

Qualifications and Levels

We are a centre for the University of Cambridge English Examinations, the London Chamber of Commerce examinations, Edexcel and City & Guilds exams. These are internationally recognised qualifications. Mainsuite examinations are held in June.

Private Study Time

As part of the course, learners will be expected to complete private study daily. This will usually be a minimum of 10 hours per week.

Course Times

These are between 9.00am and 5.00pm. Timetables will be available on arrival at college.

Term Dates - Full-Time

Autumn Term 2011

Monday 19th September – Friday 21st October 2011
Monday 31st October – Friday 9th December 2011

Half - Term

Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October 2011

Spring Term 2012

Monday 9th January – Friday 10th February 2012
Monday 20th February – Friday 23rd March 2012

Half - Term

Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2012

Summer Term 2012

Monday 16th April – Friday 1st June 2012
Monday 11th June – Monday 25th June 2012

Half - Term

Monday 4th June – Friday 8th June 2012

Lessons that coincide with additional Bank Holidays, will be added to the end of the course.

Fees for 2011-12

Fees will be £4,500 for a 30 week course. This fee includes tuition, resources, exams and arranged visits.

A non-refundable administration fee of £250 is payable at application stage and will be deducted from course fees. Fees can be paid in instalments for one-year courses. The policy on course fee refunds is explained in further detail in initial letters sent to international students.

Please note: the minimum age for enrolment is 16.

Maximum Class Sizes

We understand that international students need a supportive learning environment; we therefore have a maximum class size of 18.



Courses for International Students

Contact us

If you are overseas, please contact us by telephone or email:

International Support Advisor
Milton Keynes College
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Email: InternationalStudents@mkcollege.ac.uk

Milton Keynes College has three main campuses, in the modern town of Milton Keynes, offering excellent road and rail links to London, Cambridge, Oxford and the Midlands. Each campus has its own Learning Resource Centre and the College offers excellent leisure and sports facilities. The town is famous for its modern shopping centre and its active, varied social scene.

Why Choose Milton Keynes College?

Milton Keynes College is the largest provider of further education and training in Milton Keynes and North Buckinghamshire. The College currently has approximately 2,000 full-time and 10,000 part-time learners and operates from three main campuses; Bletchley, Chaffron Way and UCMK, and a number of community venues.

Facilities include libraries, learning centres, modern computer suites, art and media studios, a gym and fitness centre, hairdressing and beauty salons, refectories, and a restaurant.

The College has strong links with local businesses, industry and educational institutions in Britain and in Europe. These links ensure that our courses are relevant to the wider world outside an academic environment.

We Offer

- English Language courses at 6 levels, leading to internationally recognised qualifications
- Full-time or part-time study options
- Bespoke programmes

We Provide

- Initial assessment
- Tutorial support
- Progress reviews
- Direct routes to Higher Education
- A quiet study area for self-study
- A friendly environment
- Dedicated staff
- A varied enrichment programme

International Students at Milton Keynes College

Milton Keynes College serves a rich, diverse, multi-cultural community and has been providing high quality education and training for international students for over 20 years. Students come from all over the world including Europe, the Far East, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. We attract students of all ages and cultural/educational backgrounds, including business people, au pairs, school leavers, those people already in or preparing for higher education, as well as visitors to this country.

Courses that Meet Your Needs

British education is amongst the best in the world and our courses are designed with the needs of international students in mind. The wide range of courses ensures that you can find something to suit you whether you want to:

- Study full or part-time
- Prepare for or start Further or Higher Education
- Gain internationally recognised qualifications
- Prepare for a career
- Meet people and make new friends

Help with Applying for a Student Visa

Following the payment of a first instalment of £1,500 (which includes a non-refundable £250 administration fee), you will be provided with the necessary documents to apply for an Extended Student Visitor Visa (ESVV), valid for 11 months study on an English Language programme, or a Student Visitor Visa (SVV), valid for 6 months study. Please note that we are not currently accepting Tier 4 visas. (See website for further details).

Student Support

We offer a friendly environment with skilled personal support from dedicated and qualified staff, who have many years experience of working with international students.

Students' Views Matter

We are committed to continuous improvement in the standards of service that we offer and we value students' comments on the quality of every course.



Full and Part-Time Courses in English for International Students

You can study on a full-time or part-time basis. All the courses place emphasis on developing the reading, writing, speaking and listening skills necessary in an English-speaking social, work or study environment. We use individual, pair, group and whole class work and a wide variety of techniques including multi-media.

Full-Time English Courses

These courses are for a minimum of 15 hours a week, for 30 weeks. This satisfies visa requirements. You may study alongside ESOL learners.

The Course Offers:

- Core General English - 4 lessons per week Sessions 2.5 hours with a 15 minute break
- Tutorial - 1-hour session per week
- Specialist English courses including IT - 4 hours per week
- 1 to 1s, as required

There are Six Levels:

Foundation (Pre-entry - E1)

- Leading to Key English Test (KET)
- For those who have only a little English or feel they have forgotten what they have learnt before

Intermediate 1 (E2)

- Leading to Preliminary English Test (PET)
- For students who have studied English for 1-2 years and have a basic knowledge of spoken and written English

Intermediate 2 (E3)

- Leading to English Test (PET)
- For those who have studied English for three years or more and can speak and write competently

Intermediate 3 (L1)

- Leading to First Certificate in English (FCE)
- For students who have studied English for 4 years or more and are familiar with the basic structural/grammatical patterns of the language

Advanced (L2)

- Leading to Certificate of Advanced English (CAE)
- For students ready to work at post First Certificate level. This course offers a high level English qualification for employment or study

Proficiency

- Leading to Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)
- This is the highest-level course. Originally developed for non-native speakers intending to teach English, this course demands near-native fluency in speech and writing

IELTS

- Academic course leading to International English Language Testing System
- For students wishing to study at a UK or overseas university
- **Please note:** the examination is taken externally as we are not an IELTS test centre

Full-Time Programmes can also include:

English for the Office

For people at either basic or intermediate level, or above, working or planning to work in an office, administration or junior management post in an English speaking environment.

Students will learn how to:

- Be effective in written and spoken business English
- Communicate in marketing and sales and social business situations
- Deal with reports and meetings

English and IT

For people who wish to use Information Technology in their studies or in a work-related context. The course provides an introduction to word-processing, spreadsheets and databases, and is suitable for students at all levels.

Part-Time English Courses

General English Daytime or Evening courses are available.

