



Adult Course Guide 2019



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Welcome to St Brelade's College

Our English programmes for adults are designed to encompass all aspects of your stay, so that you can maximise your learning & leisure experiences on the beautiful & friendly island of Jersey.

We are a second generation, family-run language school with a strong commitment to providing quality English tuition. Our aim is to help you achieve your specific learning needs and communicate with confidence in a comfortable environment. Whether English is required for academic, professional or simply recreational purposes, our classes are adapted accordingly.

English lessons are combined with a diverse social programme so that you can continue learning outside the classroom and can get a sense of Jersey's outdoor lifestyle, landscape and heritage in the company of other international students.





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St Brelade's College

The principles of the school remain the same today as in 1978 when the school was founded; to provide relevant and motivating English lessons as part of a comprehensive learning package.



Teaching Methods

St Brelade's College is the only year-round British Council accredited school in the Channel Islands.

Our structured syllabus, with a focus on communication, has been devised in order to bridge the gap between what you learn in the classroom and what's outside the door. We use up-to-date course books enhanced by stimulating activities and authentic media.

We encourage you to work towards your learning goals and gain confidence through flexible & engaging classes planned to meet individual needs.

We promote continual learning for our teachers, through internal workshops, appraisals and training courses so that their teaching styles and skills are in line with modern practice.

Student Feedback

In 2017, when adult students were asked whether they would recommend the school, they gave an average rating of 9.1/10.

What you write in your mid and end course feedback is important to us, not only so that we can check your satisfaction during your stay but also to improve our programmes in the future.



"The courses were taken by experienced and dedicated teachers who were very interesting."

Facilities

Adult courses take place all year round at our main school in St Aubin where courses for other age groups also take place at different times of the year.

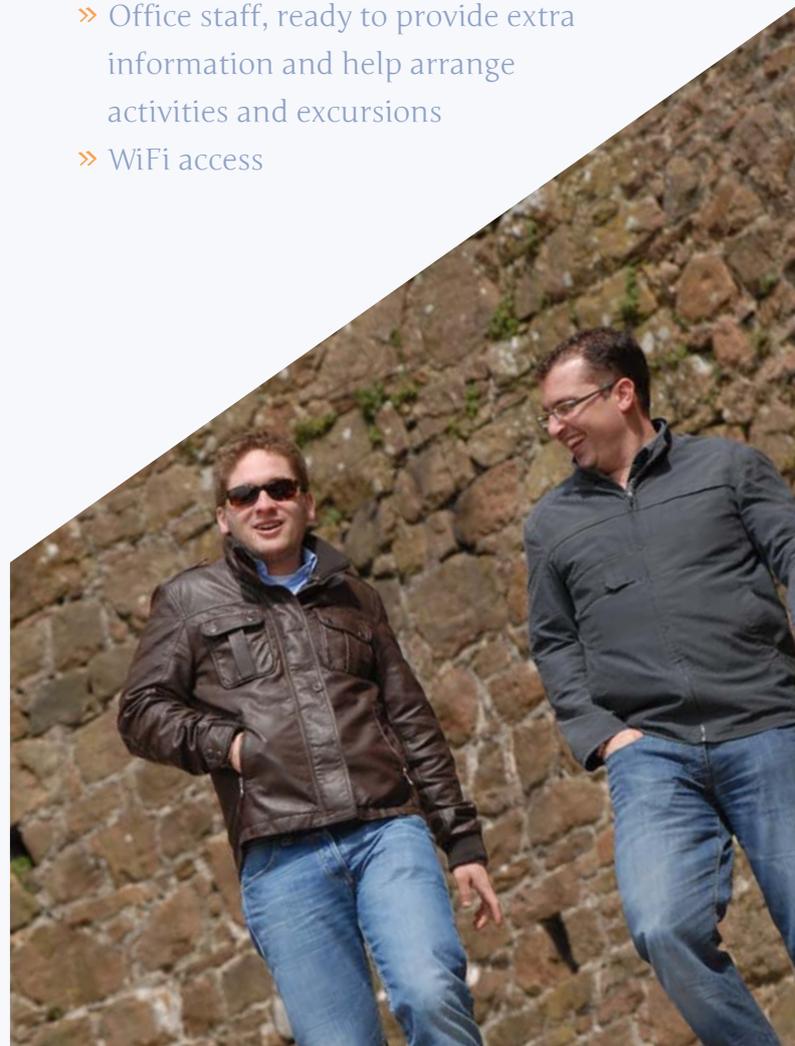
- » Capacity: 100 students
- » 12 bright and traditional classrooms
- » Adult student lounge in an attractive log cabin, alongside the school
- » Picnic area with woodland views
- » Cafe serving hot drinks during peak periods plus drink & snack machines
- » Newspapers, English books and DVDs available to read and borrow
- » Office staff, ready to provide extra information and help arrange activities and excursions
- » WiFi access

