

*“...your first step to a British education.”*



## **ALBION COLLEGE**

Albion College is situated in the heart of London in the famous Bloomsbury Square. It occupies an elegant two hundred year old building with bright, spacious and modern classrooms. Many of the rooms are fitted with magnificent antique fireplaces and superb lighting. In short, the College provides a perfect environment in which to study. There are excellent IT and library facilities, as well as areas in which to work and relax between lessons.

As Albion College is in Zone 1, it is well served by bus and train links – just a three minute walk from Holborn Underground Station. It is also within easy walking distance of the West End with its many theatres, shops, restaurants, and historical attractions. From Holborn, trains go directly to North, East, and West London, and there is a direct link to Heathrow Airport.

Bloomsbury is an area which has long been associated with such colleges as LSE, UCL, Central St. Martin's, SOAS, and many others.

# Welcome

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## PRINCIPALS

### **Michael Addison BA Hons (Bristol) MA (Sussex)**

Michael has many years experience in Further and Higher education, both as a teacher of History and Politics, and as a Director. He has strong links with most of the leading UK universities. He will make sure that you gain individual and professional assistance in applying for university courses.



### **Celine Dunne BA Hons (Dublin) Higher Diploma in Education**

Celine began her career teaching Languages and Mathematics at several schools in Ireland, and then spent ten years in France where she taught English at universities in Paris. Before coming to London she ran her own company teaching professional English to corporate clients.

She has a dynamic approach to teaching and demands high standards and commitment. She ensures that all aspects of students' academic needs are given detailed attention.

*"Whether you wish to take a first degree or a Masters, we run a range of programmes which will give you the best possible access to British university courses, and help you to realize your potential. From the day you arrive in London to your placement at university, we will give you full support and ensure that you thrive in a friendly, secure, and professional environment.*

*We look forward to giving you a warm welcome to Albion College."*

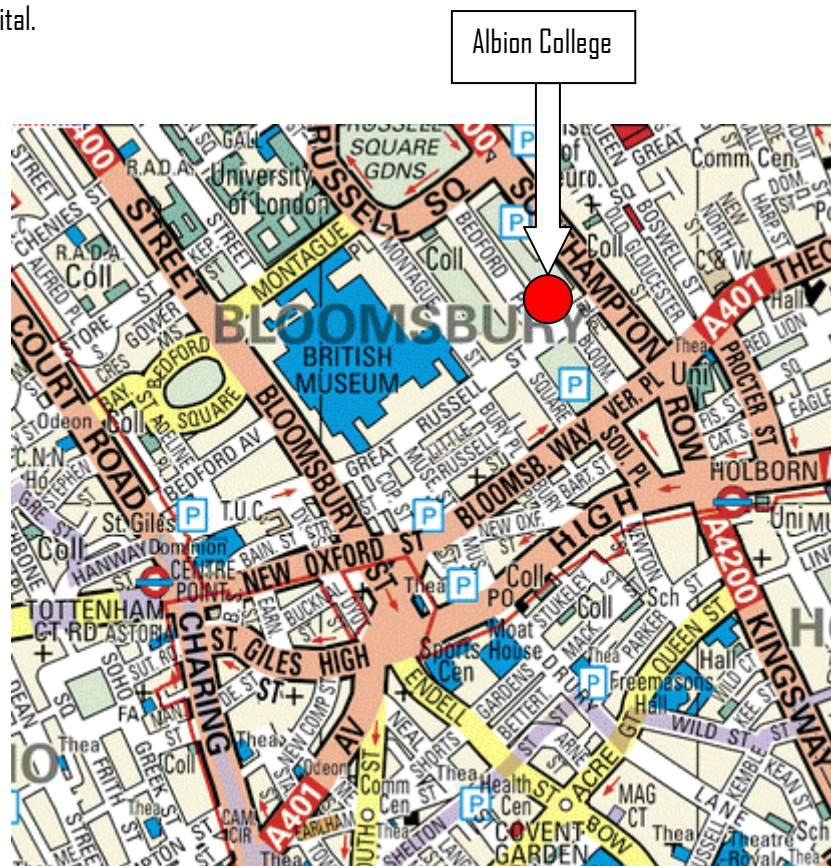
## STUDYING IN LONDON

London is an exciting city in which to study with its many historical attractions, and the College is ideally positioned within easy reach of the many museums, theatres, shops, parks and numerous other places of interest which make London such a stimulating place in which to live and study.

