sat)	€1,800
				01 Nov	11 Dec (Sat)	
	Additional C1 Preliminary Exam Date*				06 Mar (Sat)	€205
B2 First (FCE) MOST POPULAR	4	34	EP34	05 Jul	29 Jul (Thu)	€1,700
	4	20	EP20	19 Apr	15 May (Sat)	€1,200
				15 Nov	11 Dec (Sat)	
B1 Preliminary (PET)	6	20	EP20	25 Jan	06 Mar (Sat)	€1,800
				26 Oct (Tue)	02 Dec (Thu)	
	Additional B1 Preliminary Exam Date*				12 June (Sat)	€160

IELTS Academic

COURSE	WKS	LESSONS	CODE	START DATES	EXAM DATES	PRICE
IELTS Academic MORNINGS	4	20	EP20	22 Feb	20 Mar (Sat)	€1,200
				13 Sept	23 Oct (Sat)	
IELTS Academic AFTERNOON	4	20	EP20PM	26 Apr	22 May (Sat)	€900
				26 Jul	21 Aug (Sat)	

Examination & Materials Fees

ITEM	PRICE
Cambridge B1 Preliminary (PET)	€160
Cambridge B2 First (FCE) / C1 Advanced (CAE)	€205
IELTS Academic	€250
Exam books — Cambridge / IELTS preparation course	€75
Materials fee — for students who already have the exam books	€25
External exam registration / late exam registration	€60

*Subject to minimum numbers. Students are advised to confirm exam dates before booking return flights. Speaking exam dates are confirmed approximately three weeks in advance.

TEACHERS · GROUPS · ACADEMIC

Erasmus+, Teacher Training & Tailored Programmes

For education staff, academic pathways and closed groups. **Prices valid until 31 October 2027.**

Erasmus+ Staff Mobility & Teacher Training · OID E10323567

COURSE	CODE	START DATES	PER WEEK
CLIL for Primary Teachers	CL	12 Jul 18 Oct	€475
CLIL for Secondary Teachers	CL	12 Apr 19 Jul	€475
English Language & Irish Culture NEW	CULT	15 Feb 16 Aug	€475
Supporting Multilingual Learners in Diverse Classrooms NEW (Primary & Secondary)	MULTI	15 Feb 19 Jul	€475
AI for Smarter Teaching NEW (Primary & Secondary)	AI	21 Jun 18 Oct	€475
English for Higher Education Professionals MOST POPULAR	HE	21 Jun 23 Aug	€475

All Erasmus+ courses are 20 lessons + a daily social activity programme, minimum level B1+.
Included: welcome pack, tuition, materials, MLS e-learning resources, Student Portal, end-of-course certificate and post-departure access to MLS Moodle. An additional 6 or 10 lessons per week can be added to meet Erasmus+ National Agency funding requirements.

Academic English Programmes

COURSE	CODE	DURATION	START DATES	PRICE
Online Pre-sessional English 20 lessons group tuition · min B2+	PRE	3 weeks	30 Aug	€475
Certificate in English for Entry to Higher Education NEW 20 lessons GE + IELTS preparation · min B1+	HECERT	25 weeks	Jan–Mar (any Monday)	€4,750
General English + Skills for Academic Success NEW 20 lessons GE + 6 lessons IELTS & academic writing · min B1+	ACADSK	1 to 12 weeks	Jun–Aug (any Monday)	€325/wk
Gap Year NEW 20 lessons GE + GBS Business Modules to the value of 30 ECTS · min B1+ GE Duration: 12 weeks (09.00-12.30, Mon-Fri) GBS Modules Duration: 18 weeks (13.00 – 17.30)	GAP	1 semester	11, 18, 25 January & 6, 13, 20 September	€3,500
		2 semesters		€6,000

Tailored Programmes

PROGRAMME	CODE	DURATION	START DATES	PRICE
50+ Programme MOST POPULAR 20 lessons + tailored social programme Mixed levels A2–B2 1-week option available on request, subject to availability – conditions apply	50+	2 weeks	10 May 14 Jun 09 Aug 06 Sep	€960
Short Stay Group Programme 20 / 30 lessons closed group tuition	SSWP	1 to 2 weeks	October to April	Individual quotation

