



University of  
**Kent**

# English Language and British Culture Short Course

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# Introducing Kent



# Canterbury

- The historic city Canterbury, most famous for its stunning cathedral, is a fascinating place to live. Steeped in history, its cobbled streets house quirky shops and high street stores, as well as pubs, restaurants and a theatre. Fun to wander around, you'll soon have your own favourite places. A campus with a view
- Our Canterbury campus is green, safe and welcoming. It sits on a hill above the historic city, with a fantastic view of the cathedral. As well as our academic schools and impressive library, there are cafés, a cinema and theatre, sports centre, food shops, a bookshop and lots of outdoor space to explore and relax in.



# Our Campus



# Accommodation



- Self-catered, Shared Kitchen & Bathroom Accommodation – Parkwood Houses
- Welcome Meal and Breakfast on the first day
- Canterbury Orientation with Student Ambassadors
- 24/7 Campus Security
- Wi-fi
- On site Kent Course Coordinator (office hours)
- Laundrettes on site
- Bus Stop for buses into town
- Catering card with £10 per day allowance

# Excursions



# Canterbury Cathedral and the City of Canterbury

- Visit and Tour the Cathedral
- Explore the historic City of Canterbury, wind through Medieval Lanes, visit Roman Ruins and explore the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Cathedral.





# Dover Castle

- Explore more Cultural Heritage and a not for profit organisation preserving the nation's heritage.
- Explore England's largest Castle. Rising above the famous White Cliffs high above the Channel, Dover Castle is an icon of England. Built soon after 1066, this mighty fortress has been the site of royal intrigue and epic sieges, and was at the centre of the crucial effort to evacuate hundreds of thousands of Allied troops from the beach of Dunkirk.



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# Leeds Castle

- A castle has existed on the site since 857.<sup>[1]</sup> In the 13th century, it came into the hands of King Edward I, for whom it became a favourite residence; in the 16th century, Henry VIII used it as a dwelling for his first wife, Catherine of Aragon.
- The present castle dates mostly from the early 19th century. Its last private owner, Olive, Lady Baillie,



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# Other places to explore in your free time

- We are close to London, Margate, Rye & Whitstable to enjoy the seaside and many more attractions!

# Places to Visit

- A day by the sea
- As well as being known as 'the Garden of England', Kent also has a wonderful coastline: Kent Heritage Coast was named one of the 10 best regions to visit in Lonely Planet's Best in Travel 2022.



# Course Overview and Approach

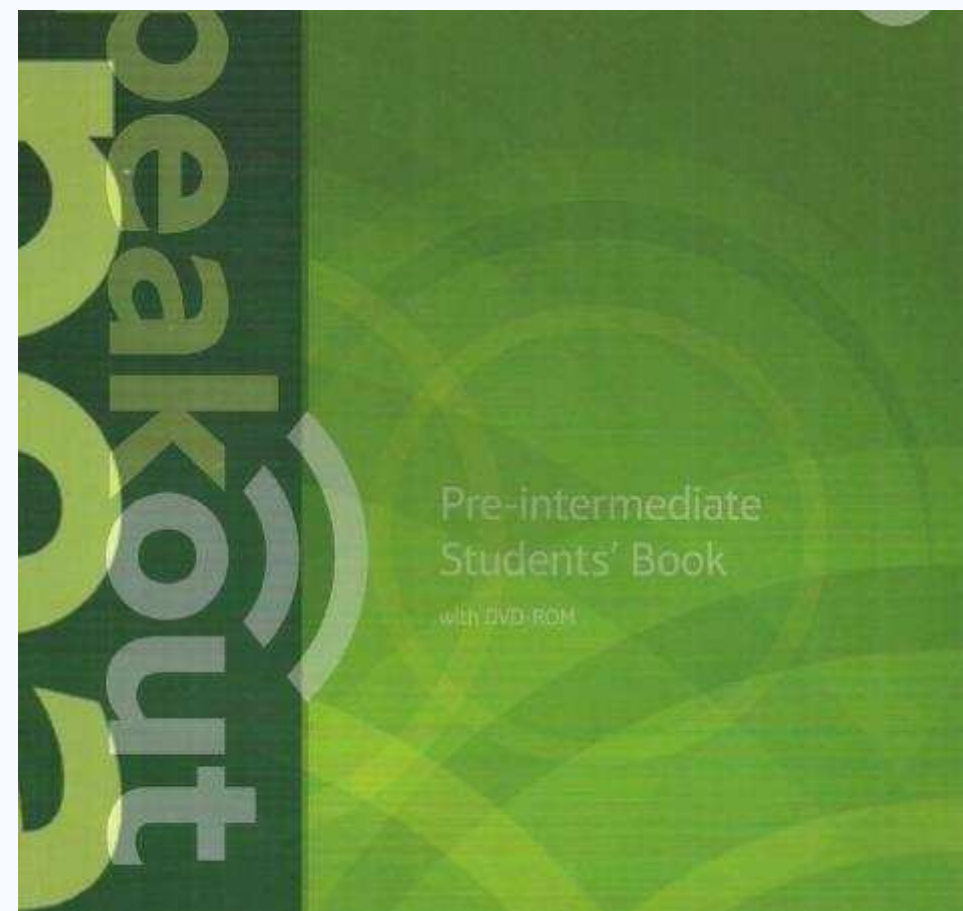


# Skills-based Sessions

- Sessions will take a skills and tasks based approach, taking you out into real-world settings to explore topics in context.
- English Language Sessions will follow appropriate SpeakOut Textbook Levels.
- You will take Entry tests (prior to course) in Reading, Listening, Writing and Speaking and Exit assessments (Reading, Writing & Speaking)
- The assessments will also assess your grammar and vocabulary.



- The course will cover key English Language & British Culture topics such as:
  - Pronunciation
  - Supporting your excursions
  - Vocabulary and Grammar
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- Work with our Student Ambassadors (4 hours p/w) for knowledge exchange and peer learning & Social Activities.



# End of Course Presentation & Project

- On the last day of your course, you will give a short (6-8 minutes, and then Q&A) reflective presentation.





# What should I prepare?



# Things to bring

- We will have a full pre-arrival Induction a week before you arrive but...
- Comfortable shoes to explore our campus and on days out
- Layers – it's British weather! So a mid-weight jumper, a scarf/pashmina (handy on the flight) a decent raincoat, sunhat, sunscreen.
- Any medicines and please pack general medicines (cold, headache, tummy upset, first aid etc)
- A Refillable water bottle
- Notebook, pens, laptop & charger
- Adaptors (3 pin, Type G, 230V plug)
- Hairdryer (we do have some to loan out but on first come first served)
- Spending money for local travel (e.g. bus tickets), snacks, incidentals, purchases and activities on free days.

# Questions?

- Email your team at your institution.
- Email [summerschools@kent.ac.uk](mailto:summerschools@kent.ac.uk)