We understand the importance of the environment in which you study and London has so many advantages. As a leading international commercial and cultural centre, London offers limitless opportunities.



We encourage all students to take full advantage of their stay in London with organized visits to lots of different places. Your education does not begin and end at the doors of the College, but continues every minute of your stay in the capital.



## TEACHING AT ALBION COLLEGE

We ensure that teaching standards are maintained at the highest level. All our teachers have many years of experience in teaching overseas students.

*Arthur Davis, Head of English, has degrees in English and Psychology from University College, London and Birkbeck University. He has taught English throughout Europe and has an outstanding record in preparing students for their IELTS examinations*

Class sizes are small and most subjects are taught in groups of six to ten, with a maximum of twelve students per class. This enables everyone to participate actively in class activities and discussions, and it also enables teachers to attend to the individual needs of all students.

When students commence their studies, they are assigned to their own personal tutor, and throughout their stay regular contact between students and tutors is maintained. Personal tutors will help in all ways, academic and pastoral, to ensure that students have an enjoyable and rewarding time at Albion College.



**Arthur Davis**



**Todd Israel**

*Todd Israel, Head of Art and Design, has a degree in Fine Art and a graduate diploma in Education. He has wide experience in teaching different aspects of Art and Design. He majored in textile design and sculpture and works well with students on an individual basis to broaden their horizons and to challenge them with new ideas and perceptions.*

Albion College is proud of its teachers. They are not only highly qualified but also have a patient and imaginative approach to their teaching. All teachers come to us with a proven ability in delivering success to their students.

## ACCOMMODATION

Finding the right place to live is essential. Different students have different requirements, and we help all students to find a place to live which is most appropriate to their individual needs. Albion College will give you all possible help in finding the right place.



## TYPES OF ACCOMMODATION

### **Shared Student Flats** – Cost: £60 - £100 per week

This is the most popular form of accommodation where four to six students share a flat and all do their own cooking and cleaning.

### **Homestay** – Cost £100 - £140 per week

Students live with a family in Zone 2 or 3. The family will either provide meals or allow you to use the kitchen facilities. This type of accommodation provides a secure environment and helps students to practise their English as part of the family.



### **Student Hostels** £80 - £120 per week

Hostels will usually provide some meals or will provide shared cooking facilities.

All our hostels are in Zones 1 or 2.

## AIRPORT PICKUP SERVICE

Albion College will arrange for you to be collected from the airport and taken to your new accommodation. There is a charge of £55 for this service.

## APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY

Applying to UK universities is often a confusing and bewildering process. There is such a wide range of courses and an enormous number of universities in Britain of varying standards. It is difficult to know just where to start.

We will help you at all stages of the application process, advising you on suitable courses and universities, helping to prepare personal statements, and preparing you for interviews. Each student is given as much individual attention as is necessary to make the right choice and gain offers.

As well as keeping a wide selection of resources on universities and course, Albion College holds a university fair each year attended by many of the UK's leading universities. This gives students a perfect opportunity to discuss their future plans.

We have excellent links with the top universities. The measure of our success is our ability to gain you a place at the best and most appropriate university to meet your needs, and we have the expertise and knowledge to achieve this. Our students have gained places at many excellent universities including Queen Mary's, City, Kingston, UWE, Royal Holloway, and Westminster.



**King's Cambridge**



**Royal Holloway**

# *Programmes*

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-  **GCSE's**
-  **A Levels**
-  **University Foundation Programme**
-  **Medical Foundation Programme**
-  **Masters Qualifying Programme**
-  **ABE Certificate and Diplomas**
-  **English Language**



## GCSE's

GCSE's are the principal exams taken in the UK at the end of Year 11.

