



**EVEREST  
LANGUAGE  
SCHOOL**



**LEARNING TOGETHER, FROM  
THE FIRST STEP TO THE TOP**

# ABOUT EVEREST

## Learning together, from the first step to the top

Learning a new language, like climbing a mountain, is an exciting venture filled with all sorts of challenges. Everest Language School invites you to join us for a brand new adventure in language education in Dublin.

We open our doors in 2015 with a fresh approach to language teaching and learning. Everest is the brainchild of three teachers who wanted to create a school which primarily focuses on students' individual learning styles and help them to learn language in the most efficient way possible. Having worked in language schools in Dublin and abroad over the last decade we realised that a more interactive student-centered approach to language learning was needed.

Our Director of Studies works with Trinity College Dublin to conduct research on the psychology and neuroscience behind second language acquisition. In doing so we collect data from our students on their language history and background, on their social background, their motivation, even their beliefs about their abilities to learn a new language successfully. We analyse this data and use it to help us build models of successful language learners and learning environments. This helps us to advise students on small changes they could make both at school and in their lives outside of the classroom, and even once their language course with us has ended, to ensure that they achieve and maintain their learning goals.

## THE TEAM



**Rob McComish**

SCHOOL DIRECTOR

“At Everest we can show you that you can achieve your goals, pass that exam, get that job, learn to speak more fluently, and have a great time while you do it.”



**María Lago**

OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

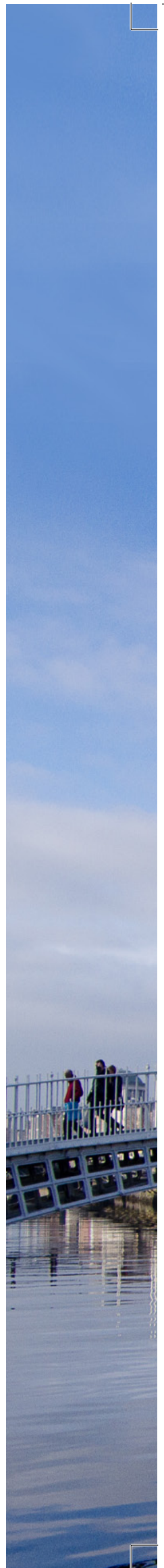
“Studying abroad is a unique experience I'd recommend to everyone. Don't be afraid of taking the step, our team is here to make sure you get the most out of your stay and to help you along the way.”



**Anne-Marie Connolly**

DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

“It's mutually beneficial - Our research allows us to teach language in the most effective way to our students and our students teach us how language is learned through the research”





# ABOUT DUBLIN

It's a well-known fact that Dublin is a city full of history. It has been home to some of the great writers (Joyce, Wilde and Beckett, to name a few) of the last hundred years, making it the obvious choice for English language learners. But Dublin is not a city stuck in the past. After emerging from the recession, Dublin has suddenly become one of Europe's most vibrant and exciting cities for young people.

Whether you are interested in clubbing or culture, kite-surfing or kayaking, traditional music or artisan markets, Dublin is the city for you. It seems that every week there is another festival in Dublin giving you the chance to experience food, music, theatre, dance and art from around the world.

Studying in Everest's city centre school you will experience all that Dublin has to offer on a daily basis.

While Dublin has become a vibrant cosmopolitan city, the magical, picturesque Ireland you have seen in The Vikings, Harry Potter and Game of Thrones still waits to be explored. Ireland is a small island and in a short trip you can experience its breathtaking nature in places like the Cliffs of Moher, Giant's Causeway, Glendalough and The Ring of Kerry. You can experience the history and culture first-hand by drinking a pint of locally brewed beer and listening to traditional music in pubs that haven't changed in centuries.





What language do you talk to yourself in when you are cooking, or getting dressed?

Which language do you express anger, affection, even road rage in?

Which language do you use in your work and education?



## ABOUT BILINGUAL BRAINS

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*“The knowledge of two languages is greater than the sum of their parts”* - Ellen Bialystok

Learning a new language has many many advantages, like being able to do business on the international market, having exciting travel opportunities, making new friends and learning about world culture.

But it is also interesting to think about the ways that learning a new language changes the way that you think and the ways that your brain processes information. Studies have shown that bilingual brains are stronger because managing two languages in one brain provides mental exercise that trains the executive control system and keeps the brain healthy.

At Everest we collect data to learn more about the ways that learning a new language changes the brain. We are interested in

studying all of the different ways that language learning happens so we will ask you lots of questions about your language history and your learning environment in and outside of our school.

