



# ≡ ESL

**17 LANGUAGES  
TO STUDY ABROAD!**

A WORLD OF LANGUAGES  
**2025**

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Hello

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Hallo

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# WELCOME

# YOUR TRAVEL BUDDY



*Hi! I'm María, your ESL travel planner. After 13 years working for this agency, I still feel goosebumps when I see students embark on this journey of learning a new language abroad, which is a milestone event for them and their families. I'm proud that our team makes this life-changing adventure possible each year, for so many different projects and trips around the world.*

*In our office, we have a motto: "Language is the passport to adventure." Stepping out of your comfort zone reveals a version of yourself that is continually growing and learning. That's why we strive to maintain our title as the Best Agency in Europe, and we hope that after exploring this brochure with 17 languages and more than 200 study destinations, we will be in touch to make your travel dreams a reality.*

*For students of all ages, our advice is simple: embrace every moment, explore new places, meet locals and students, immerse yourself in other cultures, and discover yourself in another language. This experience goes beyond tourism and is the best way to master a new language.*

*We're here to guide you and provide you with all the necessary tools to enjoy your language trip and come back home full of new skills and unforgettable memories.*

**Maria del Ángel Soto**  
**Area Manager – International**





## WHY CHOOSE ESL?

**25+**

*Years of Experience*

**500K+**

*Students*

**4.8**

*Score on Google Reviews*

**97%**

*of our students recommend us*



You'll always get the exact same price as you would by booking directly with the school or another agency – but you also get your own **ESL Travel Advisor** – free of charge.

We'll compare a wide range of schools and prepare your trip, saving you a lot of time. You will be supported before, during, and after your trip as the VIP student you deserve to be, with our best price guarantee and a service made for you.

**With ESL  
it's all about you**



With **40 local ESL teams around Europe**, we're always nearby when you need us!



As your travel buddy, we've got your back with **free, personalised services**, ensuring an unforgettable experience.



**Unique and tailored programs** abroad and online with total language immersion and super-fast, consistent progress.

# **ESL** **BEST AGENCY IN EUROPE**

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**Lifetime award winner** at the ST Star Awards  
after being voted **Best Agency in Europe** 5 times





# 40 ESL LOCAL TEAMS ACROSS EUROPE

Find your nearest ESL Travel Buddy,  
we could be closer than you think!





# YOUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE

**17**

*Languages*

**200+**

*Destinations*

**300+**

*Partner Schools*

- ✓ Academically top-rated schools worldwide
- ✓ Flexible start dates
- ✓ Feel like a VIP through our quality partner relationships
- ✓ Fast, effective booking for schools and accommodation
- ✓ Tailor-made programmes for all budgets and objectives
- ✓ We are here for you before, during and after your language trip
- ✓ Free visa assistance
- ✓ Travel safely and assured

**Your progress  
is our success!**

# OUR PROGRAMMES



All around the world, find the programme you're looking for to boost your language skills, ace an exam, get credits for your master's or degree abroad, or dive deep into a specific subject. ESL has got you covered!

## STANDARD OR INTENSIVE GENERAL

**Get the confidence you need in your chosen language:** Master versatile skills by studying a top language course for the duration of your choice.

[Learn more →](#)

## BUSINESS

**Boost your language skills for the world of business:** Get all the confidence you need in a professional environment, learn the jargon, specific words, and idioms used in the business world.

[Learn more →](#)

## EXAM PREPARATION

**Prove your language proficiency to the world:** we'll recommend the best schools to achieve your career or academic goals with the grades you need.

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## COURSE PLUS (SPORT, CULTURE, ETC)

**Do you have a passion?** Put into practise your target language while practising the activities you love the most.

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## OVER 30

**Are you aged 30 or more and want to study a language abroad?** Join like-minded people and improve your language skills while discovering a new city and building an international network.

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## OVER 50

**Now is also a good time to travel, refresh or learn a foreign language!** Meet people like you looking for the best excuse to visit beloved or new destinations and keep adding unforgettable experiences to their life.

[Learn more →](#)



## PRIVATE COURSES

**Progress faster with personalised lessons:** Short on time but big on goals? A private one-to-one course will ensure rapid language progress in the shortest possible time.

[Learn more →](#)

## AT THE TEACHER'S HOME

**Learn 24/7.** Live and study at your teacher's house. This is a very popular programme that will allow you to accelerate your language skills and help you to fully immerse in the local culture, with a teacher who matches your profile and needs.

[Learn more →](#)

## INTERNSHIPS OR VOLUNTEER WORK

**Practice the language in a work experience and improve your CV:** Different fields and opportunities for volunteered work in full immersion.

[Learn more →](#)

## GROUPS

**Study together and save:** Whether for a holiday camp, exam preparation, or any group language study project, we are eager to build packages just for you.

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## HIGHER EDUCATION

**Add international credits to your degree or master's studying in English:** Aim high by taking your CV to the next level. Study up to three terms in an international business school and take the credits back to your university.

[Learn more →](#)

## ONLINE COURSES

**Learn at your own pace:** Whether you're studying in your own country, while travelling, or combining online classes with traditional lessons – an online course is the most a flexible way for you to learn!

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*Is there a bigger flex than speaking another language?*



# ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS



**Whatever you choose, we'll make you feel at home.**

We select partner schools that also guarantee excellent standards for accommodation in their residences or vetting their host families. We fully understand that feeling safe and comfortable is the key to a successful experience.

## HOST FAMILY

Immerse yourself in the daily life of a local family, you'll practice the language constantly and gain authentic insight into the local culture and customs. Host families usually live fairly near the school, though in big cities they might be further away.

## STUDENT RESIDENCE

Stay in a single or twin room with other students. This is a great way to enjoy your independence while meeting people from all over the world. Contact us if you have any preference as we have residences with ensuite rooms, shared bathrooms, etc.

## SHARED APARTMENT

Live with other students and/or locals. You'll have an authentic student experience, making new friends and practising your language skills while enjoying the residence's shared facilities together.

## COURSES WITHOUT ACCOMMODATION

If you have friends or family abroad, or simply prefer to arrange your own accommodation, let us know and you can book your standalone course.

**Get ready to write your  
#ESLstories**

Host Family



Shared apartment



Student Residence



A home away from home!



# SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Have fun and enhance your experience even further with social activities organised by your school!

From weekdays to weekends: dinners and parties, city tours on foot or wheels, shopping in fashion hubs, surfing the waves, scenic hikes, BBQs, sports and games, ready to forge friendships that last!



