



Bucksmore
EDUCATION

Academic Short Courses 2023



Foreword

Welcome to Bucksmore Education, where we combine tradition with innovation in our powerfully engaging and fulfilling academic short courses and summer programmes.

Each year, we greet new and returning students who flourish during their time with us, working in small peer groups, alongside other young people from around the world, who share their love of learning and adventure. Our students return time and again, and each year describe their experiences in glowing terms.

We are extremely proud of our purposeful and rigorous academic continuum, carefully structured, industry aligned and externally certified, and packed with exciting content and activities to help young people to successfully find and pursue their passion pathways.

Our hand-picked study locations offer students an immersive experience, where they can progress their learning, explore global perspectives, develop an international mindset and cultural intelligence, in a safe, comfortable and friendly environment, steeped in an academic history of brilliance.

My whole career has been devoted to furthering excellence in international education. Our team understands what inspires young minds and fuels their ambitions, and I believe that what we have created and offer through Bucksmore Education is an unmatched and unbeatable education experience, which is reflected by our fantastic student feedback.

Jon Halligan

Jon Halligan
Director

“ Everything at Bucksmore is amazing: the people, the subjects, the courses. I’m really looking forward to coming back! ”

Lena, Greece



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About us

Established in 1979, Bucksmore Education is steeped in history and tradition with a track record of developing high quality and innovative academic programmes, within the context of the Bucksmore Education Continuum. Over the last 40 years, we have welcomed over 42,000 students of 120 nationalities to the ever-growing Bucksmore Education family where lasting friendships are formed and unique experiences are shared.

We work every day to inspire our staff, our tutors and our students to be the best they can be, and we are ambitious for them all to achieve more than they thought possible in their personal, social and academic endeavours. This aspiration is underpinned by a commitment to always act with respect, integrity, openness and ambition.

The Bucksmore Education mission has always been to provide courses, programmes and experiences that are relevant and purposeful, in order to prepare students to thrive both now and in the future.

“ In times of change, learners inherit the earth, while the learned find themselves beautifully equipped to deal with a world that no longer exists. ”

Eric Hoffer





“ I love meeting people of different nationalities and sharing about our different cultures and traditions. ”

Natalie, Guatemala

Global perspectives

In a world that is increasingly volatile, the ability to communicate effectively and understand and appreciate differing points of view is a fundamental skill we aim to develop through our programmes at Bucksmore Education.

In order to create a successful path to follow in life, we understand that having a global mindset and strong cultural experiences are key. Across all of our programmes, we are proud to help students gain these important assets by building their confidence and supporting them through their learning journey, as well as offering them a rich and fulfilling cultural experience.

Every course timetable ensures that students have the time to develop and enhance their cultural intelligence through collaborative academic activities and sharing of experiences centred around events and excursions to UK cities and landmarks. We welcome students from every corner of the globe and provide the platform for them to further develop their social and global perspectives.



30,000+
students welcomed



30+
courses



120+
nationalities welcomed



Venues

Our world-renowned venues offer students access to some of the most exclusive and academically prestigious environments in the world. Steeped in history and tradition, and attended by many prominent academic, political and industry greats, we aim to give students an inspirational experience that develops both the confidence and ambition to achieve their vision and goals for the future.

Oxford University

Located one hour from London, Oxford is a vibrant city that offers something for everyone. Oxford University and its many colleges are full of history, echoing with the footfall of many academic greats who have walked its hallowed halls. Oxford offers unique experience for students wishing to explore an exciting city whilst aspiring to follow in the footsteps of an Oxford graduate.

University of Cambridge

Founded in 1209, Cambridge is a considerably smaller city than Oxford but with just as much to offer. With famous alumni including Professor Stephen Hawking and Sir Charles Darwin, and 92 affiliates who have been awarded Nobel Prizes, our University of Cambridge venues are the ideal place for students who wish to put their ambitions into a real-life context.