Students take five or more subjects with five passes being the minimum requirement for A Level and Foundation Programmes.

Students can take the course over one, one and a half, or two years and, where necessary, tuition is combined with English Language classes.

Teaching takes place in small groups with a maximum of eight students per class. Each student is assigned a personal tutor who will supervise academic progress and ensure that all aspects of student welfare are looked after.



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Minimum Age: 14

Students should also have achieved an appropriate level of English Language. We provide English tuition for students who have not yet reached this level.

### ASSESSMENT

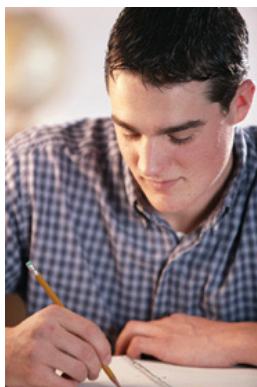
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### SUBJECTS AVAILABLE

Mathematics and Statistics	Law	I.T.
Economics	Chemistry	English Language
Biology	Accounting	French
Business Studies	Physics	History



## A LEVELS



A Levels are the standard route in the UK to universities. Students can choose to study over one or two years. In the two year route, students take four subjects in their first year (A/S Level) and three subjects in the second year (A2 Level). On the one year programme, students take three subjects. It is also possible to study on an eighteen month programme, starting in January and finishing the following June. This is particularly suitable for students who may need to improve their English Language before beginning to study A Levels.

Our A Level teachers all have many years of experience and understand fully exactly what is required to gain high grades. With places at top universities becoming increasingly competitive this is an essential ingredient of success.

Applications for first degree programmes are through the central body, UCAS, and students receive one-to-one help in what is often seen as a confusing and difficult system.

All A Level students receive free IELTS tuition throughout their time at the College.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSE's or equivalent.

Students should also have achieved an appropriate level of English Language. We provide English Language tuition for students who have not yet reached this level.

Minimum Age: 16 years

### ASSESSMENT

Externally set national examinations

### SUBJECTS OFFERED









Maths & Statistics	Accounting	History
Physics	Economics	Geography
Mechanics	Business Studies	Modern Languages
Chemistry	Law	Fine Art
Biology	Government & Politics	Graphic Design
I.T	Psychology	

## UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

Foundation programmes are an increasingly popular route to a first degree at UK universities. They are accepted by the vast majority of universities and are particularly suitable for overseas students, combining the study of academic subjects with English language and academic skills.

Our Foundation Programme is a one year full time course, and has been devised in consultation with UK universities to provide the best possible preparation for a degree programme.












It is ideal for students who wish to study for degrees in the following subjects:

-  Business
-  Management
-  Accounting
-  Law
-  Social Sciences
-  Computer Studies
-  Art & Graphic Design
-  Media Studies

In the first term students are given tuition in Mathematics and IT, as well as courses to improve Communication Skills and to prepare for the British Council IELTS examination – an essential qualification for all degree programmes. Also, students are taught various study skills which they will require at university. These include essay planning, referencing of essays, and research skills.



In the second and third terms, students continue to improve their language skills and prepare for their IELTS exam. They also take three specialised modules appropriate to their chosen degree course. The subjects offered are as follows:

-  Additional Mathematics
-  Statistics
-  Accounting
-  Business Management
-  Economics
-  Additional IT
-  Law
-  Politics & International Relations
-  Media Studies
-  Art
-  Graphic Design

### **PROGRAMME FEATURES**

- A course ideally suited to overseas students
- A qualification accepted by the vast majority of UK universities
- Small class sizes and experienced teachers
- A flexible programme covering a wide variety of subjects
- Two intake dates



In addition, students take a further module in Business,

Technical or Legal English, which helps to acquaint them with specific vocabulary and terminology related to their degree subject.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Students must be seventeen or over, and have five GCSE's or a High School diploma. They must also have a level of English language equivalent to IELTS 4.5. For those with a lower level, the College provides an intensive English language course prior to the Foundation programme.