Share your adventures  
with the world using  
**#ESLstories**



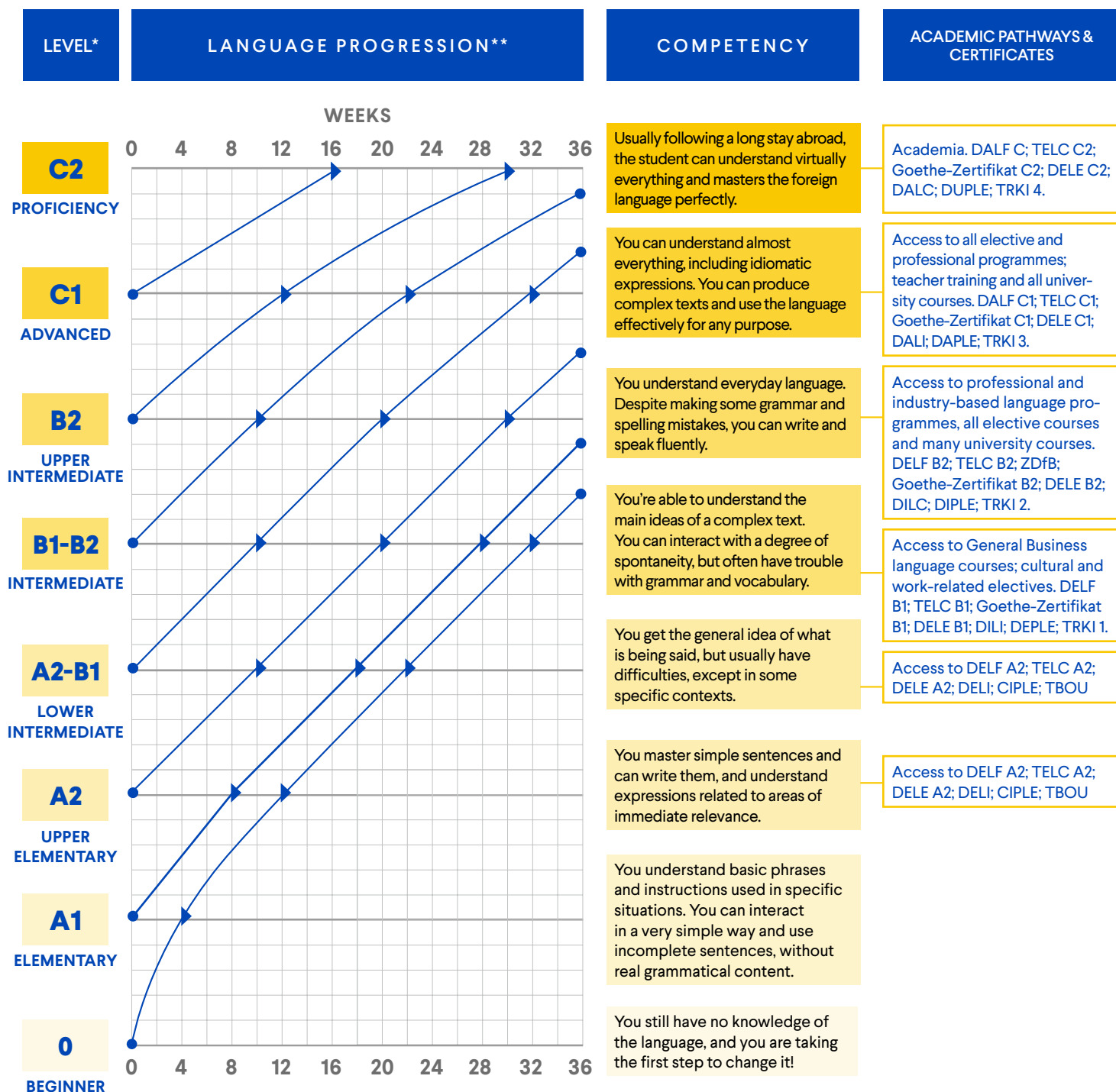


TRAVEL  
STUDY  
ENJOY  
REPEAT.



# LANGUAGE LEVELS + PROGRESSION

Not sure where your language skills are at? Don't worry, as all of our partner schools offer an evaluation test on the first day or pre-arrival. To best advise on how you can reach your objectives and tailor courses to your needs, ESL also offers this service during your consultancy interview.



\* Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

\*\*These progression indicators are based on statistics with an average of 25 hours study per week and they depend on your personal commitment.

# OFFICIAL EXAMS + CERTIFICATES

An official language certificate  
is a passport to your future.

ESL offers you specialised exam prep  
courses so you'll arrive on test day ready to  
take your exam confidently.

## ENGLISH

### BRITISH EXAMS

IELTS (International English Language Testing System)  
Cambridge B2 First  
Cambridge C1 Advanced  
Cambridge C2 Proficiency

### AMERICAN EXAMS

TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)  
TOEIC (Test of English in International Communication)

## SPANISH

DELE (Diplomas de Español como Lengua Extranjera)

## FRENCH

DELFL (Diplôme d'études en langue française)  
DALF (Diplôme approfondi de langue française)

## GERMAN

TELC (The European Language Certificate)  
Goethe-Zertifikate

## ITALIAN

CILS – (Certificazione di Italiano come Lingua Straniera)  
Università per Stranieri di Siena

## PORTUGUESE

CELPE-Bras (Certificado de Proficiência  
em Língua Portuguesa para Estrangeiros)

## CHINESE (MANDARIN)

HSK – Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi.



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# GREAT BRITAIN

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Dive into the British vibe! Discover prestigious universities like Cambridge and Oxford, catch a game in a lively pub, and laugh along with British humour. Explore bustling cities, stunning landscapes, and beautiful coastlines.

Visit vibrant London, chill at seaside resorts, or unwind in the peaceful countryside. Head north to Liverpool and Manchester, or up till Scotland for the wild Highlands and cultural Edinburgh. Go west to Wales for epic castles, Celtic culture, and thrilling rugby matches in Cardiff.



Find out more about all destinations and schools through our website





- TOP CITY -

# LONDON

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Discover the capital of pop culture! One of the world's most visited cities.

And it's no wonder why! Beyond the iconic red phone boxes, the royal family, and the famous underground, the city boasts centuries-old landmarks alongside innovative architecture. Book a theatre ticket or Premier League football match, enjoy contemporary art, ground-breaking music, literature, shops, design and much more!

## ARE YOU A MATCH?

*Music + Budget-friendly + Football*

- ✓ **London is Europe's largest melting pot**, encouraging social interaction with people wildly different from yourself.
- ✓ **The city's museums and galleries** vividly recount historical events that have influenced global history.
- ✓ **London's nightlife** serves to those who enjoy partying late into the night, offering endless entertainment options.





## MUST-KNOWS

- From the bohemian vibes of **Notting Hill** to the quirky culture of **Camden Town**, London's got something for everyone.
- Check out iconic spots like **Harry Potter's Leadenhall Market** and **The Beatles' Abbey Road Studios** for a taste of London's film and music legacy.
- Home to artists like **Amy Winehouse**, and bands like **Queen & The Clash**, London has rocked the global music scene for decades.







- TOP CITY -

# LIVERPOOL

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Step off the beaten path and into England's trendy music hotspot.

If you're looking for a taste of UK city life but don't fancy the mainstream spots, Liverpool is the perfect choice for you! You'll come for its alternative music culture and lovely city skyline, but you'll want to stay for its friendly locals and charming culture. Learning English in Liverpool is the best way to experience life "up north" and live an authentic experience in one of England's most attractive cities.

## MUST-KNOWS

- Liverpool is one of the most popular cities among students in the UK, making it a one-stop shop for exciting **budget-friendly nightlife, restaurants**, and chances to make **new friends**.
- The city is home to a unique and buzzing musical culture that can be found in any of its many live music venues — what else would you expect from the **birthplace of the Beatles?**
- Learning English in Liverpool will give you a taste of "**scouse**" English, the charming local accent unique to the North. Get ready to amaze your friends with **new slang and expressions!**
- Repeatedly voted as one of the **friendliest cities in the UK**, Liverpool prides itself on being welcoming and warm to visitors — making it the perfect place for you to make some English friends.





# IRELAND

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Countless movies, songs, stories, and paintings have been inspired by the beauty of Ireland, and once you arrive, it's not hard to see why. Whether it's the emerald, green rolling hills of the countryside, or the lively pubs filled with the music and laughter in the cities — Ireland has something for everyone!

In the South, you can find Ireland's most iconic cities, including the party capi

tal, Dublin, and the seaside, festival-filled Galway. When you travel to the north, you'll find the hidden gem of Belfast: home of the Titanic and the centre of Northern Irish history and culture.







- TOP CITY -

# DUBLIN

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**Jump into the English-speaking party capital of Europe.**

A small capital, with a huge reputation! This inviting and friendly city attracts over 35,000 international students each year, making it one of the most popular student capitals of Europe. Once you take a walk through its cobblestone streets, have a delicious meal in a warm pub, and spend the night listening to live music, you'll see why so many students choose to make the city their home! Study in Dublin to experience the fun Irish lifestyle, while making new friends and having the craic with friendly locals.

