



Holmes Colleges Australia
English Language Programs

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Australia

Holmes Colleges is one of Australia's best known and most experienced English Language centres. With a great choice of study locations in **Melbourne**, **Sydney**, **Brisbane**, **Gold Coast** and **Cairns**, Holmes offers you a superb range of English language courses allowing you to improve your English as well as fully enjoy Australia. All our city centre colleges are modern, airconditioned and close to downtown shops, cafes and transport. And as each of our colleges offers the same curriculum you may study the same course in any of our centres.

Speaking





Friends

English



The Holmes Way The atmosphere in all our Colleges is warm, caring and friendly. Our highly qualified teachers are trained and recruited from our own acclaimed CELTA teacher training division in Melbourne. They are dedicated to helping you reach your goal, whether it be to pass a recognised English language examination, improve your English speaking and listening skills or just enjoy Australian life in English. As a Holmes student you will have access to a personal tutor for study and full student care. Before arrival you and your family are given 24 hour contact details. All the staff at Holmes are experienced in providing you with the most professional student care possible.

Experience

Exciting





Fun

Melbourne

Melbourne, elegant, European, wealthy and conservative, is internationally recognised as the world's most liveable city. Melbourne's climate boasts four seasons, some of the best food in the Southern Hemisphere, a host of major sporting events and the greatest concentration of universities in Australia. Holmes Melbourne is located in the centre of the city, close to transport, restaurants, parks and shops. Opposite the campus is the Victorian Parliament. Students can take advantage of the best transport system in Australia. The campus holds five floors of classrooms, computing labs, library and resource centres and large recreational areas.

Sydney

Sydney, olympic city, famous for its wonderful harbour, is arguably the most exciting place to be in the Southern Hemisphere. Fast moving, cosmopolitan, it is a place that appears to have no boundaries. Art, science, business and sport all flourish here making it a hub of cultural activity. Holmes Sydney is located in the heart of the city in York Street, a stone's throw from the town hall and two major central railway stations. The campus is state of the art – incorporating lecture theatres, tutorial rooms, classrooms, library, canteen, common room and computing facilities. Access to city centre transport is only a few steps away. Surrounding the campus are cafes, shops and parks.



Brisbane

Capital city of the 'Sunshine State' is fabulous to study English. The living is easy in Brisbane and its friendly citizens really know how to make an international student feel at home. The short Brisbane winter means students don't need heavy clothing and the excellent weather makes Brisbane and surrounding districts a great place for sightseeing and having fun. Holmes' modern campus is located in the city centre, just minutes from buses, trains and ferries. Study English and then take a business or university course and experience life in Australia's fastest growing city.

Gold Coast

Study English five minutes from Paradise! Holmes Colleges Gold Coast is situated in the heart of the Gold Coast at stunning Broadbeach. The elegant airconditioned school with its imposing sea view balcony delights students with its relaxed and social atmosphere. As in all Holmes Colleges, students can take advantage of excellent teaching combined with superb premises and state of the art technology to assist in the language learning process. Studying at Holmes Gold Coast comes as near to a language learning paradise as you can get.

Cairns

A tropical climate, the magic of the Great Barrier Reef and the friendly staff make Holmes Colleges Cairns a unique choice for students who want to get the most out of life. The College is well situated right in the centre of the city and has its own beautiful courtyard. Combine your English studies with a diving certificate, relax with a Friday evening barbecue, or take the challenge of river rafting or bungy jumping. Situated in Far North Queensland, Holmes Colleges Cairns offers a unique opportunity to experience tropical Australia. Why not add a Cairns adventure to your Australian study experience?

City Campuses



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Intensive General English Course

The Holmes Colleges Intensive English course is an ideal way to learn to use English effectively in an everyday environment. Carefully graded with level tests every four weeks you will find that you progress fast in an enjoyable way. Lessons are high quality with a program that allows you to make choices about your teachers and your study topic at levels above Intermediate. Completion of Intermediate level allows you to enter all courses that are at a higher level.

Duration: 1 – 48 weeks
Levels: Beginner to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast, Cairns

Elite English Course

This thirty hour a week course is for students who need to learn English fast and effectively in a superior intensive study environment. Homework is given, along with frequent testing. As an Elite student you may also combine your study with any of our examination preparation courses. You meet regularly with your individual tutor who will guide you through the levels.

Duration: 4 – 48 weeks
Levels: Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 30 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast, Cairns

Cambridge Examination Preparation

These intensive 12 week preparation courses are designed to offer you a thorough preparation in the major Cambridge Examinations such as First Certificate (FCE), Cambridge Advanced Examination (CAE) and Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency (CPE). Courses are offered over 12 weeks. Holmes Colleges students have consistently achieved high rates of success in these examinations well above the international average.

