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English School Brochure



Hello! Welcome to ULearn

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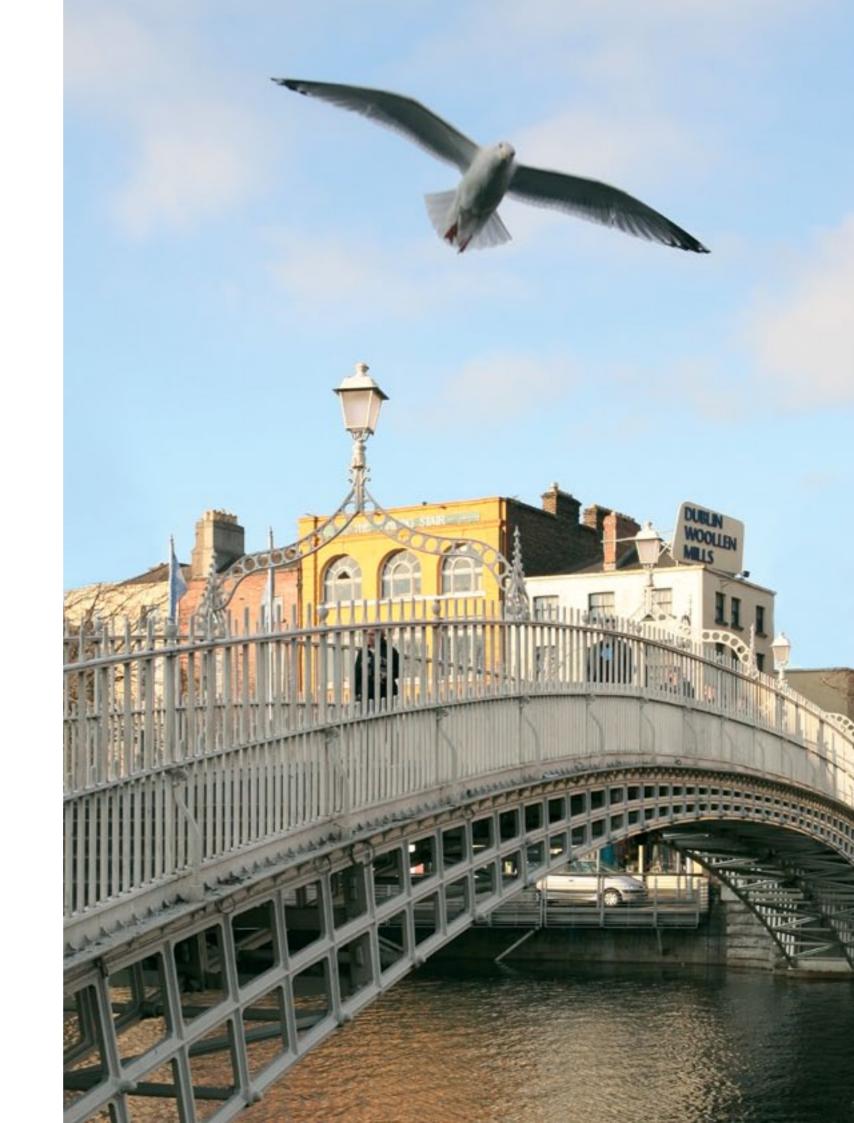
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In the Heart of **Dublin**

For more than 20 years, ULearn has been helping students improve their English. We are a family run business situated in the heart of Dublin.

ULearn students come from all over the world.
We have students from Europe, Asia, the Americas and Africa. The reason they choose ULearn is simple – our teaching methods are both effective and fun.

Students will receive close, personal attention from our staff and teachers. We provide classes for students of all levels and all ages. Our teachers are all experienced native English speakers.



ULearn Courses

ULearn students come from all over the world. We offer a range of English courses to suit students of all levels.

General English

General English courses at ULearn provide students with a fun and dynamic way of improving their communication skills through English.

Our General English courses help students to focus on the 4 main methods of communication: Reading, Writing Speaking and Listening

We provide General English classes for students of all levels – from beginner all the way to advanced – either in our standard group classes or classes tailored to the individual. Our specially designed English courses are delivered using exciting and vibrant lesson plans which allow students to practice their English in a 'real world' environment with students of other nationalities.

Our Academic Director oversees every student's entry and progress, and provides continuous assessment throughout the length of their learning path. Students will improve rapidly and consistently.







Intensive English

For students who would like to improve their English quickly, or who wish to experience as much English as possible in a short time, ULearn offers Intensive English classes.

These courses consist of 30 hours tuition per week. Students attend classes in both the morning and the afternoon.

Intensive English students can meet more people, get more practice with a wider group of peers, achieve more in their course, and have more fun!

Corporate & Business English

English is one of the most important global languages for industry, trade and commerce.