LIVING IN GALWAY

Accommodation & Transfers

Stay with a welcoming Irish host family or in student residence conveniently located. **Prices valid until 31 October 2027.**

Host Family Accommodation

ROOM	TYPE	PER WEEK
Single room	Half-board Mon–Fri, Full-board weekends	**€360**
Supplements Limited, not guaranteed	Special Diet	**+€65**
	En-suite (private bathroom)	**+€65**
	Close to school	**+€65**
Extra night	—	**€60/night**

Host family accommodation is half-board Monday to Friday and full-board at weekends; average commute is 20–30 minutes by public transport. En-suite and close-to-school options are limited and cannot be guaranteed. Accommodation prices are subject to change, particularly in high season.

Residential Accommodation · 18+ only

ROOM	TYPE	PER WEEK
Single room residence	Self-catering	**€330**
Twin room residence	Self-catering	**€270**
Supplements Limited, not guaranteed	En-suite (private bathroom)	**+€50**
	Close to school	**+€50**
Westwood Residence — single en-suite Available only between 13 Jun – 23 Aug	Self-catering	**€525**

Taxi transfer from Galway Coach Station to residences is compulsory and charged separately when booking this type of accommodation. Residential accommodation prices subject to change particular during high season. En-suite and close-to-school options are limited and cannot be guaranteed.
A refundable deposit (€150 for 2–11 weeks, €300 for 12+ weeks) is required before arrival for residences, and a taxi transfer from Galway Coach Station is compulsory when booking residential accommodation. Residences run Saturday to Saturday.

Transfers

SERVICE	PRICE
Coach service (one way bus ticket)	**€45**
Coach service (return bus ticket)	**€90**
Taxi Transfer - Galway Coach Station to accommodation	**€35**
Taxi Transfer - Dublin / Cork Airport (one way)	**€475**
Taxi Transfer - Shannon / Knock Airport (one way)	**€300**
Meet & Greet Service (obligatory for under 18s)	**€230**

The **Meet & Greet service** helps students travel safely from the airport to their accommodation in Galway.
A GCI representative meets the student in the airport's Arrivals Hall and accompanies them to the airport bus. When the student reaches Galway Coach Station, a designated taxi driver meets them and takes them to their accommodation. The service is mandatory for students under 18.

GOOD TO KNOW

Additional Charges & Key Dates

Everything else in one place. **Prices valid until 31 October 2027.**

Additional Charges

SERVICE	PRICE
Enrolment fee	**€70**
Accommodation placement fee	**€70**
Books & materials General English course, incl. GCI/GBS student portal & e-learning platform access	**€75**
PEL Protection of Enrolled Learners Applied to English Language 25 weeks + Higher Education programmes	**€75**
Medical insurance Including admin fee	**€160**
Materials fee For students who already have the GE books	**€25**
Changes to booking administration fee Applies to changes of dates, accommodation and courses, and to services added after the initial booking (special diet, additional or reduced nights, airport transfer, health insurance, bus tickets, exam fees, exam books, meet & greet). Not applied to booking upgrades — i.e. adding a significantly longer course — or to the first transfer added after the initial booking.	**€35**

Important Dates 2027

	DATES
Public Holidays 2027	Friday 1 January · Monday 1 February · Wednesday 17 March · Monday 29 March · Monday 3 May · Monday 7 June · Monday 2 August · Monday 25 October Monday 3 January 2028
Christmas Holidays 2027	Monday 20 December 2027 – Friday 31 December 2027. Classes recommence Tuesday 4 January 2028.

Accreditations & Member Organisations

- **Bildungsurlaub**
  Recognised for German educational leave
- **Cambridge Assessment English**
  Authorised Exam Centre
- **Eaquals**
  Excellence in Language Education
- **Education in Ireland**
  World-class standards, warmest of welcomes
- **ELE Ireland**
  Student Protection Scheme
- **ELE Ireland Escrow Learner Protection**
  PEL Protection of Enrolled Learners
- **Erasmus+**
  OID E10323567
- **IALC**
  International Association of Language Centres
- **International House**
  Member of the IH World Organisation
- **QQI**
  Quality and Qualifications Ireland

BEFORE YOU BOOK

Key Terms & Conditions

A summary of the main conditions of booking. This page is a **guide** only; the full terms and conditions apply to every booking and are available on our website.