Location

Our permanent year-round school occupies a charming 19th century granite building a short walk from the picturesque harbour village of St Aubin.

The school is positioned amongst lush woodland, ideal for quiet and focused study. Just down the hill in St Aubin, students can find the adult residence, beach, harbour-front promenade with restaurants, bars & cafes, an art gallery and all the necessary amenities, including a supermarket, cash machine & post office.

Bus routes connect St Aubin to the main town of St Helier and airport in 15 minutes and woodland paths & beach promenades make the area perfect for walking & cycling.



The Island of Jersey

A small, yet well-connected island with a vibrant way of life, Jersey is a delightful place to get to know either in your free-time or as part of our social programme.



About Jersey

Jersey is the largest of the Channel Islands, a distinctive collection of British islands located between France and the UK.

Although it is relatively small, it has a sizeable international population and varied tourist attractions. Breathtaking beaches with golden sands and rocky landscapes define the coastline, providing a haven for outdoor living. Remnants of Jersey's unique history can be seen from its castles, Napoleonic fortresses and World War II fortifications along the coastline and Neolithic burial sites found amongst the lush inland countryside.

The island provides a warm and welcoming setting for our courses, with locals known for their open & friendly attitude.

The lively main town of St Helier has a wealth of shops & nightlife, with plenty of restaurants serving local seafood and international cuisines.

Getting to Jersey

As a prominent offshore financial centre Jersey is well connected to Europe. Regular ferries from France and direct flights from Germany, Switzerland & Austria allow for uncomplicated travel. There are also daily transfers from London Gatwick and other UK airports.

Our homestay providers will collect you straight from the harbour or airport at no extra cost.



Adult English Courses

Individual & group English tuition to meet your personal & professional learning needs, combined with a diverse social programme embracing Jersey's finest attractions.



Standard Course

Our standard English course includes a structured programme of morning English lessons with afternoons free to take part in our social programme or explore the island.

- » **Lessons per week:** 15 hours per week - mornings only
- » **Maximum class size:** 9 students
- » **Course duration:** 1-47 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 18 years
- » **Minimum level of English:** Elementary
- » **Social programme:** One or two afternoon excursions per week (depending on the season) and optional social evenings

Intensive Course

Gain the confidence to communicate effectively in English through morning English lessons, as well as afternoon classes focused on discussion & debate.

- » **Lessons per week:** 22.5 hours - mornings plus four afternoons
- » **Maximum class size:** 9 students
- » **Course duration:** 1-47 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 18 years
- » **Minimum level of English:** Elementary
- » **Social programme:** One or two afternoon excursions per week (depending on the season) and optional social evenings



Young Adult Courses

If you want to learn English, as well as benefit from the more energetic sports that Jersey has to offer, then our young adult programme may be the best choice. It includes a fun packed activity programme with some of Jersey's best sports and water based activities, such as surfing, cycling, high speed boat tours etc.

Available throughout the summer, this programme is available to young adults and includes either standard or intensive English tuition. It combines the standard social programme of two afternoon excursions with one or two more active sports and water based activities.