IT'S A MATCH

## ARE YOU A MATCH?

*Craic + Hospitality + International*

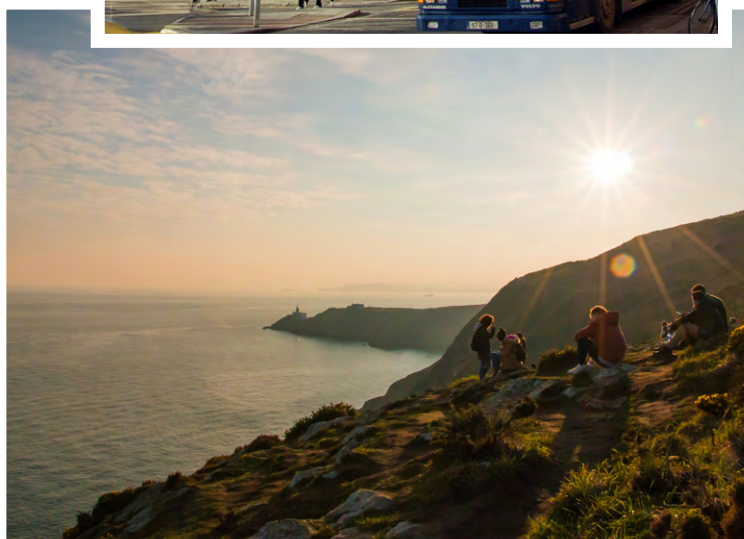
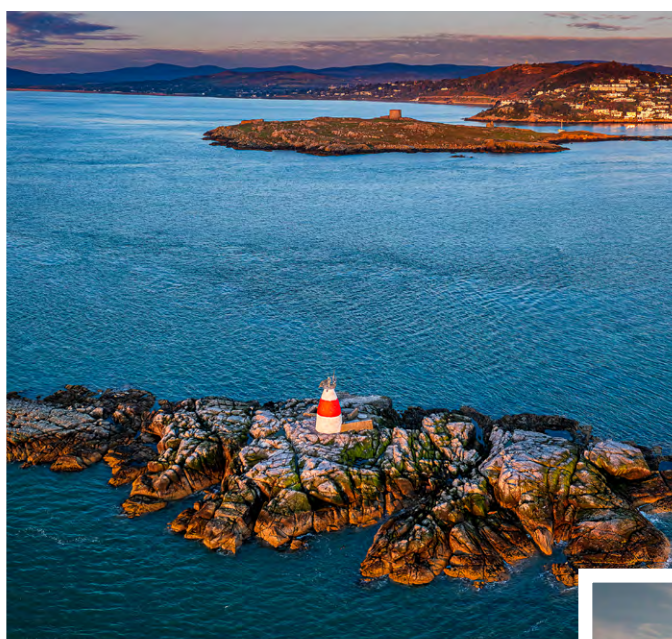
- ✓ The party culture in Dublin is legendary and there's a scene for everyone! Whether you're looking for a night-long party in one of its many **nightclubs**, a loud and rowdy time listening to live music in the **Temple Bar**, or a quiet one in a **warm pub** — **Dublin has you covered.**
- ✓ Speaking of music...Dublin's musical culture is legendary, spanning from modern hits to classics dating from as early as the **16th century**! Keep an ear open for "Molly Malone", the unofficial anthem of the city that has remained popular among **street musicians** since the early 20th century.





## MUST-KNOWS

- The limits of the city aren't the limit to what it has to offer! Just outside of the city, you can take a day trip to see the rolling hills and deep **lakes of Wicklow** or take a sea kayak to visit the friendly seals of **Dalkey Island**.
- Dublin is home to plenty of famous faces, ranging from classical novelists like **James Joyce, Oscar Wilde, and Bram Stoker** to modern stars like **U2**!





# MALTA

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Crystal clear Mediterranean Sea, a buzzing nightlife and student culture, and 7000 years of civilisation — all packed into one small country. Malta is a paradise for students hoping to soak up some culture and history while soaking up the sun, and when the sun goes down, the cities turn into party hubs, with popular bars and nightclubs opening across the island.

Lastly, as Malta is a country filled with students, you'll experience an international atmosphere and low cost of living wherever you go!



Gozo

St Paul's Bay

St Julian's

Valletta

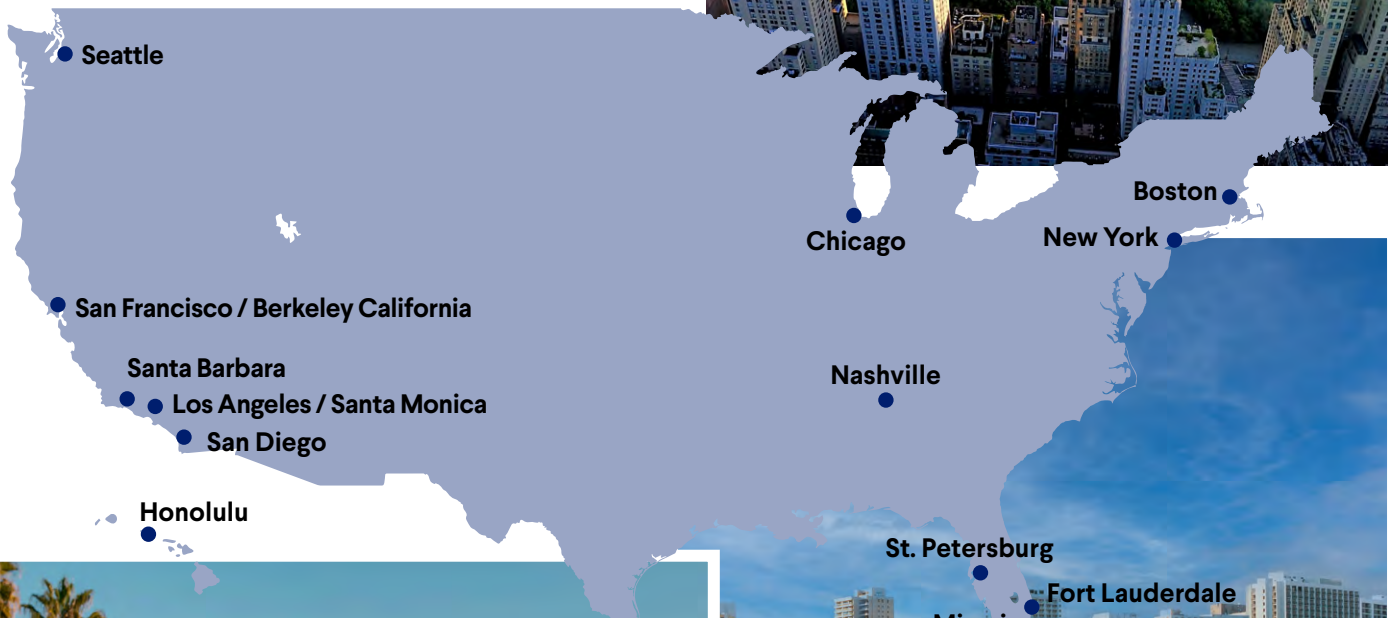


# UNITED STATES

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Live the life that you've seen on the big screen by taking a trip to the USA. The home of modern cinema, and the birthplace of cultural staples from blue jeans to cheeseburgers – the USA will amaze you both with its familiarity, and its magnificence!

This diverse country offers you a huge variety of cities, each with its own charm, culture, and surrounding natural beauty. Will you choose the bustling streets and impressive skyline of New York, the year-round sun and swaying palm trees of Honolulu, the sport-loving hub of Chicago, or any of our other 13 destinations in the USA?





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# NEW YORK

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## Take a bite out of the Big Apple!

