

2015



Work Placement Programme

Learn English in the heart of Ireland

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Welcome

Located in Athlone in Co. Westmeath in the heart of Ireland, the Shannon Academy of English offers a range of year-round, multicultural, English language courses and programmes to students from a number of countries.

Our location in a vibrant Irish town, along with our programme of structured classes and the exposure to Irish life and culture that we share with our students, makes Shannon Academy one of the most invigorating language schools in Ireland.

As well as learning and improving language skills, we aim to give our students a real feel for 'Irishness' and Irish culture while studying here.

In addition, we strive to ensure that every student we teach is made to feel part of our community during their stay in Athlone.



Work Placement Programme

The work placement programme at Shannon Academy provides an excellent opportunity for students to improve their English language skills in an Irish workplace environment that typically corresponds to their course of studies in their home country and to their interests.



Programme Highlights

- The work placement programme can run for a minimum of 2 weeks to a maximum of 12 weeks.
- Students have the option to stay with host families or in self-catering houses/apartments.
- During week one, students take part in classes each morning from 10:00 a.m. - 13.15 p.m.
- During week one, students participate in afternoon activities.
- All programmes are tailor-made for this stay, and companies can choose their own activities from a selection provided by Shannon Academy.
- Shannon Academy selects work placements for the students based on the students' current studies and interests.
- Students are accompanied to their work placement for an introduction prior to their start date.
- Student placements are assessed throughout the stay.
- Students are provided with assistance in completing the relevant paperwork needed to certify their placements.
- On completion of the course, students are presented with a certificate.



Work Placement Programme

Sample Timetable

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ARRIVAL: Meet with host families.	Morning 10.00-13.15: English classes	Morning 10.00-13.15: English classes	Morning 10.00-13.15: English classes	Morning 10.00-13.15: English classes	Morning 10.00-13.15: English classes	Day Trip Visit to the Cliffs of Moher and Galway city
	Afternoon Athlone town treasure hunt and walking tour	Afternoon Visit Athlone Castle	Afternoon Athlone adventure and boat trip	Afternoon Game of bowling in Athlone Leisure Centre.	Afternoon Trip to the cinema	
Week 2						
Day Trip Day trip to Connemara. Visit to Kylemore Abbey and walled gardens followed by Killary cruise on Ireland's only fjord.	Work experience	Work experience	Work experience	Work experience	Work experience	Day Trip Visit to Dublin city
	Evening: Group activity					
Week 3						
Free day	Work experience	Work experience	Work experience	Departure day.		



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Activities and Fun

Shannon Academy is about much more than just learning English. Fun activities and cultural experiences enrich a student's stay in Ireland and help them learn English in a fun and natural way.

- ✦ A varied programme of afternoon activities and local visits is organised from Monday to Friday.
- ✦ Activities can include gaelic football, hurling, archery, arts and crafts, swimming and dance.
- ✦ Excursions can include boat trips on the river Shannon and Lough Ree, a trip to Clonmacnoise ancient monastic site, a day out in Galway city and /or Dublin city.

Accommodation

Students stay with carefully selected Irish families and take part in Irish family life for the duration of their stay. Host-family accommodation is on a full-board basis - breakfast, packed lunch and dinner.



Programme Fees

Course price includes:

- ✦ Registration fee
- ✦ Arranging and supervising suitable work placements assisting with required paperwork
- ✦ Materials
- ✦ Tuition
- ✦ Activities
- ✦ Accommodation and meals

Why Choose Us?

- ✓ All programmes at Shannon Academy are tailor-made to fit a client's needs.
- ✓ Our students, organisations, teachers and service providers are all made to feel members of the "Shannon Academy Community".
- ✓ We aim to deliver our courses in a fun and enthusiastic manner and provide a positive, friendly and safe environment in which to learn English.
- ✓ Our proximity to Ireland's national attractions allows us to provide excellent activity-based social excursion programmes.
- ✓ We offer high-quality, host-family accommodation in warm and friendly households.

We have been working with the Shannon Academy for five years and we will continue our partnership for the next few years. Our students really enjoyed the exchange with their tutors..... The Shannon Academy is a place where students and teachers can meet other groups from different countries. Caoimhe and her team are always pleased to help us, the atmosphere is relaxed and also suitable for working activities. They are happy to tell us about their way of life! We are in touch with them all year round, especially for St Patrick's Day.

*Patricia Miles, teacher and work experience coordinator
Brittany, France*

"Well organised, highly reliable and always aiming for excellence in teaching, Shannon Academy is a wonderful partner and guide for all those who want to learn English and enjoy a marvellous experience in the heart of Ireland."

*Marcella Fiori, Group Leader,
Sardinia, Italy*

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