



UNIVERSITY OF
LEICESTER



CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT





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WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER

The University of Leicester is a leading UK university committed to international excellence through the creation of world changing research and high-quality, inspirational teaching. Leicester has achieved its highest ever global ranking. Leicester is ranked 166th in the world (and 24th in the UK) in the 2020 Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings.

The University of Leicester is a global institution, being ranked in the top 50 of the world's most international universities by Times Higher Education and with 30% of our full time campus based students coming from outside the European Union. Our state of the art facilities include the award-winning David Wilson library and the new £30 million George Davies Centre, which is the largest non-residential building in the UK to meet the exacting 'Passivhaus' standard. We are investing £500 million in campus development.

We have earned our reputation as an institution at the forefront of research developments and teaching practices. In the latest Research Excellence Framework (REF), 75% of our research was judged to be internationally excellent and Leicester is ranked in the top 25 universities in the Times Higher Education REF Research Power rankings. Famous breakthroughs that have occurred at Leicester include Sir Alec Jeffrey's pioneering work in establishing genetic fingerprinting in 1984 and, more recently, the discovery of the body of King Richard III in a Leicester car park.

ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT

BESPOKE SERVICE

The International Professional Development Unit team in the Centre for International Training and Education specialises in designing, creating, and delivering Professional Development (PD) courses for professionals around the world. Staff in our unit are highly experienced in providing quality and innovative bespoke programmes, either in the UK or overseas, to meet the needs of specific clients across a range of sectors including higher education, schools, business, and government departments.

Benefiting from working closely with academic departments across the University of Leicester, we have access to the latest cutting-edge research as well as input from highly respected academics, consultants, teachers, and technicians. The unit strives to share this research and expertise with clients, in order to capacity build their staff.

In addition to its bespoke courses, the Centre for International Training and Education runs a comprehensive range of English language programmes, which are open throughout the year.

ABOUT THE CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION

The Centre for International Training and Education (CITE) was established as the English Language Teaching Unit in 1988 to provide English language preparation support for the University of Leicester's international students. Over time, the centre has evolved into one of the largest departments of its kind in the UK and, as well as providing language training for over 1,000 students every year, it has expanded to offer a wide range of services for a variety of organisations, including Cambridge Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA) teacher training, English for both specific and general purposes, and English language teaching consultancy.

The centre also delivers credit bearing modules for Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes and offers a distance learning Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching English for Academic Purposes.

Accredited by the

BRITISH COUNCIL

CITE is:

- Accredited by the British Council
- An authorised centre for CELTA courses
- An active member of BALEAP (British Association of Lecturers in English for Academic Purposes).



WHAT WE CAN OFFER

The International Professional Development Unit provides a range of training, consultancy, and applied research solutions. We pride ourselves on being highly flexible and able to tailor our services to meet a client's specific needs. We also have access to academic and teaching excellence across the University of Leicester, which can be matched to a range of client requirements.

Examples of what we can offer include:

- **Teacher Training:** Courses are available for teachers operating at all educational levels, from school through to higher education. We can provide expertise in all areas of teacher development and have specific skills in, among others, E-earning and educational technologies, curriculum development, communication skills and effective leadership.
- **English Language Classes:** As well as academic and general English, we can also offer English classes for specific purposes, such as airline, medical and public administration.
- **English Teacher Training:** We are accredited to offer specific training for English teachers using qualifications developed by CELTA, one of the most popular qualifications in this area.
- **Internships:** Specialist programmes can be developed for academic visitors from global institutions of higher education which can include support for individual research projects, specialist lectures and training courses, classroom observations, English language preparation, and shadowing of academic staff.
- **Consultancy and Applied Research:** Our expertise can be used to develop curricula, provide accreditation support, develop quality assurance processes, and complete applied research projects.

For projects delivered in Leicester we can offer a range of additional support options, including:

- Campus based accommodation
- Social visits and excursions to cities such as London, Oxford and York
- Airport transfers
- Visits to local organisations of interest such as hospitals, companies, local authorities or schools
- Social events with local staff and students

I learned a lot from the courses, including some key concepts, issues of EAP and useful classroom methodologies. I will use what I have learned, especially useful teaching slides, websites and course materials in my new semester's teaching work. This is a perfect course and I really learned a lot.

XIUCHUN, SHANGHAI UNIVERSITY
OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
AND ECONOMICS



CASE STUDIES

PANAMA BILINGUE

A group of 20 teachers visit us from Panama for a period of 8 weeks to learn about modern English teaching pedagogies and approaches to education management. Their programme was a mixture of bespoke language and education training classes alongside school visits and cultural trips to places of interest.

THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR, TURKEY

Each year, a group of government civil servants from the Turkish government have trained with us on a 9-month programme. After working closely with the ministry departments, a bespoke course was developed which focused on improving English levels and improving delegates' understanding of UK approaches to government. Delegates were able to learn about other cultures and develop improved English language skills in an international context. The last month of this programme was an applied education module where students used their English to write about a topic relevant to their government roles in Turkey.

KHEBRAT, SAUDI ARABIA

Two groups of Saudi Arabian teaching professionals have been welcomed by the International Professional Development Unit for 12-month programmes in education leadership and modern pedagogy. These courses have included English language lessons and bespoke classes designed to provide teachers with skills to improve the educational outcomes of their pupils. This has included a strong collaboration with the School of Education, allowing teachers from Saudi Arabia to gain real experience in partner schools and support from highly qualified teacher trainers.

