



# UK Education Taster Programme

Canterbury, UK | 3 weeks | Summer 2012

Experience studying A level, International Baccalaureate and University Foundation in the UK before committing



Suitable for 15-17yrs old who have yet to enrol on a programme of study at  
A level/International Baccalaureate/Foundation level

Broad subject syllabus covering Maths and Humanities, Science and Arts, Language and Literature

Introduction to Oxbridge and Russell Group universities - Mock interviews

English language - Academic study - Skills workshops

Comprehensive social programme - University Open Days and Tours

This unique, tailored programme designed especially for international students includes the following areas:

✔ **Learn about studying in the UK**

Meet with past and present students to find out whether the UK is right for you. Your lessons will be taught in the style that is typical of the UK education system so you get to experience independent research methods, working as a team and discussion-based assignments.

✔ **Discover which subjects and qualification are right for you**

In addition to your bespoke one-to-one academic counselling session, you will gain exposure to different subjects, projects and extra-curricular activities to discover where your skills and interests lie. We will then match your strengths to the most suitable subjects for your preferred profession and recommend whether a focused or broad-based qualification would suit you best.

✔ **Developing the 'whole' person beyond the class-room**

Introduction to 'Creativity, Action and Service' (CAS) and 'Theory of Knowledge'(ToK).

✔ **Study tours of prestigious universities**

Visit prestigious universities such as Oxford and Cambridge as well as renowned Russell Group universities such as London School of Economics and University College London. Learn from and speak with university students to find out what it is really like to study for a degree in the UK.

✔ **Critical thinking skills**

Learn to review evidence, form a judgment and present a reasoned argument and counter-argument.

✔ **Analytical thinking skills**

Learn to use logic to gather and analyse information in order to draw trends and solve problems.

✔ **Brain training and memory recall skills**

Use proven techniques that can help you to work smarter and learn more effectively in the same amount of time

✔ **Interview question practice**

Using your newly developed critical and analytical thinking skills, you will learn how to answer the toughest interview questions (such as those asked at Oxford or Cambridge). Remember, there is no right or wrong answer!

## Programme outcomes:

1. You will develop a greater understanding of your own abilities, skills and interests which will help to determine the **most appropriate subjects and qualification** for you – whether that is A level, International Baccalaureate Diploma or University Foundation Programme
2. You will be able to answer tough interview questions such as the following:
  - How many grains of sand are there in the world? (Physics, Oxford)
  - Would you rather be a novel or a poem? (English, Oxford)
  - How would you poison someone without the police finding out? (Medicine, Cambridge)
  - If a wife had expressed distaste for it previously, would her husband's habit of putting marmalade in his egg at breakfast be grounds for divorce? (Law, Cambridge)
3. You will have experience of producing a **Personal Statement** to increase your chances of being accepted by a top UK university
4. You will know whether the UK is the right destination for you

WEEK 1														
DAY	8:00 - 8:40	8:50 - 9:40	9:40 - 10:30	10:45 - 11:35	11:35 - 12:25	12:25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.15	2:15 - 5:30	5:30 - 6:30	SOCIAL ACTIVITIES				
SUNDAY	BREAKFAST							LUNCH		DINNER		Evening meal		
MONDAY			Registration and Induction		Presentation Difference between A levels, International Baccalaureate and University Foundation and how to choose the right one to suit you							Cultural Activities Orientation tour of Canterbury		Evening entertainment
TUESDAY			Intensive Academic English	Maths	Sociology	Psychology	Intensive Academic English					Sports & Activities		Evening entertainment
WEDNESDAY			Intensive Academic English	Business & Tourism	Media Studies	Chemistry	Physics					University preparation Introduction to Oxford, Cambridge and other leading UK universities including what universities look for		Evening entertainment
THURSDAY			ICT	ICT	Personal, Health, Social and Education programme	Biology	Intensive Academic English					Art		Evening entertainment
FRIDAY			Law	Geography	World Literature	Intensive Academic English	Maths					Drama		Evening entertainment
SATURDAY	London excursion including trips to Russell Group university campuses including LSE, Imperial College London and University College London													
SUNDAY	Free time													