- » **Lessons per week:** 15 or 20.5 hours - mornings only or mornings plus three afternoons
- » **Maximum class size:** 12 students
- » **Course duration:** 1-6 weeks
- » **Age range:** 17-24 years*
- » **Minimum level of English:** Elementary
- » **Social programme:** Three or four afternoon excursions per week (depending on the course chosen) and optional social evenings

* At the discretion of the school principal, students a year outside of the recommended age range may occasionally be accepted on the course.

50+ Course

Our 50+ programme is designed to appeal to mature students who want to enjoy what Jersey has to offer in the company of people of a similar age.

Courses take place in May, June & September. Our morning lessons aim to strengthen your understanding of English and improve confidence & fluency.

With its stunning scenery and easy-going lifestyle, Jersey is well-suited to the mature student. The social programme includes coastal & country walks, garden & manor visits, excursions to Jersey's main attractions & historical sites and social evenings where you can get to know each other in a relaxed environment.

- » **Lessons per week:** 15 hours per week - mornings only
- » **Maximum class size:** 9 students
- » **Course duration:** 2 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 50 years
- » **Minimum level of English:** Elementary
- » **Social programme:** Four afternoon excursions, a full day island tour and optional social evenings

Standard + Business English Course

The business programme is aimed at anyone who uses English regularly in the workplace. It is a cost-effective way for you to combine a standard course, with some focused work on the skills and language required to communicate effectively with clients and colleagues of different nationalities.

Topics covered in the business lessons include ecommerce, business travel & meetings, interviews, presentations & negotiations, cross-cultural awareness, global English, international trade & making small talk.

- » **Course dates:** High season only
- » **Lessons per week:** 15 hours general, 7.5 hours business English
- » **Maximum class size:** 9 students for general English, 6 students for business English ‡
- » **Course duration:** 1-8 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 21 years
- » **Minimum level of English:** Intermediate
- » **Social programme:** Two afternoon excursions per week and optional social evenings

‡ Where class size falls below two, you will be offered a different course or four hours private tuition in place of the business module. You will be informed the week prior to the course starting.

English plus Golf

With six golf courses at impressive locations around the island, Jersey is an obvious choice for a keen golfer.

You can design your own programme based on the intensity of English and golf required. Practise your English on a pleasant round of golf with an English teacher or improve your golfing skills with a PGA professional.

- » **Lessons per week:** Combine your choice of English course with afternoon golf sessions with an English teacher or PGA professional (1.5, 3 or 6 hours)
- » **Maximum group size for golf:** 1-3 students with an English teacher or PGA professional
- » **Course duration:** 1-4 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 18 years
- » **Social programme:** One or two afternoon excursions per week (depending on the course chosen) and optional social evenings



Combination Courses

Our combination English courses are ideal if you want to focus on a specific topic during private lessons, as well as meet other students and practise communicating in English in the group environment.

- » **Lessons per week:** 15 hours group, 7.5 hours private lessons or 7.5 hours group, 15 hours private lessons - mornings plus four afternoons
- » **Maximum class size:** 9 students for group lessons
- » **Course duration:** 1-47 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 18 years
- » **Minimum level of English:** Elementary
- » **Social programme:** One or two afternoon excursions per week (depending on the season) and optional social evenings

Private Tuition

If you have a specific English requirement or are simply looking to improve your English quickly, private tuition is the ideal choice.

- » **Lessons per week:** 15 or 22.5 hours - mornings only or mornings plus four afternoons
- » **Course duration:** 1-47 weeks
- » **Minimum age:** 18 years
- » **Minimum level of English:** Beginner
- » **Social programme:** One or two afternoon excursions per week (depending on the season) and optional social evenings



Social Programme

The social programme plays an important part in your stay, giving you the opportunity to discover what the island has to offer, meet people from around the world and practise English in an informal setting.

Jersey's rich heritage and varied natural environment allow for a broad and unparalleled leisure programme. The striking coastline is a key feature with breathtaking coastal walks and castles included regularly, along with other attractions, such as Jersey War Tunnels, neolithic dolmens & Jersey zoo.