### **INTAKE DATES**

Students can take the programme either from September to June or January to August.

### **APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY**

As an essential part of the programme, students are given individual and expert assistance in the university application process. Help is given in the choice of universities and courses, writing of personal statements, and practise for interviews.

We have close links with many universities, and this makes it considerably easier to gain a place at a good university.

Each year we hold a university fair at the college attended by many of the leading UK universities.

### **ASSESSMENT**

Modules are assessed by a combination of coursework and written examinations. These exams are internally set and examined.

## MASTERS QUALIFYING PROGRAMME

The Masters Qualifying Programme is intended for overseas graduates who wish to take a Masters Degree course in the U.K. It is a one year full time programme and on successful completion of the programme and a satisfactory IELTS grade, all students are guaranteed placement on a suitable Masters course at a UK university.

The programme combines three main elements:

- English Language and preparation for the IELTS exam
- Academic skills such as making presentations and writing dissertations
- Specialised modules relating to the students' choice of Masters Course.



There are five main options:

***Business, Computer Studies, Art and Design, Engineering, and Travel and Tourism.***

In the **first term** all students focus on English and Academic skills. The timetable includes six hours of IELTS preparation, plus written and spoken English. It also introduces students to research methods and how to write dissertations.





In the **second** and **third terms**, students continue to prepare for the IELTS exam, but also take more specialised modules.

### PROGRAMME FEATURES






- 9 and 6 month programmes
- Intake dates in September and January
- Modules providing a preparation for chosen Masters course
- Guaranteed placement on a Masters course at a UK university on successful completion of programme
- Expert help in choosing and applying to university
- Tutors with experience of postgraduate level studies
- Outside speakers from universities and the world of business and technology

### ART AND DESIGN PROGRAMME

#### Term One

-  Drawing skills
-  Elements of design
-  IELTS preparation
-  History of Art & Design

#### Term Two






-  Painting – still life, abstract
-  Life Drawing
-  Typography & Logo Design
-  Sculpture
-  IELTS preparation

#### Term Three





-  Textile design
-  Printmaking
-  Design for Advertising
-  Illustration
-  IELTS preparation

### TRAVEL AND TOURISM PROGRAMME

#### Term One

-  Academic English
-  Communication Skills
-  IELTS preparation
-  Introduction to IT
-  Academic Skills

#### Term Two






-  English for Travel & Tourism
-  Tourism Marketing
-  Principles & practise of tourism
-  IELTS preparation

#### Term Three





-  Travel Industry management
-  Tourism law
-  Human Resource strategy
-  IELTS preparation

### ENGINEERING PROGRAMME



#### Term One

-  Academic English
-  Communication Skills
-  IELTS preparation
-  Mathematics & Mechanics
-  Academic Skills

#### Term Two






-  Principals of Mechanical Eng
-  Principals of Civil Eng
-  Principals of Electrical Eng
-  IELTS preparation

#### Term Three





-  Research Project related to choice of Masters programme
-  IELTS preparation

### BUSINESS PROGRAMME

#### Term One















-  Academic English
-  Communication Skills
-  IELTS preparation
-  Introduction to IT
-  Academic Skills

#### Term Two

-  Business English
-  Statistics for Management
-  Financial Accounting
-  IELTS preparation

#### Term Three

-  Microeconomics
-  Marketing Management
-  Human Resource Management
-  IELTS preparation

COMPUTER STUDIES PROGRAMME		
Term One	Term Two	Term Three
 Academic English	 Technical English	 Programming
 Communication Skills	 Business Information	 Web Design
 IELTS preparation	 Systems	 Computer Networks
 Introduction to IT	 IT for Management	 IELTS preparation
 Academic Skills	 IELTS preparation	

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must have a degree or a diploma. They must also have a level of English language equivalent to IELTS **4.5**. For those with a lower level of English, the College can provide an intensive English language course prior to the Masters Qualifying Programme.

If students have a higher level of English – **6.0** and above – it may be possible for students to study for the second and third terms only. This two term programme would have January and April intake dates.