These questions will help us to build up models of types of language learners and to understand which factors best predict successful language learning outcomes. The data we collect will help us to shape our curriculum, methods, advice and even our social programme to make sure that you are in the best possible environment to acquire a new language.

# ABOUT OUR COURSES

At Everest Language School all classes are taught using a communicative methodology; this means you will spend your time in class improving your speaking and listening skills as well as focusing on the necessary key skills to pass exams, get into university and get a job. Classes happen in a comfortable stimulating environment in which games, movement, colour, music and technology are incorporated into lesson plans to ensure that you learn in an alert, enjoyable, multisensory fashion.

## General English

At Everest, General English courses (G.E 20) run Monday-Friday (9am-1.15pm). Classes are lively and upbeat drawing from a range of authentic materials that facilitate real-life language practice. Key skills in speaking, listening, reading, writing and pronunciation are the focus of each class. Acquisition of grammar, idiomatic expressions and linguistic structure are supported by fun, energetic activities that will allow you to speak like a native in no time!

## Exam Preparation

We specialise in preparing students for the FCE, CAE, IELTS and PET. As with our GE classes, exam classes run Monday-Friday (9am-1.15pm). Exam classes incorporate a structured development of exam-specific skills utilising a communicative methodology and focusing on acquisition of language in an authentic, upbeat and enjoyable environment. Daily supplemental materials such as practice exam papers and online resources will be provided to exam students to ensure their success.

## Modern Languages

At Everest we open our doors to a multitude of modern languages and offer Spanish, French and Italian classes. We are a multicultural hub, benefiting from intercultural exchanges in food, music, drama and traditions from around the world as well as extending our research to study learners of many languages besides English.



## How do we use our research to improve our courses?

Based on years of experience and the psychological and neuropsychological research conducted by our Director of Studies, we have developed a syllabus that goes above and beyond the standard.

The in-house research at Everest will be mutually beneficial to us and our students as it permits us to consistently revise and re-examine our methods and materials. This allows us to constantly improve our academic syllabus and social programme to meet the needs of all our students.



# BOOKING PROCESS



Are you ready to climb to the top with our experienced team? Come and learn English with us and see the world from a new perspective. Joining Everest will not only give you the opportunity of becoming

bilingual but you will also be part of cutting edge research on how the brains learns a language, helping us get to new heights in understanding learning and teaching.



## STEP 3

Confirm your booking by completing payment before the start of your course.

## STEP 2

Tell us the dates and course you want to do as well as any other services you want to book.

## STEP 1

Contact us by e-mail, phone, visiting us, visiting our website, or talking to your local agent.



## STEP 5

Meet classmates from around the world, have a lot of fun, learn, learn and keep learning



## STEP 4

First day at Everest Language School... start the adventure!





## ACCOMMODATION

One very important part of your stay here in Ireland will be your accommodation. At Everest Language School we want to make sure you have a great experience from the beginning until the end. We know how complicated finding accommodation can be and we are here to help you with it.

### Host families:

This option is the best one if you want to completely immerse yourself in both the language and the culture. All the host families have been selected for their welcoming and

friendly attitude towards students and will make you feel at home.

### Hostel accommodation:

If you are on a budget and you want to meet lots of people from all over the world this is the option for you. Let us find you a place in one of the many central hostels of the city, where you will have the chance to practise your English while meeting people from many different countries and have lots of fun during your stay.

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

While we are very serious about your language progress, it is also very important to us that you love your time in Dublin. Furthermore, we are interested in exploring the relevance of immersion in language both in and outside of the classroom. To do this

we have designed our social and cultural programme to be 100% English-immersive and we also make sure that it is stimulating, enjoyable and that it caters for a wide variety of interests





# THINGS TO DO



FREE CITY TOURS



FREE STUDENT PARTIES



WEEKEND TRIPS & TOURS  
AROUND IRELAND



WALKS IN THE DUBLIN  
MOUNTAINS AND CLIMBING



FREE MUSEUM VISITS



FREE QUIZ NIGHTS



FREE MOVIE NIGHTS



VISIT THE GUINNESS FACTORY



VISIT A TRADITIONAL PUB



VISIT HOWTH  
(AND EAT FISH & CHIPS)





# LEARNING TOGETHER



A wide-angle photograph of a beach at low tide. The sand is dark and wet, reflecting the sky and clouds. In the distance, there are rolling hills and mountains under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. A few people are visible in the water. A white, speech-bubble-like text box is overlaid on the left side of the image.

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