During the high season two afternoon excursions are included in the programme and in the low season one excursion is included. The 50+ and young adult courses include additional excursions and activities tailored specifically to these groups of students.

Our helpful office staff are ready to advise & book other activities that you may be interested in whilst in Jersey, such as watersports or trips to France or the other Channel Islands.

The optional evening programme includes a pub night with the first drink free and a meal at a pub or restaurant. Students can experience the local nightlife, food and drinks with their fellow students.

Sample Standard Programme

Monday	13:30-16:30: Mont Orgueil castle
Tuesday	20:00-22:00: Welcome drinks at the Post Horn pub
Thursday	19:00-21:30: Dinner & drinks at a local pub or restaurant**
Friday	14:30-16:30: St Brelade's bay to Beauport coastal walk
Weekend	Optional day trip to Sark or France**

** Additional costs apply

"The warm environment at school and teachers were very important for me."



Accommodation

Stay privately with one of our carefully selected local hosts or opt for our dynamic and sociable international residence a short walk from the school.



Homestay

Staying with a local & English-speaking host whilst in Jersey is one of the best ways to discover more about the island, culture and people. Our hosts welcome you into their homes and provide a casual & supportive environment in which you can continue your English experience.

We work closely with hosts around the island, many of whom have been working with us for numerous years, granting us the knowledge to place students appropriately.

In accordance with British Council regulations, our hosts are visited and checked regularly by our Student Services department, who also check them through the relevant authorities.

This option is ideal if you want to immerse yourself in Jersey life or are looking for reasonably priced accommodation over the short or longer term.

What to Expect

- » **Your host:** Homestay providers include individuals, couples, families, single parents and retired people
- » **Board:** Full board, comprising breakfast, a packed lunch and an evening meal
- » **Rooms:** Single or double rooms
- » **Location:** Around the island
- » **Daily transport:** Travel to and from school included
- » **Transfers:** Airport and harbour transfers included

Student Residence

Peterborough House residence is a characterful former merchant house dating back to 1690 on the cobbled High Street in St Aubin. The stylish harbour village is conveniently located just a short walk from the school and offers a range of essential amenities and dining options.

Communal areas have been tastefully decorated, mixing old with new to create relaxing spaces to dine, study or socialise whilst gazing out over St Aubin's bay and a 17th century fort.

Benefit from more independent living at the residence, explore Jersey on your own terms and enjoy the company of other international guests during your stay.

What to Expect

- » **Minimum age:** 18 years (+ children accompanied by parent/s)
- » **Board:** Light continental breakfast
- » **Rooms:** 12 en suite single, twin, double & treble rooms, some with sea views, 1 sea view suite with lounge/kitchenette
- » **Location:** 10 minutes walk to school, 5 minutes walk to the beach & harbour-front promenade with restaurants & pubs, a supermarket & cash machine, 15 minutes bus ride to the airport & St Helier
- » **Facilities:** Communal areas include a kitchen, dining room, study room and terrace with sea views. WiFi throughout.
- » **Laundry & cleaning:** Bed linen & bath towels provided, as well as weekly room cleaning, washing machine available**
- » **Staff:** Caretakers located on-site





Next Steps

Booking a Course

To book an English programme with St Brelade's College, visit our website www.stbreladescollege.co.uk and complete the application form online.

Course Payment

Once a course has been confirmed, you are required to pay a non-refundable deposit of £150, with the remaining payment due three weeks before arrival.

Payment can be made over the phone with debit or credit cards, using our online payment system or by international bank transfer.

Insurance

Before you arrive in the Jersey for your English course, you are strongly recommended to take out insurance for your financial and personal security.

International student policies offered by many insurance providers are specially designed for those studying English abroad.

Visas

Travelling from outside Europe? Visit the UK Borders Agency website for more details about which countries require visas and the visa application process. Our helpful team in the office can also advise you on this.

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