Prestigious boarding schools

The UK is renowned for its private education system and the incredible schools that are part of it. We understand that some students may prefer a more familiar all-encompassing campus environment, whilst still receiving an inspirational and aspirational experience which is why our range of premium boarding school venues are the perfect option to build independence in a nurturing environment.

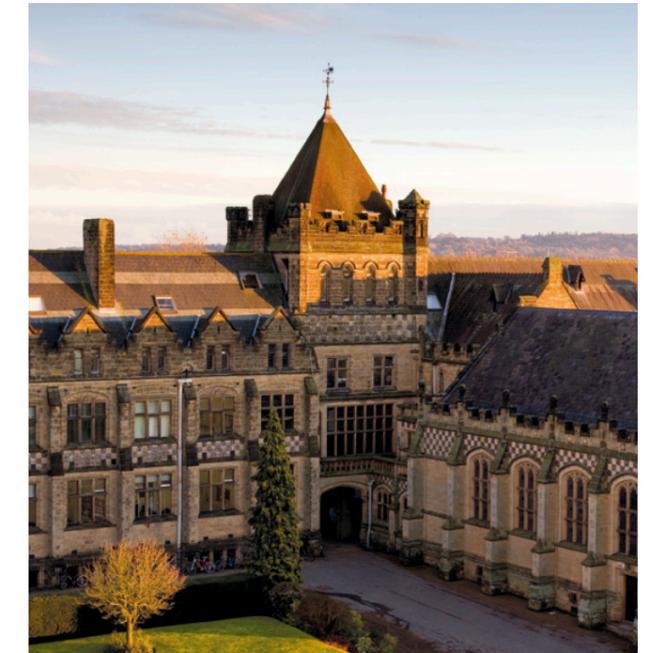
Oxford University



University of Cambridge



Prestigious boarding schools





Safety

High staff to student ratios ensure all students are known and their physical and mental well-being is catered for throughout their time with us. There is an on-site management team available 24 hours a day including first-aid trained members of staff. As a result, we are very well placed to ensure our programmes and venues have strong protocols in place to ensure students have a safe and enjoyable experience.



British council accreditation



English UK membership

“ I really enjoyed my time at Bucksmore and I hope to repeat it in the near future. Thank you to the staff and counselors for taking care of us!

Saiora, Kazakhstan



Our learning model

Our programmes are designed to support students to plan and develop a meaningful path to follow as they progress through their school life and into their university or career. We provide students with the key experiences, skills and tools needed to support their educational and career goals. We achieve this, through small class sizes to hands-on workshops, project work to lectures from key speakers and cultural excursions to career specific visits. We ensure our students have a truly holistic learning experience that broadens and enhances their academic profile.



Bucksmore Education Continuum

Our broad range of courses allows students to follow their own unique 'Bucksmore Education Continuum' that can complement and add value to their current school curriculum. Designed to develop and challenge students, our programmes offer a high-level of academic content ranging from industry insights to university preparation that students can use to help them progress towards their future education and career goals.



English Foundation

All English language levels

For those at the beginning of their learning journey, our range of English language courses offers specialist tuition tailored specifically to a summer school setting.



Academic Development

Intermediate to advanced English language levels

Programmes for ambitious students wanting to develop important leadership and vocational skills.



Academic Enhancement

Upper intermediate to native English language levels

University and industry certified short courses designed for students who wish to further develop their professional expertise.



University Preparation

Advanced to native English language level

Subject specific academic tuition for high-achieving students aiming to study at top universities.

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Bucksmore English

Ages 10-13 & 13-16

All language levels

Prestigious boarding schools

Our general English programme aims to enhance students' language skills through our bespoke placement testing and fun and dynamic language curriculum. This is complemented with a variety of sessions, such as academic skills, project sessions and conversation classes, providing a holistic approach to learning a language and the opportunity to build on confidence and communication skills. Students' progress is tracked and assessed at the end of their course with our very own Bucksmore Assessment, measured against the CEFR scale.

