

English Plus Art and Design

Section 1: Overview

Is this course for me?

- This course is ideal for students who want to improve their English whilst practising their art and design skills.
- It allows you to prepare a portfolio of artwork for future study or work purposes.
- It combines general English with specialist art and design related disciplines.

Key Facts

Available in

- London
- Oxford

Start dates:

- Every Monday between 2 January and 11 December 2023

Entry level:

- Elementary (Kings Level 2)

Age:

- 16+

Duration:

- Minimum 2 weeks

Class size:

- Maximum 14 in English
- Maximum 10 in Art

Lessons per week:

- 28 lessons per week total (21 hours). 20 lessons (15 hours) General English + 8 lessons (6 hours) Art and Design

Included in the price:

- 28 lessons per week (21 hours)
- Welcome Information Pack
- Course materials
- Basic art materials
- Sketchbooks
- Use of art studio
- Placement test on arrival, weekly assignments, group participation and progress tests
- Use of Computer Learning Centre
- Free Wi-fi at school
- Full access to Kings social programme, with at least two free activities per week
- Full access to join Kings' school clubs and societies
- Optional weekly lecture programme
- End-of-course certificate (90% or higher attendance required)

Section 2: Course structure and content

- **20 lessons (15 hours) per week of General English**
- **8 lessons (6 hours) per week Art and Design**
- + independent project/portfolio work

General English lessons

Your general English lessons will be designed to improve your reading, writing, speaking and listening at a consistent rate. Each week, lessons will focus on a different topic.

Key areas covered include:

Communication skills

- Conversational language skills
- Listening and accents
- Reading and interpretation
- Writing and presenting

Linguistic resources

- Building your vocabulary bank
- Fine tuning your pronunciation
- Interpretation of texts
- Grammar and syntax

Study skills

- Note taking and revision
- Research skills
- Time management and planning

- Dictionary work
- Learner autonomy

Cultural and personal development

- Understanding cultural difference and similarity
- Team work and leadership
- Presenting an argument
- Discussion skills

You will be assigned to your general English class based on your current Kings Level. We have classes right through to Level 8 (Advanced), and you will progress up through the levels as your skills improve and your confidence grows.

Specialised Art and Design lessons

- The art and design lesson content is determined by the student, and is structured around their experience and personal interests. This allows a broad range of students to gain a different, personally tailored experience in art and design.
- Each student fills in a questionnaire on arrival and has a tutorial with their art teacher in their first lesson where they discuss their art background and previous experience as well as their learning goals.
- Students can attend with different levels of experience in art and design, from degree level, or pre-masters students to complete beginners, and can attend for different amounts of time.
- Those who are planning further study in art and design can get portfolio advice and expert guidance on how to prepare effectively for art courses or job applications.
- Students will get an understanding of how art and design is taught in the UK through project work to develop creative thinking.
- Many students simply want to work on their drawing skills, either for themselves or for courses for which they are planning to apply.

Art and design techniques

- Drawing
- Painting
- Sculpture
- Printmaking
- Photography
- Practical 3-D design, for example, modelling, construction and design process including drawing
- Fashion/textiles

Kings Oxford also offers:

- Stop frame animation
- Graphic design
- Illustration

Portfolio development

- Students will be advised on further art and design study in the UK.

- Portfolio development can consist of advice on selecting and presenting work, creating new work for a portfolio and giving a student the means to continue developing their portfolio after their course.
- Students wanting to work on portfolios should bring, if possible, images of any previous work and work in progress that they may wish to include in their portfolio.

Section 3: The Kings Art Studios

- At both Kings Oxford and Kings London, fully-equipped art studios are available for English Plus Art and Design students to use. The Oxford studio is based at the Alfred Street Annexe in central Oxford at the Kings School of Art + Design. In Oxford and London we also offer longer Art Foundation courses which prepare for degree level study at Art Schools in the UK.
- Both studios are full of light and specially equipped for teaching painting, drawing and modelling.
- The studios provide a great space to meet other students after class to share and develop artistic ideas, and to learn new skills. You may also work on projects in your spare time here.
- Software available includes Photoshop, and InDesign and Illustrator in Oxford.

Sample timetable

Please note: Sample timetable subject to change. General English lessons may take place in mornings or afternoons in summer.

L = Kings London

O = Kings Oxford

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
09:00 - 10:30 (L) 09:15 - 10:45 (O) (Lessons 1 & 2) General English	Progress test including listening and writing Individual and group feedback on test	Grammar Using 'will' and 'shall' in polite requests Pronunciation Open and closed questions (intonation) Professional skills Interviews.	Vocabulary Common idioms and phrasal verbs used to describe behaviour Reading, listening and writing Giving tips on how to behave in different situations	Listening Understanding how technology works Functional language Giving instructions Task-based learning (leadership and team work) Building a bridge	Grammar review 'Will', 'shall' and relative clauses Video Ted Talk: How to lead a conversation between people who disagree Discussion Beyond right and wrong?
	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00 - 12:30 (L) 11:15 - 12:45 (O) (Lessons 3 & 4) General English	Vocabulary Social behavior: Talking about norms and customs Discussion Understanding cultural differences	Video Phone addiction. Role-play Asking for and offering help Study skills Making effective notes	Real English People in the newspapers today Grammar Defining relative clauses Vocabulary Adjectives of character	Writing An email describing a new invention. Presentations A future without cars.	Vocabulary Diplomatic language Professional skills Giving and receiving feedback Discussion — Beyond right and wrong?
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
13:30 - 15:00 (L) 13:45 - 16:45 (O)	Free time (L and O)	Art and design (L) Free time (O)	Art and design (L, 13:30 - 16:30) Free time (O)	Art and design (L and O)	Free time (L) Art and design (O)