This jumbled city of 200-plus nationalities really is humanity in a nutshell! Whether it's the 100-year-old Jewish delis of the Upper West Side, the otherworldly feeling of Chinatown, or the upscale cafes and restaurants of Manhattan. Travelling across NYC is like looking through a tapestry of different cultures, making it an exciting place to learn and practise English. Studying in the city that never sleeps means a life of constant entertainment and the potential to meet more people than you could in a lifetime anywhere else! Are you ready to take the exciting plunge into this unique way of life?

### ARE YOU A MATCH?

*Diversity + Food + Skyline*

- ✓ **New York City is one of the most cosmopolitan cities in the world**, meaning you can find the language, food, and culture of almost any country within its limits! Are you ready to explore them?
- ✓ The city is a sightseer's dream, as it's home to some of the most iconic spots in the USA, including the **Empire State Building**, **Statue of Liberty**, **Times Square**, the **Brooklyn Bridge**, and more!

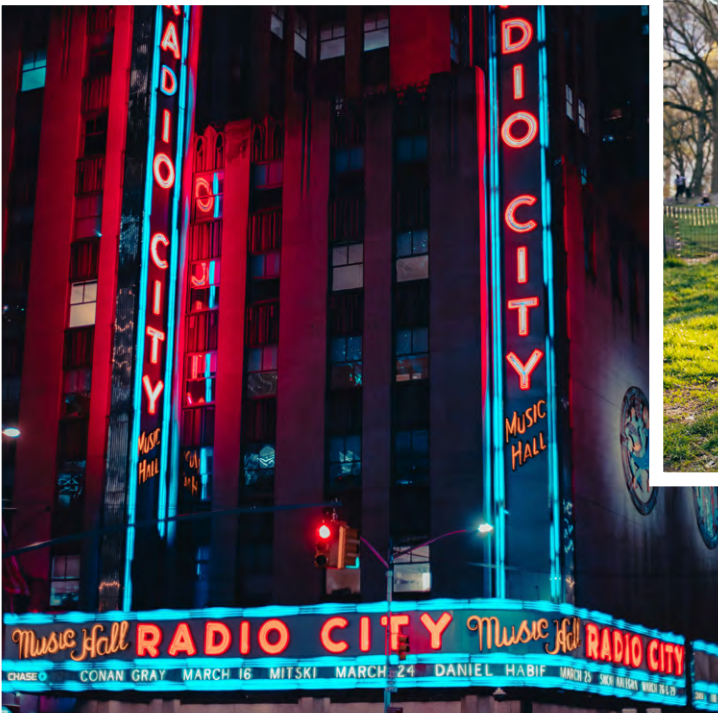
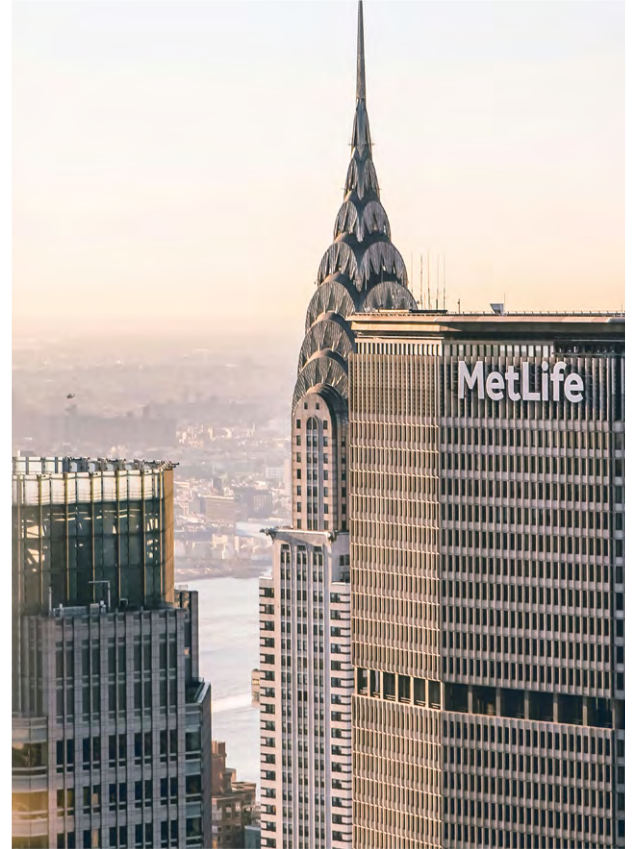
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## MUST-KNOWS

- Foodies in NYC are spoiled for choice, as **the city hosts restaurants from across the world and suits every budget**. Some estimates say it would take up to 23 years to visit every restaurant in the city!
- **New York City is a gem of culture** in a country already bursting with it! You could spend your entire trip **visiting museums** and still have more to see, while **Broadway** will give you the **best taste of American theatre** that you could ask for.







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# LOS ANGELES

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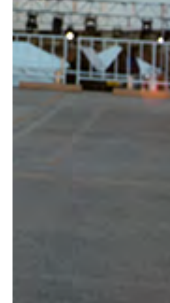
## Live the movie star life on the beaches of Los Angeles

The sprawling metropolis of Los Angeles is an ideal setting for a language course abroad – in this iconic city, you'll make your American dream come true, immersing yourself in California life. LA is a city of natural allure, with golden beaches and flower-carpeted hillsides under deep-blue skies. But urban beauty is also largely present, as LA celebrates artistic diversity – with street art in its trendy centre and pop-up galleries throughout the city. Live your best, uninhibited life in this paradise of creativity, where you can be the star of your own life's movie!

### ARE YOU A MATCH?

*Creativity + Waves + Sunshine*

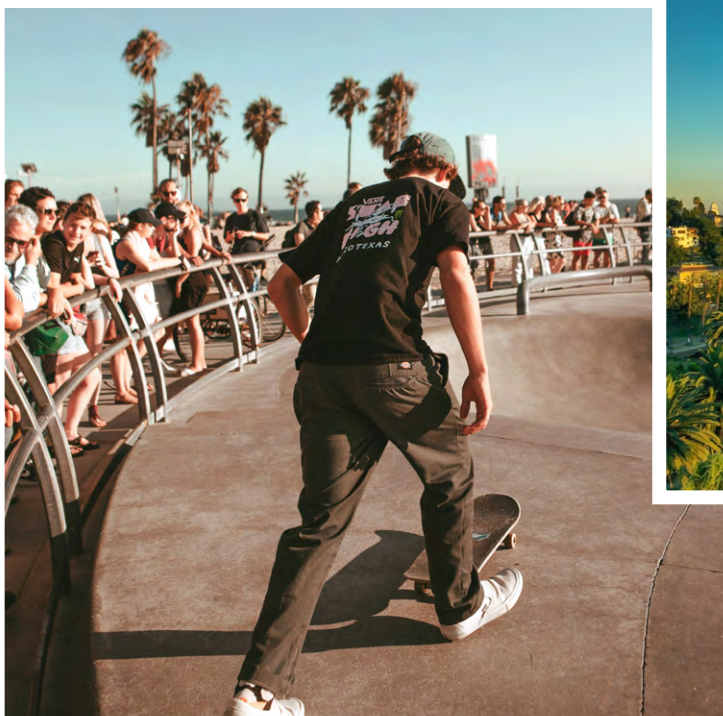
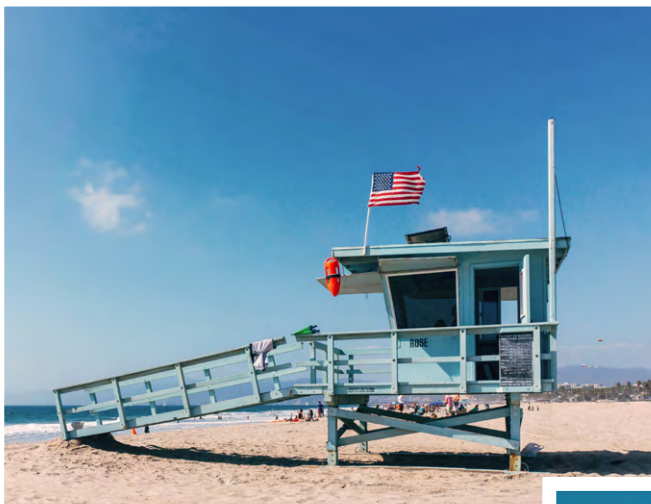
- ✓ **Los Angeles is the creative heart of the USA**, with some of its most famous music, TV shows, and movies coming from within the city. Take the opportunity to visit the sets of your favourite movies, the museums and galleries that inspired them, or even see the stars themselves if you're lucky!
- ✓ Beach culture is a cornerstone of LA life, and with **300 days of sunshine per year**, you'll have plenty of time to try it for yourself!