ULearn has a wealth of experience delivering a wide range of Business English courses.

ULearn Business English courses are specifically designed and tailored to meet the individual's specific requirements.

ULearn has been retained by many of the largest companies in Ireland to assist employees who need to improve their English.

We are happy at all times to provide references and testimonials from companies with whom we have worked in the past.

Junior Group Programmes

ULearn has welcomed junior student groups from all over the world. We offer younger students the opportunity to come to Ireland to improve their English in a safe and secure environment while also learning more about Ireland.

For junior groups, we can organise:

- Accommodation.
- English classes with experienced teachers.
- Sporting activities tennis, mini-golf, sailing, Irish sports.
- Cultural excursions (visits to sites of cultural and historic importance), and
- Recreational activities (cinema, bowling, souvenir shopping).



Exam Preparation Courses

External exams are an important means of assessing, measuring and recognizing your progress.

The Exam Preparation courses which we offer at ULearn are designed to prepare students in the best possible way.

By guiding students through past papers and questions, delivering excellent exam strategies and providing continuous assesment - we ensure students are well positioned to pass the exam of their choice.

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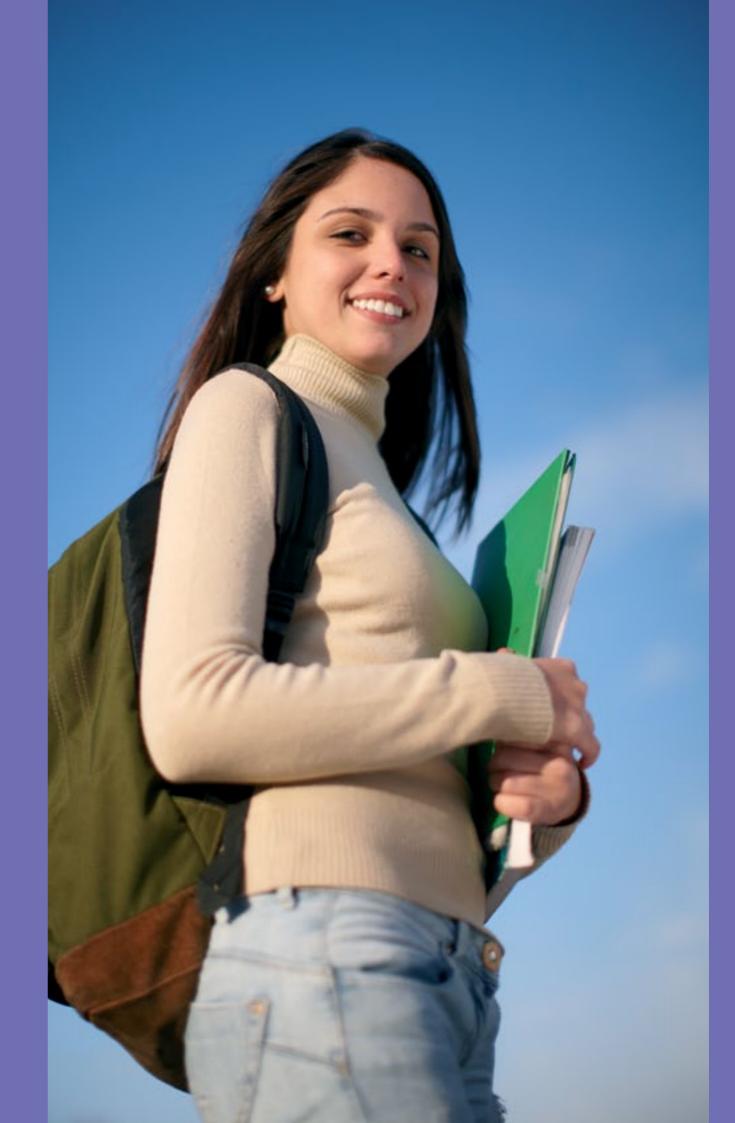
Cambridge Exams

- FCF
- CAE

IELTS

- Academic
- General Training

We are happy to advise and assist students in the choice of their exam and preparation course.



Cambridge English Exams are officially recognised and accepted by universities, employers and governments globally. They can improve a student's career and education prospects.

Cambridge English qualifications are produced by Cambridge ESOL, a department of the University of Cambridge – an institution with an 800 year reputation for excellence in education.

Preparing for the FCE will develop students' reading, writing, use of English, listening and speaking skills.



Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE)

The FCE exam is for people who need to prove they can use everyday written and spoken English at an upper-intermediate level for work or study purposes.

The FCE is set at Level B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

B2 is the level of English essential for:

- Working in an English speaking environment.
- Studying at an upper intermediate level such as foundation or pathway courses.
- Understanding the main ideas of complex pieces of writing.
- Conversing on a range of topics, expressing opinions and presenting arguments.
- Producing clear, detailed writing, expressing opinions and explaining the advantages and disadvantages of different points of view.



Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE)

The CAE exam tests students' English skills in dealing with complex academic and professional tasks.

The CAE is set at Level C1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

 $\ensuremath{\text{C1}}$ is the level of English essential for:

- Following academic courses at university level.
- Carrying out complex and challenging research.
- Communicating effectively at managerial and professional level.

The CAE offers you internationally accepted proof of your linguistic ability.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

Over 1.4 million candidates take the IELTS test each year. The exam is recognised by over 6000 institutions in over 135 countries.

These include universities (e.g. University College Dublin, Trinity College and the Institute of Technology Colleges) professional bodies (the Irish Medical Council, the Irish Management Institute) and multi-national companies.

IELTS has two versions – General and Academic.
All candidates take the same Listening and Speaking tests but different Reading and Writing tests.
ULearn can prepare students for both versions.

The General test is ideal for those who seek work experience, or would like to attend training programmes, attend secondary school or even migrate to an English speaking country.

The Academic test is for people who want to study or train in an English-speaking university or Institutions of Higher and Further Education.

Living and Accommodation

In order to make your stay at ULearn as comfortable and stress-free as possible, we offer several accommodation options.

Host Families

ULearn has a selected network of quality host families for our students.

Staying with a host family provides students with the opportunity to practice their English every day and to interact with a normal family environment. Host Family accommodation includes breakfast and dinner meals.

We want your stay with us here in Dublin to be as comfortable as possible.

Student Hostel / Residence

ULearn can provide accommodation for students in student hostel accommodation.

This accommodation consists of shared rooms (4 people).

I he hostel offers free Wi-Fi, a communal kitchen where students can prepare food a television area with TV and DVD player, and a 24 hour reception so students can arrive at any time.

The hostel provides a continental breakfast and is located only 5 minute walking from ULearn.

The hostel is perfectly located for shopping, public transport links, and entertainment (tourist attractions, cinemas, pubs, or theatre).



City Apartments

ULearn can provide students with apartment accommodation. Students can opt for an individual room (if traveling alone) or a shared room (if traveling with a friend / companion).

Our apartments are located only twenty minutes from ULearn. They are close to shops, transport links, and entertainment venues such as cinemas, pubs, or theatre. The apartments are self-catering.



General Information

ULearn also offers a range of additional services aimed at making your stay with us both safe and memorable.

Airport Transfer

ULearn can arrange for a representative to meet students upon arrival and take them to their accommodation.

This is ideal for students who do not speak English or who are not familiar with Ireland and want to arrive safely and securely at their destination.

Health Insurance

Health Insurance is a requirement for non-EU students coming to Ireland for 1 year. ULearn can organise this insurance for all students (EU and non-EU).

This medical insurance gives cover to students for any medical expenses in excess of €100. This is essential for students in case of serious accident or illness. The insurance cover can be either short-term (1-11 weeks) or long-term (12-52 weeks).



Extra Curricular

ULearn organises social and cultural activities where students can meet new people and have a great time.

Ireland is famous for it's history, heritage and landscapes. Dublin is a very historic city on the east coast of Ireland within easy reach of beautiful beaches, mountains, and scenic hinterland.

Our central location means we are very close to a wide range of historical sites, art galleries, as well as great pubs and restaurants.

Ireland has a great sporting tradition. ULearn regularly organises sports events for students.



Meet the **Team**



Neil S.J. McMahon

Managing Director

Neil has worked in the EFL industry for more than 10 years, first as a teacher in Argentina and Spain and then taking over ULearn English School. Neil graduated from University College Dublin with a degree in psychology.

He has extensive experience in the fields of online marketing and web development. Neil is a keen cyclist and also enjoys playing the guitar – though not at the same time!



Stephen Porter

Academic Director

Stephen has been an EFL teacher for more than ten years and, as ULearn's Academic Director, he provides assistance, support and guidance to ULearn students and teachers.

Stephen is also a guitar player and an active supporter of local arts and local watering holes. Steve has provided entertainment for many of ULearn's parties!



Ciaran McMahon

Communications Director

Ciaran is a History and Politics Masters graduate from UCD. He completed an M.A. in Communications at D.I.T. Aungier Street

Ciaran has worked as a communications advisor with a prominent Irish politician and some of Ireland's top private sector companies.

Ciaran is responsible for organising many of the activities in ULearn. He loves sport and is still dreaming about becoming a professional footballer!



Sally Nyan

School Secretary

Sally has a great deal of experience in the educational sector. She worked in a language school in Korea as both a teacher and school administrator.

She is orginally from Chungju, South Korea but moved to Ireland many years ago. She speaks fluent English, basic Chinese and Korean.

Sally used to own her online clothing business. This is very obvious because Sally is normally the best dressed person in ULearn!





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