### INTAKE DATES

Students can take the programme either from September to June or January to August

### UNIVERSITY CHOICES

All possible help is given to students in choosing suitable universities and courses, and assistance is given at all stages of the application process. We have close links with many universities and this makes it considerably easier to gain a place on a Masters course.



### ASSESSMENT

Assessment of English Language Skills is by the British Council's IELTS exam. Other modules are internally assessed by a combination of coursework and written examinations.

## MEDICAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

While there is an increasing demand for doctors to work in the UK, it is extremely difficult to gain a place at a British Medical School. Our one year Foundation Programme offers an attractive alternative. Students who pass our course are guaranteed a place on a four year Medical Degree Programme run by Grace University in the UK.

The qualification gained at the end of this degree course is an M.D. which is recognized by the General Medical Council. Students then take the PLAB test (Professional and Linguistic Assessment Board test) which gives the necessary qualification to practice as a doctor in the UK.

The programme helps students to acquire the knowledge base and academic skills necessary to study Medicine at degree level. It provides an understanding of how the human body works through the study of physiology, genetics and molecular biology, cells and tissues, microbiology and chemistry.

For those with insufficient English Language skills, the programme is combined with an English Language course which includes a module on Medical English, which introduces students to the vocabulary and terminology of the medical world.

Various teaching methods are used including lectures, seminars and practicals.



### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Students must be 17, and have 5 GCSE's or equivalent.

### **ASSESSMENT**

Combination of examinations and coursework.

## ABE CERTIFICATE, DIPLOMA, AND ADVANCED DIPLOMA

- Full time courses, qualifying students for entry to Year One, Year Two, or Year Three of a University Degree Programme in the UK.
- The Advanced Diploma is also accepted as a qualification for MBA programmes if students also have some work experience.
- Qualifications offered in three subjects - Business Administration; Travel, Tourism & Hospitality; and Business Information Systems

**The Association of Business Executives** was formed in 1973 and has grown into one of the UK's most successful examination bodies and offers qualifications which are recognized worldwide – it has accredited colleges in many countries including China, the UK, Vietnam, France, Canada, Iran, and the United Arab Emirates.



### PROGRAMME FEATURES

- A qualification recognized worldwide
- A flexible programme offering access to degree courses at UK universities
- Small class sizes and experienced teachers
- Two intake dates
- A programme ideally suited to overseas students which can be combined with English Language tuition
- A freestanding qualification which can be used for job applications in the fields of management, travel and tourism, and IT.

### ASSESSMENT

Examination set by ABE.

For more information please contact us or go to the ABE website – [www.abeuk.com](http://www.abeuk.com).



## ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES









**Roy Wilson -English Teacher**

Albion College provides comprehensive tuition in English Language from short two week courses to one year programmes. Teaching is conducted in small groups with experienced, well qualified and imaginative teachers. Our courses are wide-ranging from beginner to advanced level. All four skills – reading, writing, speaking, and listening – are developed to the maximum thanks to our highly skilled teachers, a wide range of audio-visual equipment, and a well resourced library.

We place great emphasis on developing students' vocabulary as quickly as possible by encouraging participation in classroom discussions. Students are trained to prepare and deliver presentations using PowerPoint and other methods. They are also instructed on the writing of essays, letters, and reports.

We actively encourage students to read newspapers and journals, a selection of which are stocked in reception. Students are tested when they arrive with us to assess their standard, and are then re-assessed at regular intervals to ensure that they are making good progress and that they are in the right class to suit their abilities. Whether studying English Language on its own or as part of other courses, we can assure that you will be given the ideal environment in which to work.








### **Courses include:**

-  General English 15 or 30 hours per week
-  IELTS preparation
-  Business English
-  Medical English
-  English for IT
-  English for Travel and Tourism





## WHY CHOOSE TO STUDY AT ALBION COLLEGE?

-  Central London location
-  Professional and experienced teachers
-  Small class sizes
-  Friendly and informal environment
-  Individual care and attention
-  Flexible teaching programme
-  Ability to place students in the best possible universities



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