## MUST-KNOWS

- While many people know LA for its vibrant city centre, the city is also a great choice for nature lovers, as it has several large parks, including **Runyon Canyon**, which offers **160 acres of nature** and unbeatable views of the city.
- The food scene is a telltale of the Angelino culture — you'll find California's **best tacos**, the country's most authentic **Korean dishes** and one of the biggest concentrations of **vegan restaurants**!





# CANADA

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Its people are so warm that they don't mind the cold! With their famous hospitality and respect for nature, Canadians will make you feel right at home in their country. Canada offers you the perfect mix between the best of civilisation, and the best of nature. With amazing cities like trendy, multicultural Toronto, and scenic Vancouver, alongside famously beautiful nature.

Canada is the home of not one, but two popular languages: English and French, so no matter which of these languages you wish to learn, Canada will give you the option to practise!





- TOP CITY -

# TORONTO

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## Travel to Canada's trendy, waterfront megacity!

Toronto is a city that perfectly embodies the phrase “the best of both worlds”. Are you looking for vibrant nature, or bustling cityscapes? You'll find both in Toronto! Regarding food, are you wanting to try tasty regional staples, or are you a foodie of the world? It's just a matter of changing neighbourhoods when you're in Toronto. Lastly, when the day has come to an end, would you prefer a peaceful evening in a late-night coffee shop, or to dance the night away at a nightclub? Come to Toronto, and you can do both on the same night!

## MUST-KNOWS

- Toronto culture reflects that of Canada itself: **friendly, polite and warm**, combine that with its international diversity, and you have the perfect population to practise your language skills with.
- Toronto is home to an exciting **creative energy**, and you can sample it for yourself either in one of its many museums, or by touring the streets which have been claimed by local graffiti artists.
- The **passion for sports runs deep in Toronto** and you can join in the hype! If you're lucky enough to catch an **NBA game**, make sure to look out for famous locals like **Drake**, who frequent these events.
- If you need a break from the city's hustle and bustle, head over to **Toronto Island** and enjoy a unique haven of peace, just a stone's throw away.







- TOP CITY -

# VANCOUVER

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## Study in one of the world's most liveable cities!

Memorable cultural and outdoor activities framed by striking natural vistas... it's easy to fall for this ocean-fringed city. After all, where else can you ski in the morning and hit the beach in the afternoon? Vancouver sits as the most liveable city in North America, and among the highest ranked in the world year after year, making it an excellent choice for your home away from home!

## MUST-KNOWS

- Shopping in Vancouver is an experience like no other, as local **pop-up markets** are popular across the city. Make sure to visit the **Richmond Night Market** – the largest one of its kind in North America.
- You haven't really seen fireworks until you've experienced **Vancouver's Honda Celebration of Light!** The festival lights up the sky over English Bay for three nights at the end of July when three countries compete to wow Vancouver crowds, choreographing their spectacular displays to music.
- Vancouver is full of drink-and-dine delights. It boasts America's **best Asian cuisine**, as well as succulent local seafood.
- Vancouver is famously known as "**Hollywood North**". Many of your favourite movies and TV shows are or were filmed in and around the city, from **Twilight** to **Deadpool!**





# AUSTRALIA

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White sandy beaches, warm tropical sea, year-round sunshine, and famously unique wildlife — it's no wonder so many Australians spend much of their life outside. Whether you want to snorkel in the Great Barrier Reef, surf on the Gold Coast, climb up the Harbour Bridge in Sydney, or anything in between — Australia will give you that opportunity.

When you've had your fill of the country's beautiful outdoors, the cities offer unique adventures of their own! Combine intense sightseeing with relaxed beach days in Sydney, experience trendy nightlife in Brisbane, live the laid-back surfer life in Byron Bay, or so much more throughout the country!







- TOP CITY -

# SYDNEY

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## Where bustling metropolis meets friendly beach town

Spectacularly draped around its majestic harbour and beaches, Sydney has a visual wow factor like few other places. Sydney locals are laid-back and happy to share their long summers and mild winters, rock pools and beaches, and vibrant arts and culture scene with the rest of the world! What's more, with a high percentage of residents born overseas, the population is diverse, which makes it easy to meet people. The setting definitely couldn't be better: from the iconic shores of Bondi to the surfer-friendly Northern Beaches, Sydney's coastline is simply out of this world!

## MUST-KNOWS

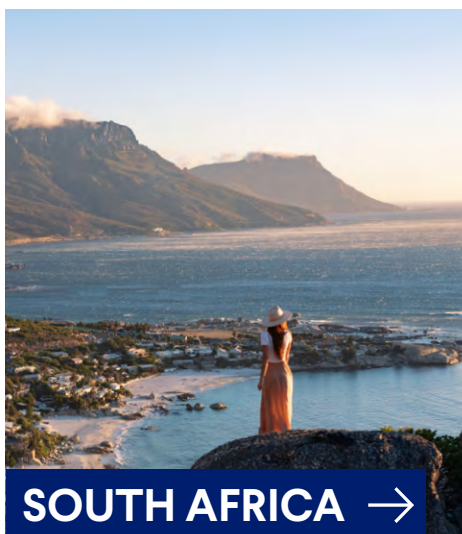
- Sydney is a surfer's paradise, with miles of coastline either side of it and the most famous beach in Australia, **Bondi Beach**, less than 30 minutes from the centre.
- One of Sydney's hidden gems is in the unlikely form of an abandoned reservoir. **Paddington Reservoir** was converted into a Garden in 2009 and now serves as an oasis of peace from the busy city.
- Just because you're in the city, doesn't mean you can't get a taste of nature! Take a breath of fresh air in the rugged **Blue Mountains** — the perfect spot for a **hike**, just an hour from Sydney.
- **Sydney Harbour** and its surrounding waters are home to a huge amount of impressive marine life. Hire a tour to spend a magical day watching **whales, dolphins**, or even **sharks**!





# ENGLISH IN THE REST OF THE WORLD

For students who want the ultimate adventure that you won't find in the ordinary travel guides, we offer a variety of destinations to learn English in the cities you may have least expected! From beautiful beach paradises to bustling megacities, each of these destinations offers you a unique perspective in the English language alongside a fascinating culture to explore. Escape the crowds and learn English while exploring a truly unique country with ESL!



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# SPAIN AND LATIN AMERICA

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From the musical streets of Buenos Aires, the ancient Mayan ruins in Yucatan, Mexico; Dominican Republic's beaches to Colombia's rainforests – Latin America is a cocktail of rhythms, flavours, cultures, and landscapes that together offer you an unforgettable experience... And the people? Super diverse and famously friendly.

Across the Atlantic, Spain brings flamenco, the Alhambra, and wild human towers in Catalonia. With Spanish, explore endless opportunities in Latin America and Spain, no matter where you study.