WEEK 2														
DAY	8:00 - 8:40	8:50 - 9:40	9:40 - 10:30	10:45 - 11:35	11:35 - 12:25	12:25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.15	2:15 - 5:30	5:30 - 6:30	SOCIAL ACTIVITIES				
MONDAY	BREAKFAST		Maths	Business & Tourism	Creativity, Action, Service (CAS) & Theory of Knowledge (ToK)	International Relations	Business & Tourism	LUNCH		DINNER		Cultural Activities History & British Culture	Evening entertainment	
TUESDAY			Intensive Academic English	Maths	Sociology	Psychology	Intensive Academic English					Sports & Activities		Evening entertainment
WEDNESDAY			Intensive Academic English	Business & Tourism	Media Studies	Chemistry	Physics					University preparation Brain training and memory techniques		Evening entertainment
THURSDAY			ICT	ICT	Personal, Health, Social and Education programme	Biology	Intensive Academic English					Art		Evening entertainment
FRIDAY			Law	Geography	World Literature	Intensive Academic English	Maths					Drama		Evening entertainment
SATURDAY			Excursion to Cambridge or Oxford including university tours and river punting											
SUNDAY	Free time													

WEEK 3														
DAY	8:00 - 8:40	8:50 - 9:40	9:40 - 10:30	10:45 - 11:35	11:35 - 12:25	12:25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.15	2:15 - 5:30	5:30 - 6:30	SOCIAL ACTIVITIES				
MONDAY	BREAKFAST		Maths	Business & Tourism	Creativity, Action, Service (CAS) & Theory of Knowledge (ToK)	International Relations	Business & Tourism	LUNCH		DINNER		University preparation UCAS and writing a Personal Statement	Evening entertainment	
TUESDAY			Intensive Academic English	Maths	Sociology	Psychology	Intensive Academic English					University preparation Getting through the Oxbridge interview		Evening entertainment
WEDNESDAY			Intensive Academic English	Business & Tourism	Media Studies	Chemistry	Physics					University preparation Mock interviews		Evening entertainment
THURSDAY			ICT	ICT	Personal, Health, Social and Education programme	Biology	Intensive Academic English					Art		Evening entertainment
FRIDAY			Law	Geography	World Literature	Intensive Academic English	Maths					Drama		Evening entertainment
SATURDAY			Departure											

This sample timetable is illustrative and is subject to change. We reserve the right to amend this three week schedule without prior notice.

## WHO IS IT FOR?

- **15yr-17yr old international students who have yet to start A Levels, International Baccalaureate or Foundation**, and who would like to explore a broad range of subjects and activities to identify the right qualification for them.

## ABOUT THE PROGRAMME:

- **3 week** academic and social programme
- **Dates available are:**
  - 8th July 2012 (Sunday PM arrival) to 28th July 2012 (Saturday AM departure) or
  - 29th July 2012 (Sunday PM arrival) to 18th August 2012 (Saturday AM departure)
- **Lessons** are delivered at CATS College Canterbury, 68 New Dover Road, Canterbury, Kent CT1 3LQ
- **Accommodation** is included
- **Meals** are included (breakfast, lunch and dinner)

## REQUIREMENTS:

- **Minimum English standard:** Equivalent to IELTS 4.0+ / intermediate level
- Genuine motivation to succeed

## PRICE:

- **£3,300** for the 3 week programme (includes airport transfers, accommodation and food)

## WAYS TO APPLY:

- **Face to face** via your Education Agent
- **Online** [www.catscollege.com/ukeducation](http://www.catscollege.com/ukeducation)
- **Email** [admissions@catscollege.com](mailto:admissions@catscollege.com)
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