Duration: 12 weeks
Levels: Upper Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: University of Cambridge Certificates
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast, Cairns

IELTS Preparation

This is a full time intensive course which aims to give you a firm grounding in the skills needed for the IELTS test. There is a high degree of personal academic interaction with your teacher. There is also an option for students to train for IELTS over a longer period taking the course as an elective in their General English course.

Duration: 12 weeks
Levels: Upper Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: IELTS
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast

English for Academic Purposes

English for Academic Purposes is aimed at students who need English for use in higher education or university. Courses focus on performance in English at University level, study skills and fluency practice. Classes may be studied full time or in addition to an examination class or general language training class. The course includes real time exposure to James Cook University lectures.

Duration: 12 – 36 weeks
Levels: Upper Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English/IELTS/TOEFL/TOEIC
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane

English Plus Programs+

Full time courses are also offered where English is taught along with a selection of subjects in Computing/Tourism/Hotel Management/Office Management/Business Management or Marketing. This is an ideal opportunity for more advanced students to use and learn English in a variety of occupations and diploma fields. Courses are tailored to suit your goals.

Duration: 5 - 10 weeks
Levels: Upper Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English
Individual Diploma subjects
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast

Business English

The English for Business course is designed to focus on teaching you the language skills required in the professional working world. There is a great deal of practical emphasis including real time exposure to business situations. You will learn how to speak confidently in public situations, how to conduct yourself at meetings in English, how to communicate effectively by telephone, email and in more formal correspondence and how to assimilate business idiom and convention. Classes are small with a high degree of personal attention.

Duration: 2 - 6 weeks
Levels: Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast

English and Diving

The English and Diving* course is held at Holmes Colleges Cairns and the Great Barrier Reef which offers some of the best diving in the world. English tuition covers the language necessary to undertake PADI Open Water Certificates. Advanced Dive Courses are also available.

Duration: 2 weeks
Levels: Beginner/Pre Intermediate to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English/PADI Open Water Diving Certificate
Location: Cairns

High School Preparation

Holmes Colleges runs a full time High School Preparation Program covered in a separate brochure. All aspects of High School preparation and placement are covered. Please contact our International Office for more details.

Duration: 1 – 48 weeks
Levels: Beginner to Advanced
Hours: 25 hours per week
Qualification: Holmes Certificate of English/AEAS
Location: Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane
Gold Coast

Study Tours

English plus sightseeing. Holmes can arrange Study Tours* for large or small groups visiting one or more of our campuses. Many groups find this an ideal way to see Australia. Homestay and language training programs are available and tailored to your request. Classes and programs can be integrated into our general programs or delivered specifically to the group. Please contact our International Office for more details.

Teacher Training

Teacher Training courses* are held at the Holmes Teacher Training Institute in Melbourne for both native and non-native speakers of English. The Institute is the foremost of its kind in Australia with an exemplary record in teacher training and refresher courses for teachers of English in Asia. Further details are covered in a separate brochure. Please contact our International Office for more details.

Duration: 4 weeks
Levels: Native to Non Native Speaker
Hours: Full time
Qualification: Cambridge/RSA CELTA/CEELT
Location: Melbourne

Note: Students on a student visa must be enrolled in a full-time course

*Not suitable as the primary enrolled course for students on a student visa

Your Accommodation

All Holmes Colleges have enthusiastic and committed accommodation officers who are there to help you settle into the Australian way of life. You may choose from a variety of accommodation options

Homestay

Living with an Australian family means you speak English - all the time. You'll learn to converse in real life situations and you'll have Australian friends for years to come. Holmes has a large network of friendly and reliable homestay families.

All homestays are inspected regularly and approved by our accommodation officers.

Hostels and Guest Houses

In addition to the Homestay program, there are Student Hostels and Guest Houses which we are happy to recommend. These are either full or part board and are within easy travelling distance from the colleges.

Units/Apartments

After an initial period of homestay or hostel accommodation, you may prefer to move into apartment style accommodation with other students.

Having Fun at Holmes

English Language classes are only part of the Holmes experience.

All our colleges provide a social program which gives you the opportunity to develop your language skills and practise what you have learned in class. Activities can include diving on the Great Barrier Reef, beach barbecues, friendly parties, horseriding, soccer...



Classrooms

All Holmes Colleges are well equipped to meet your needs.

