

CELTA

A Cambridge qualification

CELTA is awarded by Cambridge ESOL, part of the University of Cambridge. It is an internationally accredited, highly respected teaching qualification in English Language Teaching. CELTA is the basic requirement for those embarking on a career in English Language Teaching to language learners both in the UK and worldwide.

The CELTA course is a practical, classroom-based course giving a good foundation in basic teaching techniques – classroom management, lesson planning, error correction, language analysis and use of resources, to name a few. Input sessions, which are led by the course tutors, focus on teaching methodology and language awareness. This input is put to practical use in the preparation of lesson plans and teaching practice.

There is a minimum of 120 contact hours, about half of which are devoted to preparation and planning for teaching and post teaching practice reflection. There are 6 hours of assessed teaching practice for each candidate (live classes) and 6 hours spent observing qualified teachers (at least 3 hours of which are live observation). The course includes 120 additional learning hours of independent background reading, assignment writing and lesson preparation. There are also 4 written assignments (minimum 3,000 words in total), which are internally assessed and externally moderated.

More than 10 000 people successfully complete a CELTA course each year.

Take your CELTA course in Lausanne, Switzerland !

Who is the CELTA for ?

Whether you are intending to teach for the short term or to make English language teaching a long term career, CELTA is the starting point for a rewarding experience in the field of English language teaching.

Some profiles of CELTA candidates :

- People starting a career in English language teaching
You may be thinking about a career in English language teaching and need CELTA to help you obtain a reputable job overseas or in your own country. Perhaps you're in your gap year and want a qualification giving solid, basic skills in language teaching and the confidence to use these in the classroom.
- People looking for a career change or career break
Maybe you want a short break from your career or a complete change. CELTA gives you the training you need to take on a dynamic and challenging new profession.
- People teaching English without formal qualifications
CELTA helps you develop your teaching skills and gives you the recognition you need for promotion or a better teaching job.