KAZAKHSTAN: ENGLISH FOR SUCCESS

Our experts regularly deliver projects overseas, which recently included a partnership with the British Council in Kazakhstan to provide capacity building courses for school teachers and university based teacher trainers across the regions of Atyrau and Mangystau. Following an initial detailed scoping study, a series of five day bespoke workshops were designed

and delivered, in Kazakhstan, for multiple groups of teachers and school leaders.

NANTONG UNIVERSITY, CHINA

Groups of academic staff from Nantong University have been welcomed annually for specially tailored English for Academics courses. Working with the Department for Respiratory Sciences, this 11-week course focuses on English communication skills for academics, who come from a range of academic disciplines. While in Leicester, they complete an individual research project of their choosing, making use of the University's facilities and resources. To do this, they are provided with access to academic departments across the institution. As well as an improved level of English, participants leave with a clearer understanding of the British higher education context as well as other aspects of British culture.



STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER

CAMPUS FACILITIES

The University of Leicester's bustling and compact campus is a vibrant community, with all manner of places to meet, eat and drink, as well as study. The University has a commitment to providing high-quality facilities and an extensive campus development plan to ensure all resources meet the needs of our international students, no matter the length of time they study with us. The University also has two sports centres, and in addition offers places for religious worship, to aid the well-being of our students. The full range of amenities available in the city centre are only twenty minutes' walk or a short bus ride away. The International Professional Development Unit is based in specialist facilities ten minutes' walk from the main university campus.

ACCOMMODATION

The University of Leicester offers a range of accommodation options to suit all budgets and preferences. Accommodation is situated in numerous locations across the city and city-living accommodation lies between the University campus and city centre, within easy walking distance of both. Other accommodation is located a short walk from the University or near the Botanical Gardens, a scenic area populated by a mix of Edwardian mansions and modern housing. Other options include private lodgings, homestay with local families, or state of the art conference style accommodation at College Court. Accommodation can either be on a catered or self-catered basis.

www.le.ac.uk/accommodation

LIBRARY

The award-winning David Wilson Library is a cutting-edge hub for research and education. Containing numerous study areas, 350 computers, and 38 kilometres of shelving for books, it is one of the most best-equipped university libraries in the country. Information Librarians provide detailed advice for each subject area and help students make the most of resources available in the Library and on the web. Over £6m a year is invested in the Library, which is open 24 hours a day in term time. It includes access to over a million printed volumes and to the Leicester Digital Library of tens of thousands of journals, which is accessible from anywhere in the world with an internet connection.

www.le.ac.uk/library



DAVID WILSON LIBRARY

THE CITY OF LEICESTER

CHARACTER. CULTURE. COLOUR. THIS IS LEICESTER

Leicester is a city of smiles. In fact, it's ranked the second happiest city in the UK. Beyond this, there's so much to see, do, and experience that you'll have no trouble falling for it.

FOR THE HISTORY AND CULTURE BUFFS

Leicester is packed with museums, art galleries, music venues and art-house cinemas. It also plays host to a number of cultural festivals. The Diwali celebrations are some of the biggest outside of India, and the Caribbean Carnival and annual comedy festival are too good to be missed.

SHOPPING FOR DAYS

Leicester has the big brands, the local favourites, and the largest outdoor covered market in Europe. The Highcross Shopping Centre has over 150 shops and restaurants, while The Lanes is where you'll find the boutiques and speciality stores.

CURRY – AND EVERYTHING ELSE

A previous winner of the Curry Capital of Britain, the Indian food in Leicester is up there with the best. But you'll also find Turkish, Brazilian, Spanish, Italian, modern British and, of course, pub grub.

COFFEE. CLUBS. BARS.

Leicester has plenty of trendy cafés, bars, clubs, and a few hidden gems off the beaten track. Closer to campus, Queens Road is where you'll find some student favourites.

CHEERING ON THE LOCALS

This city loves sport. The Leicester Tigers are England's most successful rugby club. The Leicester Riders are a dominant force in the British Basketball League. And who could forget Leicester City Football Club's historic 2016 season? Cheering from the sidelines is an experience in itself.

BEYOND THE BUSTLE

There's much more to Leicester than a city centre. Just a short trip out and you're in open countryside. Rutland Water offers great cycling, sailing and windsurfing, while those in search of history will find their answer in the ruins of Bradgate House or Bosworth Battlefield.

In the lanes you've got all these little old boutiques that sell vintage clothes and things you wouldn't expect to find in your general high street stores.





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in
every
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Top 25
best UK university*

*Times Higher Education
World University Rankings 2020

94.4%
employability*

*latest DLHE

Top 10 UK university
for producing CEOs*

*Emolument.com

Top 25
UK University targeted by
leading employers*

*The Graduate Market 2019

Top 20
Students' Union*

*voted 15th best in the country by
students on StudentCrowd

3rd most affordable
city*

*NatWest's Student Living Index

2nd happiest city
in the UK*

*9NINE Super Seed

 **Leicester stands**
together*

*HeForShe - 1 of only 10 University
IMPACT Champions worldwide

Top 35
world university for sustainability*

*UI GreenMetric World University
Rankings 2018

Top 100
Europe's most innovative
universities*

*Reuters 2019

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