An aerial photograph of Valencia, Spain, showing the city's coastline, the Mediterranean Sea, and the historic city center. In the foreground, the stone ruins of the Valencia Cathedral are visible. The city extends along the coast with modern buildings and a long beach.

- TOP CITY -

# VALENCIA

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**Valencia, the best city to live in the world according to Forbes – and we agree!**

And it is no wonder, with its beautiful beaches, laid-back, super fun locals, amazing food, and awesome weather, this place is basically paradise. Wander through its charming old town, party at the vibrant carnivals, and check out the cool interactive museums. You're going to love it!

## MUST-KNOWS

- You got to try the **famous Paella**, because it started in this city. Dare to know its history.
- Valencians know how to party. Every **March**, they go all out with **Las Fallas festival**, mixing art and tradition into an epic party.
- Valencia is home to iconic art and culture hubs. **The City of Arts and Sciences**, the **Oceanographic aquarium** and the fine arts museum are total must-sees.
- Looking to relax by the **beach**? Valencia is the place for you! With a seemingly **endless coastline**, you have plenty of options to sunbathe both inside and outside the city.







# LEARN GERMAN

GERMANY

AUSTRIA

SWITZERLAND





# GERMANY, AUSTRIA AND SWITZERLAND

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German is an important language for students studying across Europe, and it comes alive when you study it with ESL! Study in Germany to pick up the language while soaking up its unique culture in buzzing student cities like Berlin or Freiburg.

If you're looking to connect with nature while still embracing a rich culture, both Austria and Switzerland offer great cities (Vienna and Zürich respectively) with amazing access to the Alps.







- TOP CITY -

# BERLIN

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## The city where everything is possible!

Berlin is a cool mix of history and modern vibes, renowned for iconic sights, lively culture, and laid-back atmosphere. The city is the biggest hub for start-ups in Europe, and thrives on diversity, creativity and trends, pulsing with art and music in theatres, clubs and its historic wall. Discover iconic sites like the Brandenburg Gate, relax in expansive parks, and savour its vibrant nightlife.

## MUST-KNOWS

- Beer lover or not, you'll find it hard to resist **German beers**; they just seem to have something for everyone, even those with a sweet tooth!
- Berliners and expats follow the credo 'live and let live' and put great emphasis on **personal freedom** and **a creative lifestyle**.
- In this city, they're all about **electronic beats** and **opera notes** – from highbrow to lowbrow there's tons of space for cultural expression.
- Art in Berlin is wild: over 100 artists left their mark on the famous **East Side Gallery** with messages of peace. Thousands of street art stories await you!







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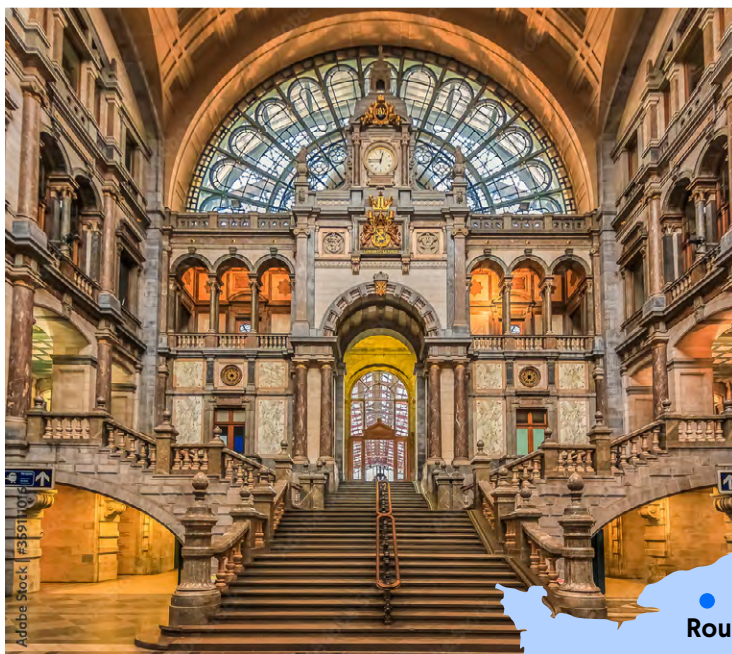


# FRENCH AROUND THE WORLD

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As one of the top languages in the world of cooking, politics, diplomacy, and art — French has inserted itself as one of the most important and widely used languages in the world. Studying it in Europe will let you learn it from its roots, either in the beautiful Alps of Switzerland, the cultural hub of France, or the political heart of Europe: Belgium.

You also have the option to study French further afield, either in the beautiful nature and trendy cities of Canada, or the warm tropical islands of Guadeloupe or Réunion Island.



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# LYON

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## Study in France's heart of culture!

Lyon is France's third largest city, and offers a wealth of enticing experiences and hotspots: outstanding museums, a dynamic cultural life, busy clubbing scenes, a thriving university and fashionable shopping streets. It is a city of unexpected views and sparkling water and can feel like a miniature Paris, with its bridges, its Métro and its Haussmann-style apartment buildings looming over the stone banks of the river.

## MUST-KNOWS

- If you're a true food lover, you should know Lyon is the place to indulge yourself in the very best of French cuisine. Make sure to try regional specialties like **têtons de Vénus** (pike dumplings) or **coussins de Lyon** (marzipan bites).
- Lyon's lovely weather encourages the outdoors, and Lyon caters with a high number of large **gardens** and **smaller city parks**.
- Since 1946, **Les Nuits de Fourvière** has been dedicated to the performing arts and endeavoured to let different art forms share the stage. The festival presents about **60 shows** for you to enjoy in **June** and **July**.
- Take a weekend road trip to neighbouring **Péruges!** Considered to be one of the most beautiful towns in France, this village is found in a pleasant pastoral environment, perched on a hilltop overlooking the **Ain River**.







# LEARN ITALIAN





# ITALY

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Are you a pizza lover? Italy's your dream spot. Not a fan? No worries, there's plenty more to explore in the Italian Boot. This breathtaking country is all about rich history, art, fashion, and living "la dolce vita". Rome alone will blow your mind with ancient ruins, theatres, and baths.

Check out the picturesque coastal towns, the Tuscany's charming villages or the southern coast's olive groves grown in volcanic soil. You'll be wowed by all the regions in this Mediterranean gem.







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# ROME

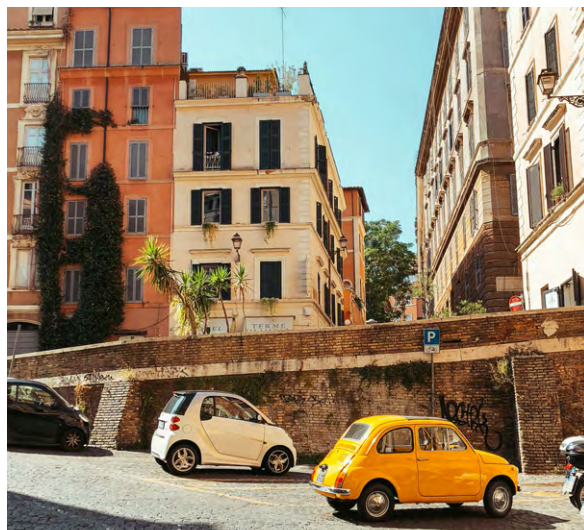
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## The eternal city – an open air museum, begging to be explored

Rome is where two sides of Italy collide. The merging point between the North and South of the country – Rome is where funky bohemian neighbourhoods like Trastevere rub borders with incredible monuments to the city's historical roots. This city is packed with history, relaxing green spots and romantic vibes. Did you know Rome has a museum dedicated to pasta and over 900 churches? It's a mix of the old and the new, the sacred and the everyday. Come discover and fall in love with Rome!