Course Outcomes:

 Detailed report card  Bucksmore Certificate

 Bucksmore Level (related to CEFR)

English Plus

Ages 10-13 & 13-16

All language levels

Prestigious boarding schools

By combining the Bucksmore English programme with specialist workshops, English Plus courses take students out of their comfort zone by providing them with the unique experience of promoting their passions and gaining a deeper understanding of a specific subject such as STEM, Coding and Veterinary Experience, whilst putting their English language skills into the context of the subjects they love!

Course Outcomes:

 Detailed report card  Bucksmore Certificate

 Bucksmore Level (related to CEFR)



Intensive English

Ages 13-16

All language levels

World-renowned universities

The intensive English programme is for enthusiastic students who want to accelerate their learning experience by putting their language skills into practice through additional, authentic workshops such as Drama, Debating and English literature. The varied learning styles of the Intensive English programme allows students to activate the language found in their course books in an everyday scenario and develop their fluency and communication skills, whilst building their confidence and knowledge of English language.

Course Outcomes:

 Detailed report card  Bucksmore Certificate

 Bucksmore Level (related to CEFR)

IELTS Preparation

Ages 16-18

B1 intermediate

World-renowned university

This programme combines bespoke English language learning with focused preparation for the IELTS examination, which is often required for entrance into UK universities. The programme develops key insights and knowledge surrounding the IELTS examination content, marking criteria and examination skills, with biweekly inhouse IELTS mock examination and one-to-one tailored feedback from our IELTS experts. At the end of the course, students have the option to take the IELTS examination.

Course Outcomes:

 Detailed report card  Bucksmore Certificate

 IELTS Examination

Academic Development

Programmes for ambitious students wanting to challenge their language and knowledge development either through the exploration of leadership or developing a deeper understanding of career areas and related professional skills.

Young Leaders

Ages 14-17

B1 Intermediate -
C1 Native

Prestigious boarding school

Based around the Sustainable Development Goals set by the United Nations in 2015, this course will develop students' English skills whilst learning about key 21st century leadership skills such as communication, creativity, integrity and a global mindset and tackling issues that are increasingly important to modern teenagers. The course aims to do this through creative projects, debates, talks from established leaders in their field and local action.

Course Outcomes:

 Detailed report card  Bucksmore Certificate

 External Certification

Young Professionals

Ages 13-16 & 16-18

B1 Intermediate -
C1 Native

Prestigious boarding schools

This course combines classroom-based theory with practical sessions across a range of careers in an English-speaking environment. The programme aims to challenge and expand students' language understanding, by focusing on topic-specific vocabulary and putting language into practice whilst providing valuable insights into future careers.

Course Outcomes:

 Detailed report card  Bucksmore Certificate

 External Certification



Academic Enhancement

University and industry certified short courses designed for students who wish to further develop their academic profile.

The Show Must Go On: The Young Performer

Ages 13-16

B2 Upper Intermediate - C1
Native

World-renowned university

Recognising the role the Performing Arts plays in developing a student's creativity, confidence, coordination, language and communication skills, Bucksmore Education has partnered with West End On Demand, a top West End theatre company. Taught by West End professionals, students will gain a first-hand experience of the industry through tuition in acting, singing, dancing, stage-combat and puppetry, as well as taking part in West End workshops and watching West End shows.

Course Outcomes:

 West End on Demand
Certification of completion

 Bucksmore Academy Theatre Award (BATA)

The Art of Noise: Music and Audio Production

Ages 16-18

B2 Upper Intermediate - C1
Native

Prestigious boarding school

Recognising the increasingly influential role music technology plays in contemporary music production, this course partners with leading electronic musical instrument maker, Roland, to give students the most relevant skills and techniques needed by anybody wanting to become a music producer.

