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# Academic Year Programme



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## Overview

Our Academic Year Programmes can be structured to suit each individual's requirements and a suitable study path is designed for the student based on the starting level, academic needs and learning objectives.

Flexibility is a key part of the programme allowing students to combine different modules and courses within their Academic Year Programme.

All our Academic Year students are monitored regularly throughout their programme by their academic mentor, their class teachers and the Director of Studies.



## At a glance

**Tuition:** Choice of 20 or 26-hour programmes or a combination of both

**Duration:** From 25 to 35 weeks

**Age:** 17+

**Starts:** Every Monday

**Levels:** \*Beginners to Advanced  
(\*Fixed dates for Beginners)

Students of an appropriate language level may incorporate any of our afternoon options into their study programme. Compatible with preparation for TOEIC, IELTS, Cambridge Examinations.

\*Academic Year Programmes may be subject to change as a result of updates to the current Immigration Guidelines and Procedures.

\*Immigration regulations require all non-EU students to undertake a recognised examination at the end of an Academic Year Programme. Recognised Examinations accepted by Immigration include IELTS, Cambridge Examinations and the Test of Interactive English (TIE).

## Sample Study Path

Students joining our Academic Year Programme can choose different Intensive (20 hours) or Intensive Plus (26 hours) options within their study path.

Students together with their academic mentor will select the courses that will best help them to achieve their academic goals.

Intensive Course (20 Hours)

Cambridge Examination Course (20 hours)

IELTS Examination Course (20 hours)

Intensive Plus Speaking Skills (26 hours)

Intensive Plus Business (26 hours)

Intensive Plus EAP (26 hours)

Intensive Plus IELTS Preparation (26 hours)

### Academic Year Programme 1:

#### Course Length

35 weeks X 20 hours



#### Starting Level

Pre-Intermediate  
A2



#### Course Combinations

Intensive Course –  
23 weeks

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FCE Preparation Course  
– 12 weeks



#### Target

FCE Exam

### Academic Year Programme 2:

#### Course Length

25 weeks x 26 hours



#### Starting Level

Intermediate B1



#### Course Combinations

Intensive Plus Speaking  
Skills – 13 weeks

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Intensive Plus IELTS –  
6 weeks

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Intensive Plus EAP –  
6 weeks



#### Target

Pre-Advanced  
IELTS 6

### Academic Year Programme 3:

#### Course Length

30 weeks =  
15 weeks x 26 hours  
15 weeks x 20 hours



#### Starting Level

Intermediate B1



#### Course Combinations

Intensive Plus Speaking –  
9 weeks

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IELTS Examination  
Preparation – 15 weeks

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Intensive Plus Business –  
6 weeks



#### Target

IELTS 6.5

## Services For Long-Term Students

### Academic Mentoring:

Every Academic Year student is assigned a personal mentor for the duration of their programme. The mentor, a senior member of the teaching staff, provides academic guidance, advice and support in order to help students to make the most of their studies.

The personal mentor works together with students to help them in the following areas:

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study planning

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monitoring progress

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course options

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afternoon module choices

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examination registration & preparation

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study skills

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career and further study opportunities

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### How the Mentoring Programme operates

1. The tutor meets the students in their first week of study to design a study plan and set academic goals.
2. Students have regular scheduled meetings throughout their course with their mentor to review and assess their course objectives.
3. A record is kept of each student's progress, and class teachers provide the mentors with an academic report on each student in advance of the meetings.
4. Students receive regular progress reports and a final report and certificate at the end of their programme.
5. The mentors, teachers and the Director of Studies are always available to assist or consult with students outside of the scheduled meetings.
6. Students can meet and consult with our Academic team to discuss their further study options.

## Unique Emerald Services:

- Academic mentoring system
- Career Guidance and Seminars
- Free Workshops
- Supervised afternoon study sessions
- Cambridge Examination Venue and Preparation Centre for Cambridge and IELTS examinations
- Access to our online services including our student magazine "Write On" and the Emerald Life App

## Seminars and Career Guidance

We run a series of informative seminars to help our Academic Year students settle into life in Ireland and make the most of their experience.

### **Seminars include:**

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Living and Working in Ireland

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CV Preparation & Interview Techniques

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Immigration Procedures & Registration

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Further Study Options

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Completing College Application Forms

We provide information and details about pathway and university foundation programmes as well as the different third level options which can be accessed by students. Our Academic team is available to assist students with the application procedures for further study.