## MUST-KNOWS

- Rome's like a huge open-air history museum you can walk through. **The Roman Forum** and the breathtaking **Colosseum** are a must.
- The city is a capital fashion. Feel like you're on a catwalk walking through its designer boutiques and annual events like **Rome Fashion Week**.
- The Vatican is a must-see with the mind-blowing **Sistine Chapel** by Michelangelo. Oh, and Rome's got over **280 fountains**, including the famous **Trevi Fountain** you got to toss a coin into!
- Also, don't be surprised if you hear "**Ahó!**" instead of the usual "**Ciao!**" or "**Buongiorno!**" It's just how they say hello in the local dialect (Romanesco)!







# LEARN PORTUGUESE

BRAZIL

PORTUGAL





# PORTUGAL AND BRAZIL

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Did you know that Portuguese is in the top 10 most spoken languages of the world? Even though Brazil and Portugal are separated by the Atlantic, they're connected by their friendly people, sharing this musical language.

Portugal's got castles, grand boulevards and some of Europe's finest beaches. Meanwhile, Brazil marches to its own Samba beat. Think wild Amazon adventures, colourful carnival nights in Rio or Salvador, and majestic beaches like Copacabana. Which country is calling your name?







- TOP CITY -

# LISBON

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## Enter another dimension in the capital of street art

In no time, you'll see that Lisbon is a colourful postcard city packed with vintage vibes and Instagrammable spots. Lisbon's got art in its DNA. Don't skip out on a Fado show, check out those amazing tiles (azulejos), and soak in the killer views from all the stunning viewpoints. Trust us, there are tons!

## MUST-KNOWS

- Riding the Lisbon tram is a total vibe. By the way, everyone's buzzing about **line 28**, it's **the one to catch!**
- For a fairy-tale vibe, hit up **Sintra**, just 40-minutes away from Lisbon by train. **Mountains, forests, and palaces** straight out of a dream!
- You can't miss the famous **pasteis de nata**, they're legendary! Hop on a 30-minute bus ride from Lisbon to **Belém** to discover this legendary pastry shop.
- And there's more... in Lisbon you'll find the **oldest bookstore** in the world, almost 300 years old. You must come and write your own **#ESLstories**.







# LEARN JAPANESE



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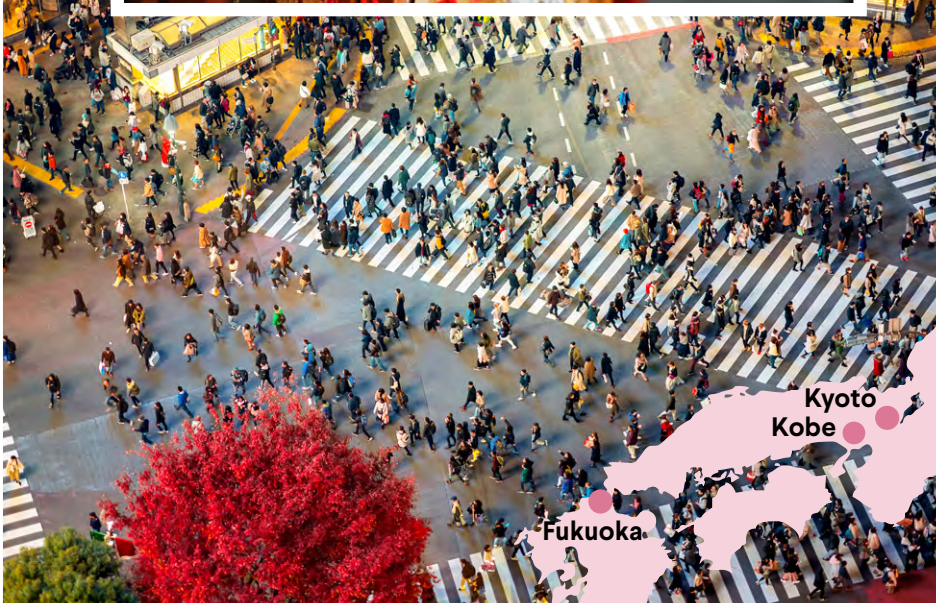
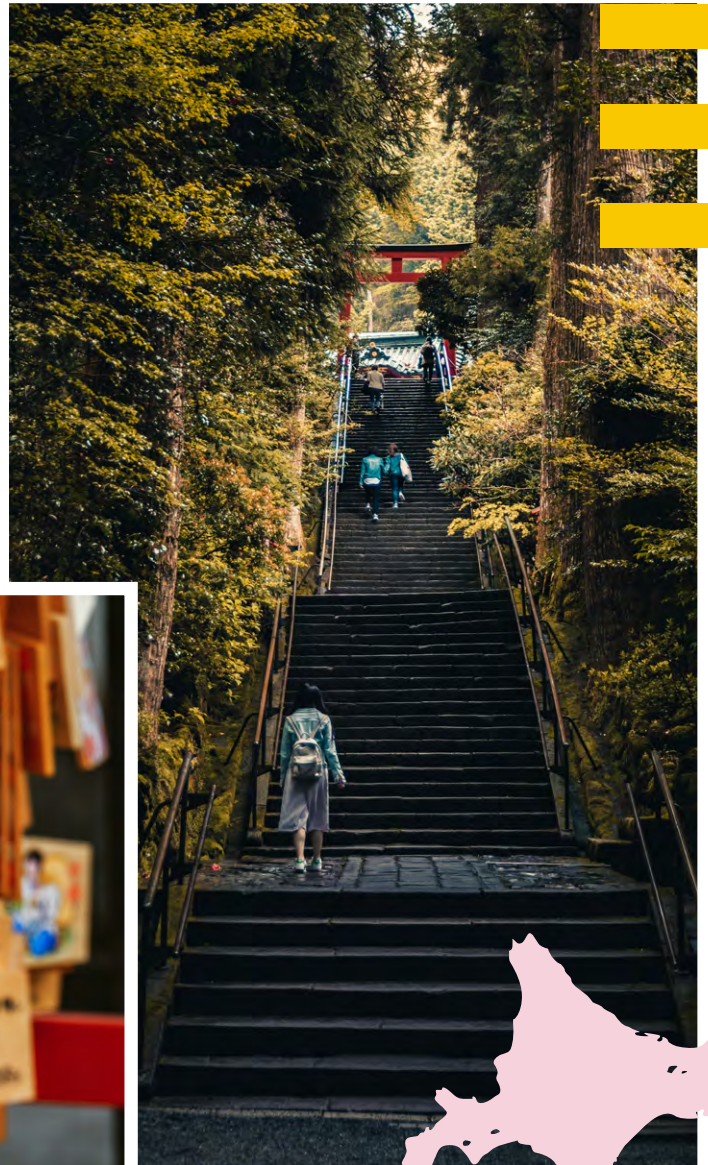


# JAPAN

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Kon'nichiwa! You will never be lost in translation in Japan, a country where nature and technology merge to create an unparalleled experience. Imagine crossing the world's busiest crossing, the Shibuya, towering mountain peaks, and landscapes so breathtaking they could be paintings.

The sushi and the ramen are a culinary adventure with mouthwatering flavours, and you can't miss their renowned manga and anime shops. Japan's culture is a rich collage of traditions both ancient and modern, waiting for you to explore and experience firsthand.







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# TOKYO

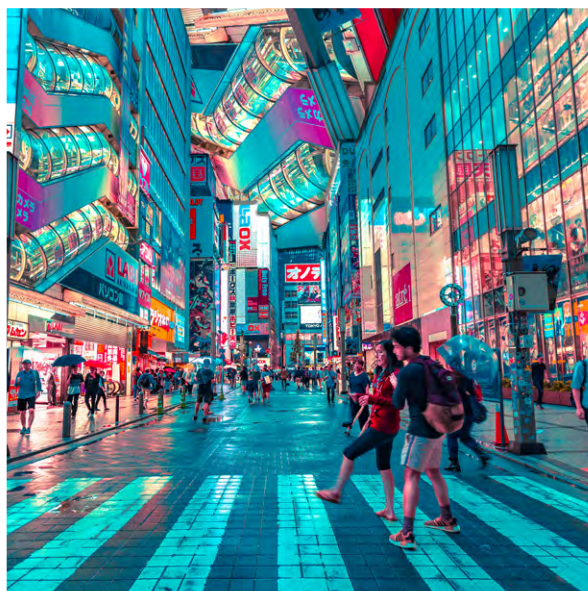
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Welcome to the future and the largest city in the world.