Course Outcomes:

 University certificate
of completion

 Roland certificate
of completion

 Graded certificate from GoCreate examinations

Build the Future: Design, Engineer, Construct

Ages 16-18

B2 Upper Intermediate - C1
Native

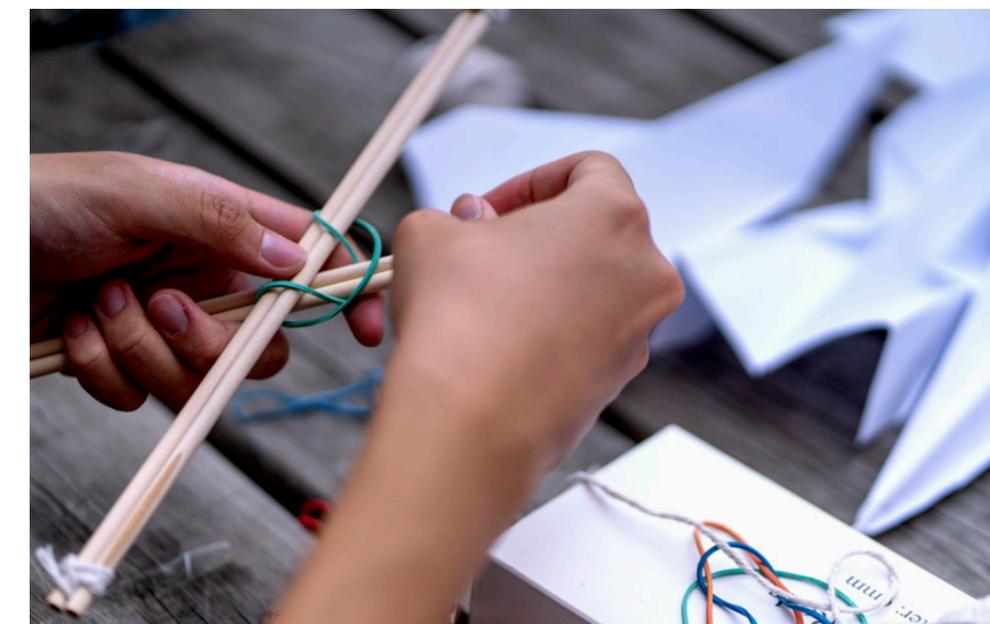
University of Cambridge

This course partners with leading professionals to ensure the latest industry best-practices are understood and delivered. Students on this course will learn the most relevant skills and techniques needed by anybody considering a professional career in architecture, engineering and construction including problem solving, team-working and critical thinking. With access to state-of-the-art computer facilities throughout the two-week experience, students can also expect to develop excellent digital skills using industry standard architectural design software.

Course Outcomes:

 Fully accredited DEC
Award Certificate

 Bucksmore Certification of Completion



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Curtain Up: Musical Theatre, Production & Performance

Ages 16-18

B2 Upper Intermediate - C1 Native

Prestigious boarding school

This course covers the most technical of theatre disciplines - Musical Theatre. This genre requires you to sing, dance and act - all at the same time. In this amazing course, Bucksmore has partnered with GoCreate Academy and London College of Music's Richard Link to create a course that is contemporary in approach and can lead to qualifications through our accrediting partner London College of Music Examinations. This course introduces you to the fundamental techniques needed to perform on the West End stage - culminating in a special bespoke performance of a West End musical! It is the perfect way to explore the magic of musicals.

Course Outcomes:



University certificate of completion

Graded certificate from GoCreate examinations

Graded qualification from London School of Music Examinations

Message Received: The Social Media Influencer

Ages 16-18

B2 Upper Intermediate - C1 Native

Prestigious boarding school

This course is for every young person aspiring to be an influencer or entrepreneur, demonstrating how to build a trusted, recognisable brand in a legitimate and ethical manner. The programme has been developed with education partners GoCreate Academy & Hubspot, with every student having full access to the incredible Hubspot platform, where they can put all their learning into practice. The course delivers real-world insight into how to scale your brand through understanding digital marketing elements like social media, mail-shots and inbound marketing. Students also learn practical front-facing skills like live-streaming, storytelling, podcasting and presenting.