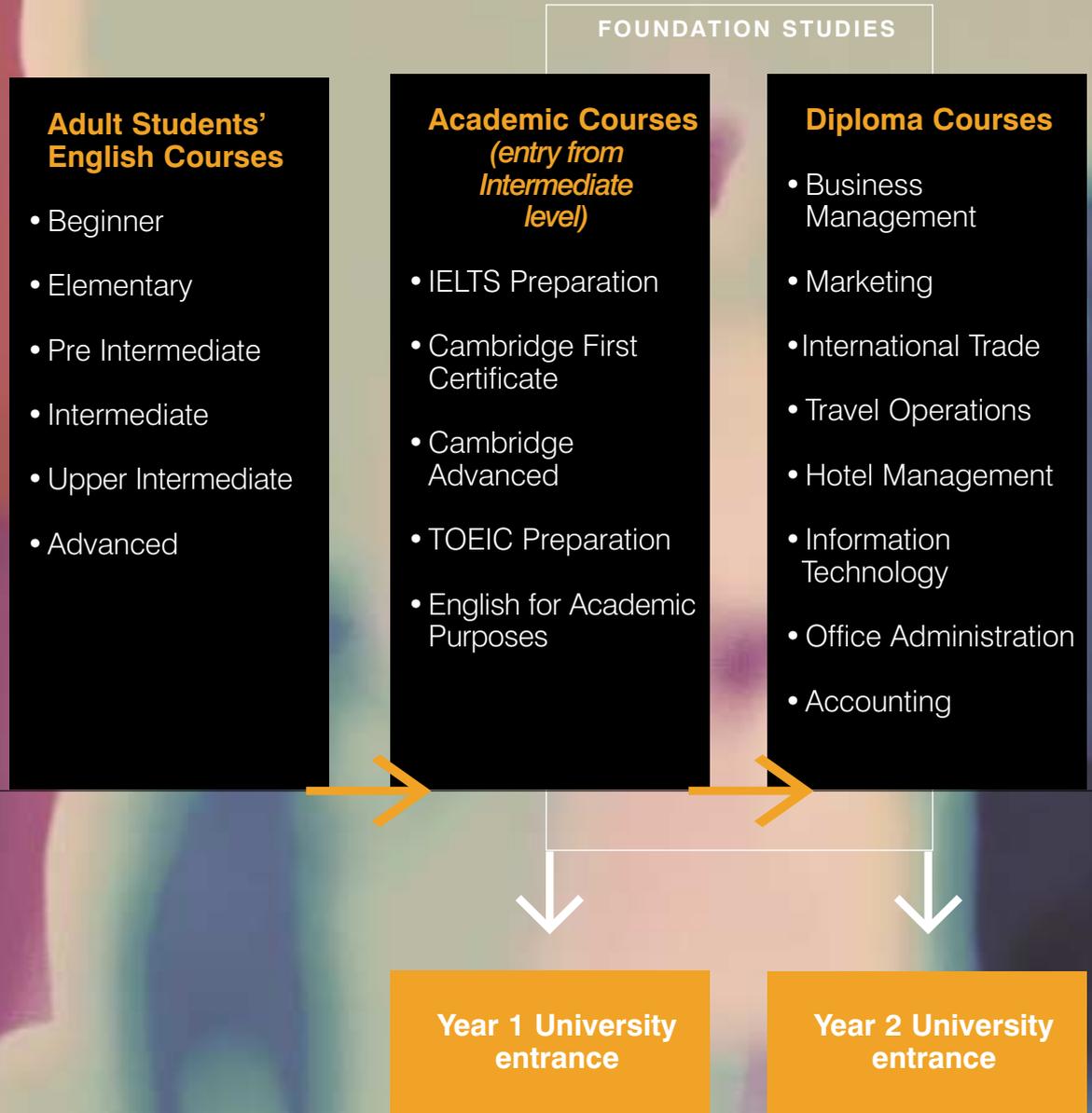
They are situated in modern air-conditioned buildings in central city locations. Classrooms are spacious and comfortable and designed to help you study in a relaxed and productive atmosphere. The student lounges are the social centres of the colleges. Here you will make friends from all over the world - friends you will keep for life.

Resource Centres

Holmes Resource Centres have everything you need for your studies: a wide selection of textbooks, recorded cassettes for listening and pronunciation practice, and graded and authentic reading materials to assist you in improving your English. Our well-equipped computer rooms are also available for you to access the Internet and the latest computer language learning software.

Further Education

After you have gained confidence in English why not develop other skills by taking further studies at Holmes Institute? Students who have achieved Upper Intermediate Level can choose from a number of diploma courses in Information Technology, Business Management, Marketing, Hospitality, Tourism, Accounting, International Trade or Office Administration. On completion of these courses you can gain credit into a number of Australian Universities. In addition Holmes is pleased to offer suitable applicants direct entry into Business degree programs in Bachelor of Business at James Cook University in Melbourne, Sydney, Cairns and Townsville. Please contact our International Office for more details.





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