High-tech, neon lights, ancient temples, and street food to die for. You could spend years in Tokyo and still find something new every day. Imagine sipping matcha in a themed cafe, soaking in the cherry blossoms, zooming around on bullet trains, and even testing out those fancy heated toilets. It's a whole vibe, right? Get ready to blow up your TikTok with some epic content that'll leave everyone speechless!

## MUST-KNOWS

- Take an exciting trip to **Akihabara**, where you can dive into a world of video games, including the coolest retro classics.
- Fun fact: Tokyo has the **most Michelin-starred restaurants in the world**. Just another reason why the food scene here is unbeatable.
- Get ready for a cultural overload in **Harajuku**. It's the ultimate spot to see diverse styles mash up and enjoy the best of **Japanese fashion**.
- Ever thought about staying in a **capsule hotel**? Tokyo's space-saving solution is a must-try for any visitor.







# LEARN CHINESE (MANDARIN)

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China is massive, over 10 million square kilometres! Get lost in its valleys, monuments (the Great Wall is just one!), and ancient dynasties. Beijing, the Ming dynasty's capital, is packed with history, and the Forbidden City is a must-see!

Taiwan is a tech hotspot with cities like Taipei, while its east coast is wild and rugged, thanks to millennia of tectonic activity. Head further south to Singapore, a glamorous city with unique cuisine and amazing green spaces.

Learning Mandarin, the language spoken by more than a billion people, opens the door to all these incredible places!



CHINA

Beijing

Shanghai

Taipei

TAIWAN

Singapore

SINGAPORE





# LEARN KOREAN



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# SOUTH KOREA

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South Korea's rise is crazy impressive! This small country has become a major player in Asia, pulling in fans for K-pop and traditional food. While you're here for your Korean course, dive into the bustling cities and soak in the stunning nature.

After being closed off for ages, South Korea is now one of the richest nations, all while keeping its history and peaceful way of life intact. Even their flag symbolizes universal harmony and the core elements of life.



Seoul

Busan



- TOP CITY -

# SEOUL

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## A city of technology and traditions.

Seoul is a hotspot for innovators, merging futuristic vibes with rich history. Its evolving skyline coexists with cultural treasures and deep-rooted Korean traditions. Explore palaces, temples, cutting-edge designs, and mountain trails, all grooving to a K-Pop beat. As a 24-hour city, Seoul's got whatever you need, anytime you need it!

## MUST-KNOWS

- The “**K**” in **K-pop** stands for “**Korean**,” and Seoul is its vibrant heart! Delve into the world of K-pop icons like **BTS** or **Blackpink**, they're all part of this city's music scene.
- Discover the **fashion scene** where trendy boutiques and stylish malls redefine shopping. Seoul offers a fashion paradise for every style-seeker.
- Experience **Seoul's nightlife**, where lively **clubs** and **cosy bars** create unforgettable evenings. From neon-lit streets to hidden speakeasies, there's something for everyone to enjoy.
- Seoul is a **hi-tech wonderland with super-fast internet** and tech giants. Even with 25 million people, the city runs smooth and easy, could you see yourself fitting in?





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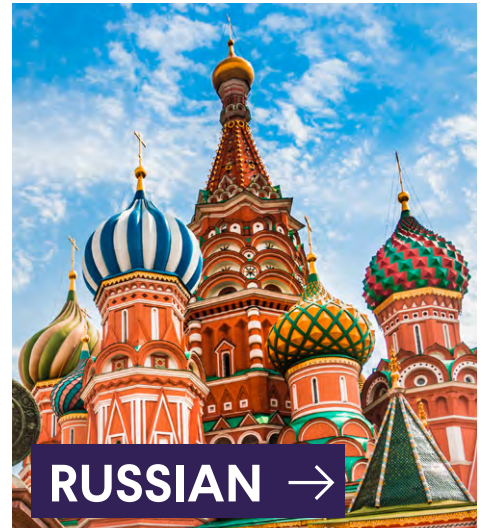
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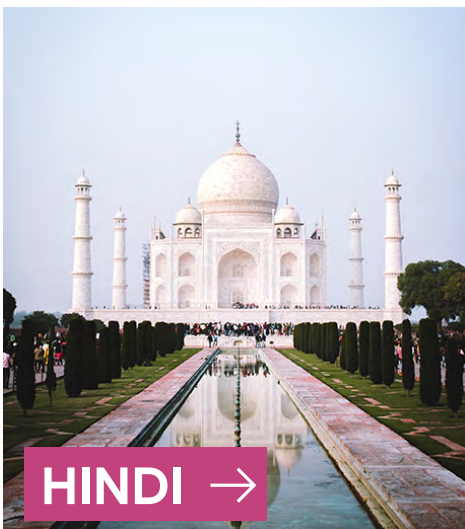
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# A GAP YEAR EXPERIENCE ABROAD

## How Anne's experience abroad shaped the rest of her life!

Anne Wytzes, ESL alumni from the Netherlands. Travelled when she was 18 to the Gold Coast, Australia, and came back confident, brave, multilingual, and is now working in an international company!



### ABOUT ME

MEET: **Anne Wytzes**

COUNTRY OF CHOICE

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FAVORITE ACTIVITY: **Surfing**

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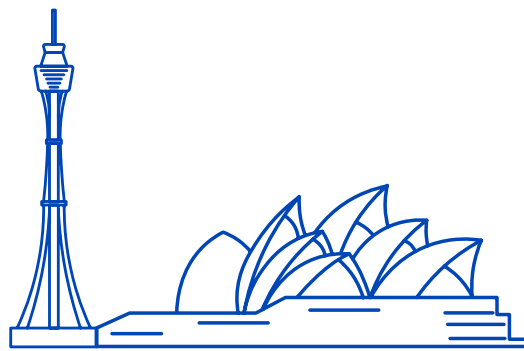
*The Gap Year really changed me in a lot of ways. I wouldn't change it for anything.  
PS: Bring sunscreen!*

*"It was an amazing experience that I have used as building block for the rest of my life"*





# ANNE'S ESL STORY



## WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO GO ON GAP YEAR?

I wasn't ready to immediately start studying after high school, so I decided to take my time and said: let's take a gap year!

## CAN YOU DESCRIBE A TYPICAL DAY OR WEEK DURING A GAP YEAR?

I studied on the Gold Coast: Surfers Paradise! We would wake up, go to school, and have our English course, then I took some business courses. When we would finish school, we would make plans to go to the beach nearby.

## WOULD YOU SAY THE GAP YEAR CHANGED YOU IN ANY WAY?

I was 18 and it helped me grow a lot. It gave me challenges and joy, but I also loved it! I got inspired, and I decided to do my bachelor's in English, which was a no-brainer after my gap year. However, I don't know if I would have even tried it if I hadn't gone abroad. In my life now, I speak more English than Dutch, and I'm looking to keep spending time abroad.

## WHAT DID YOU LIKE THE MOST ABOUT TRAVELLING ALONE?

If you're on your own you're going to ask more questions, and you're going to approach others in the most random places and, for me, that's where most of my connections grew!

## DO YOU RECOMMEND ESL?

ESL were super handy, they really helped me along the process and with my stay. It gave me some stability, which helped me and my parents, even though I went to a place far away.





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