Course Outcomes:



University Certificate of completion

Graded qualification from GoCreate examinations

Hubspot Academy Certification

University Preparation

University of Cambridge and Oxford University aligned subject specific academic tuition for high-achieving students aiming to study at top universities.

Oxford and Cambridge Advanced Studies Programme

Ages 16-18

C1 Native

Oxbridge colleges

The Advanced Studies Programme prepares students to excel in their chosen subject within the highly competitive higher education environment. Students will be provided key insights in order to gain an advantage with their university applications and receive focused pre-university preparation to support their successful transition into university-level academic environments.

Course Outcomes:

Detailed report card

Bucksmore Certificate

Completed Personal Statement



Who will I learn from

We carefully select our tutors, ensuring not only that they have a passion for their subject, possess a high level of teaching expertise, but also the ability to motivate and inspire students through interactive and engaging resources and lessons. We expect our tutors to create a positive and safe learning environment where students can flourish.

At Bucksmore Education, we are proud of our tutors and their ability to differentiate and accommodate students needs across all levels and stages of the educational spectrum. We employ passionate English language tutors who guide and encourage students to develop their language skills, Oxbridge academics who challenge students and inspire them to explore their subjects in greater depth, and workshop leaders who link academic understanding into real world application. All of our tutors are highly skilled professionals who are ready to motivate students to be the best they can be.

“ I loved teaching my students! They were so engaged with the lessons and great at suggesting answers to difficult questions, which was really rewarding to see. ”

Emma, Young Professionals Tutor

English language tutor



Greg Kavvadias (Delta/M.Ed. TESOL)

Greg Kavvadias is Director of Studies on the Intensive English programme and is passionate about educating young people and ensuring they reach their highest potential. Over the past seven years, he has established a track record of excellence in preparing candidates for high-stakes academic exams. Being a lifelong learner, he always looks for innovative methods to assist students in being their most confident selves when presented with an academic challenge or while attempting to achieve a specific objective, such as admission to a particular institution or university.

Academic Development tutor



Dr Teresa Thomas MA (Cantab)

Dr Teresa Thomas is a retired General Practitioner with over 30 years of experience in the UK healthcare industry. She is a graduate of Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge (formerly New College). She has significant knowledge of physiology, anatomy, and pathology. Dr Thomas enjoys bringing hands-on practical elements to her lessons, many of which are designed to replicate first year medical school training courses.

Academic Enhancement tutor



Rachel Bingham

Rachel Bingham is a top West End performer, teacher and the Director of West End On Demand. Rachel trained in musical theatre at the prestigious Mountview Academy Of Theatre Arts and has performed extensively. Her work includes: Les Miserables (West End); Billy Elliot (West End); The Sound Of Music (West End) to name a few. Rachel created West End On Demand to use her passion for the performing arts to encourage children and students of all ages to enhance their confidence, creativity and talents. Her teaching work includes performing arts and foundation degree performing arts, as well as guest teaching around the UK and Europe.

University Preparation tutor



Justin Reay (CertFAET DipHistA(Oxon) FSA FRHistS)

Justin Reay studied History of Art and Architecture at the University of Oxford and researched his doctoral thesis on medieval naval history with the University of Exeter. Justin was invited by University of Oxford to tutor the University's international programmes and became a senior academic manager for the Bodleian Library. A qualified teacher, Justin tutors in art history, classical studies, critical thinking and academic writing, and has taught in the OASP for the last 10 years. He is a consultant in the history of art and naval history to academic and media institutions, and an Accredited Lecturer for the Arts Society.

Our partners and accreditations

We are pleased to be accredited and partnered with the following organisations:



Academic partners



Industry partners



UK venue partners





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