● Booking & Payment

Deposit A non-refundable deposit of €150 confirms your place.

Balance. Full settlement is due 28 days before arrival. Late bookings are payable on receipt of invoice.

Payment. TransferMate is our preferred method. Credit card payments incur an additional 2.5% charge.

Visa students. Fees must be paid through the TransferMate Escrow Account only.

Accommodation details are issued approximately two weeks before arrival, once fees are received in full.

● Cancellations & Refunds

More than 14 days before start: full refund, less the €150 deposit.

7–14 days: 50% of course fees refunded.

Less than 7 days: 30% of course fees refunded.

Once the course has begun, fees are not refunded — including late arrival, early departure or days missed. Accommodation fees are non-refundable.

Changes to a booking incur a €35 administration fee each time.

● First Day

On your first day, arrive at the school at 8am. You will have orientation, an oral interview and then be placed in your class.

● Your Course

Lessons are 45 minutes. Maximum class size is 15.

Levels A1–C1/C2. Some courses require a minimum level.

Placement test is obligatory and must be taken at least two weeks before your start date.

Attendance is monitored — a minimum of 85% is required. An English-only policy applies throughout the school.

Minimum age 17 in low season. Under-18s require a signed parental guarantee and the Meet & Greet service.

● Protection of Enrolled Learners

GCI is a member of the ELE Ireland Student Protection Scheme, which has ILEP approval. In the unlikely event that you cannot complete your programme with us, you may complete your course at another ACELS-recognised school at no additional cost. The scheme applies to courses of more than 12 weeks.

● Accommodation

Booked weekly (7 nights); minimum stay one week.

Host family half-board Monday to Friday, full board at weekends.

Residences: self-catering, 18+, Saturday to Saturday. A refundable security deposit applies and the taxi transfer from Galway Coach Station is compulsory.

Special requests (diet, allergies, location) must be made at the time of booking, incur a supplement and cannot be guaranteed.

● Insurance & Visas

Insurance is obligatory for non-EEA students and must be issued by a body regulated by the Irish authorities.

Visa applications: please allow a minimum of six weeks. If a visa is refused, fees are refunded except the deposit (€150 English language / €300 higher education) — unless false or inaccurate information was submitted.

Long-stay non-EEA students are required to sit an international examination as part of their visa conditions.

● Arrival & Transfers

Flight details should be sent at the time of booking, or at least 28 days before your course begins, so transfers can be arranged.

Meet & Greet is obligatory for all under-18s, as required by Irish law. It includes the bus ticket to Galway and the taxi to your accommodation.

Getting here. Galway is served by Dublin, Shannon, Knock and Cork airports. We can book your coach or private taxi transfer.

● Exams, Books & Materials

Books and materials are charged separately. A further charge applies for a new book when you change level.

Exam fees and exam books are charged separately, and late registration fees apply.

Exam dates are often on a Saturday. They are correct at the time of printing but may change — please confirm before booking return flights.

● Your Timetable

Most courses start any Monday. Exam Preparation, English for 30+, 50+, Teacher Training, SAY Business, Academic English and Group Programmes have fixed start dates.

Classes begin at 09.00 (AM) and 13.30 (PM). Your timetable is allocated on your first day and may change at the discretion of management.

Public holidays. Classes missed on public holidays are not made up, except for one-to-one components.

● Health & Conduct

Health. Students should be in a fit state of health for the course and accommodation booked. Any important health or psychological condition must be disclosed before enrolling so that we can approve the booking and make reasonable arrangements.

Conduct. Respect for people, property, other nationalities and customs is expected at all times.

Smoking. GCI and GBS operate a no-smoking policy.

Changes of course. Students may not move from group to private tuition, take a less intensive course, or shorten a course.

Read the full Terms & Conditions

This page summarises the main points only. The complete terms and conditions, covering booking and payment, cancellations and refunds, learner protection, accommodation, insurance, visas, transfers and general conditions are published in full at:

www.gci.ie/terms-and-conditions

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