

Lingua Clara Language School





Introduction & Location

The *Lingua Clara Language School* is offering English Language Courses to meet the ever growing demand from people of all nationalities to be able to communicate effectively in conversational English.

Based in Cape Town, South Africa, *Lingua Clara* provides a wonderful opportunity for international students from non-English speaking nations to come and spend a few months in one of the most sought-after destinations in the world.

Not only can students enjoy the superb weather and places of outstanding natural beauty, but they will also be afforded the benefit of being hosted by English speaking families during their stay.

In this way they will be exposed to and challenged by the continuous use of the language they are studying.

This approach helps to counteract the unfortunate statistic of many people who have previously attempted to learn a foreign language, but have failed due to insufficient exposure within an appropriate context.

Location

Lingua Clara is based in Durbanville, Cape Town, South Africa.

Durbanville is a fast-growing suburb on the northern side of Cape Town with easy access to the City centre and Cape Winelands.

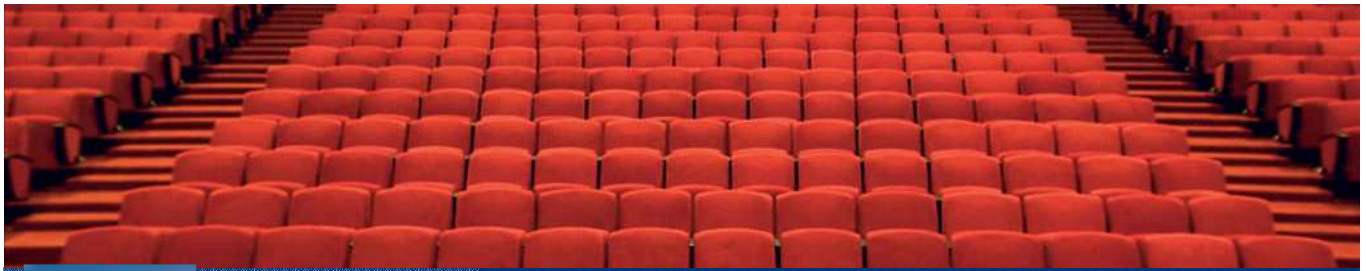
It has excellent facilities including the Tyger Valley Shopping Centre, one of Cape Town's premier shopping malls.

Cape Town and the Cape Peninsula offer a rich variety of world class tourist attractions, of historical, scenic, and gastronomic interest. It is an area of great natural beauty. You can enjoy watching whales during their annual visit to the Cape from June to November, and visit a colony of African penguins all year round. Parks offering the 'Big Five' wildlife experience can be found within a few hours of Cape Town.



For full tourist information, visit Cape Town's official web-site:

www.cape-town.org



About the Course

Lingua Clara offers a full-time course teaching English as a foreign language. The course is taught by qualified fluent teachers. Teaching will take place in an informal and friendly small group environment conducive to an effective, yet non-threatening, learning process.

The objective of the course is to train students to communicate effectively in the English language. The syllabus concentrates on listening, speaking, reading and writing skills.

The course runs over a total period of four weeks including formal teaching in small classes, one-on-one sessions with the instructor, assignment work, and the opportunity for individual use of resources and audio-visual material.

The daily timetable has been designed in order to achieve an optimal balance between the time available, the ability of students to absorb the content being taught and the various methods available in such an environment. The timetable is broken down as follows:

Group Teaching and Training Sessions:

8.30 am – 10.30 am

10.30 am – 12.30 pm

These sessions are carried out in a classroom setting and are the forum in which the core syllabus content is taught. Students will have a small break of 10 minutes in between classes.

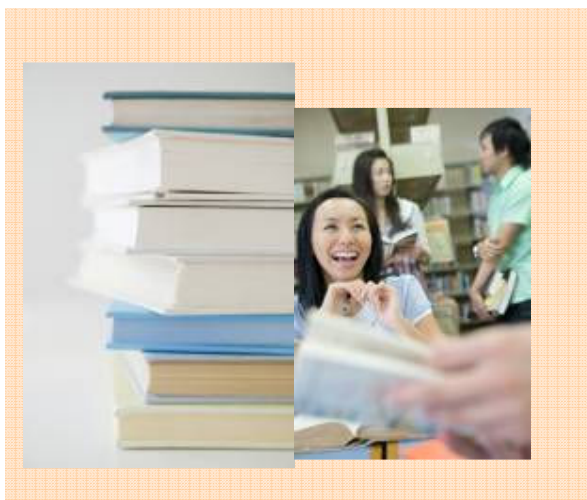
Field trips/Assignments/Homework/One-on-one tutorials:

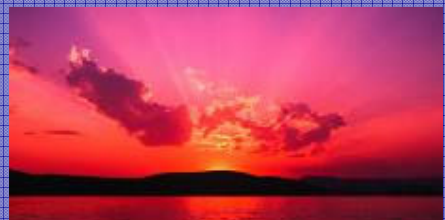
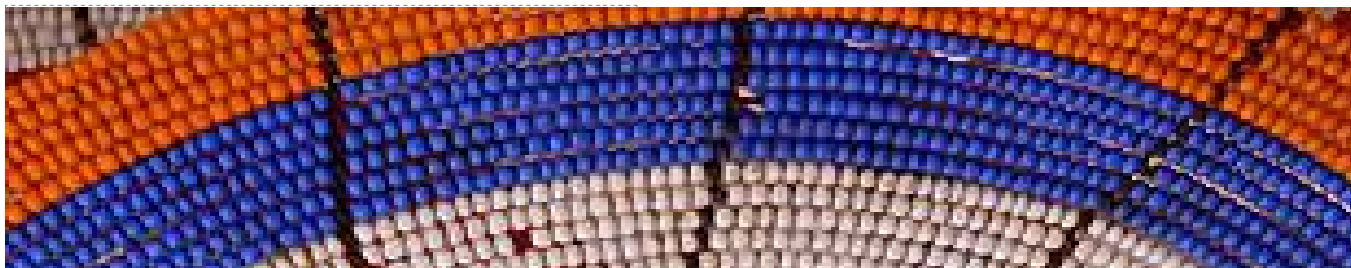
1.30pm – 3.30pm

The afternoon sessions break away from the typical classroom style lecturing. In these sessions, students will:

- Be given the opportunity to go on field trips with the express purpose of exercising their language skills.
- Be given time to work on course assignments. They will have use of resources in the classroom as well as through the internet.
- Be able to work on homework for the following day, with access to the necessary resources.
- Be given individual tutoring by the lecturer (as opposed to group teaching which is done in the morning).

Students will be informed at the start of the course what their particular schedule is for these sessions.





Field Trips

As part of the course, students will be taken on afternoon Field Trips to local places of interest. The types of field trips planned are:

Going up Table Mountain in the cable car. The mountain top is about 3km wide and rises to 1085m above sea level at its highest point. It offers spectacular views of the city and endless hiking pleasure for the enthusiast.

www.tablemountain.net

Visiting the Cape Point – the most south-westerly point on the African continent. It is here that the cold Benguela current and warm Agulhas current merge.

www.capepoint.co.za

Sailing to Robben Island, where Nelson Mandela was imprisoned. The island was used between the 17th and 20th centuries as a prison, a hospital and a military base. It is situated 12km off Table Bay and is a World Heritage Site.

www.robben-island.org.za

Taking a tour round the internationally acclaimed botanical gardens at Kirstenbosch. The gardens are a celebration of South African flora and cover an area of 528 hectares of which 36 hectares is cultivated garden.

www.aboutcapetown.com/kirstenbosch.htm

Taking a tour of local vineyards and fruit farms. This region has some of the best scenery and picnic spots on offer. Splendid mountains and rolling hills form a dramatic backdrop to lush vineyards and orchards.

www.capetowntravel.com/activities/wine.asp

Or simply browsing the picturesque Waterfront with its shops, cafés, craft markets, aquarium, al fresco musicians and other attractions. The Victoria and Alfred Waterfront is a hub of activity and a popular social meeting place within the city of Cape Town.

www.waterfront.co.za





Accommodation and Visas

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International full-time students will have the benefit of being hosted by English speaking families, giving students the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the culture and heritage that accompanies the language being studied. Most families will typically provide students with a single room and laundry facilities.

Breakfast, evening and weekend meals will be taken with the host family.

Other accommodation

The school is happy to refer students to a Bed and Breakfast, if required.



Travel requirements

Arranging a Visa and obtaining health and travel insurance are the responsibility of the student.

You can find information on Visas in the South African Home Affairs web site www.home-affairs.gov.za/services.

This may be a slow process, so begin early.



Course Dates, Registration and Fees

The cost of the course is broken down into three areas: tuition and materials, food and accommodation and field trips adding to a total of 15,000.00 Rands



Registration

To register for the course, please complete the registration form and fax it to the school. Upon receipt of your registration form we will send you a provisional letter of acceptance, which may be essential for Visa application, and an invoice. At that time you will be given the relevant banking details which will enable you to pay the deposit and send us proof of payment. Registration will then be confirmed.

Student Agreement – Code of Behaviour

The Lingua Clara Language School expects students to behave at all times with courtesy and consideration towards others. Students are required to read and sign the School's Code of Behaviour upon arrival. Serious breaches of this Code could result in dismissal from the course.



ENROLLMENT FORM FOR 2010

Personal Details

Family Name (Surname): _____ Occupation: _____
First Names: _____ Date of Birth: _____ (DD MM YYYY)
Nationality: _____ Sex: Male _____ Female _____
Telephone: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Zip Code: _____
Passport number: _____ Country: _____

Course Details

Starting Date: _____ (DD MM YYYY) Course Fee: _____
Name of Course: _____
Describe your level of English: (Use the words "Beginner", "Intermediate", or "Advanced")
Speaking _____ Grammar _____
Listening _____ Vocabulary _____
Writing _____

Accommodation Details

() Home: Stay with a family.
() Own Arrangements
() Bed and Breakfast (Should you need help in choosing a Bed and Breakfast emails us and we will send you further details regarding this accommodation)

Type _____ Do you smoke? _____
Arrival: _____ (DD MM YYYY) Departure: _____ (DD MM YYYY)
Any special dietary or medical conditions you might have: _____

Transfer on arrival required (free of charge if you book your accommodation through us): _____ (Yes/No)

Arrival date: _____ Arrival time: _____
Flight number: _____

(Please advise us of your flight details by email as they become available if they are not available right now)

Any other requirements you may have: _____

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Cancellation

Notice of cancellation must be made in writing via email at least 2 weeks prior to the starting date of the course. The deposit is not refundable.

Withdrawal

No refund is possible in the event of cancellation after the start of the course, or of non-arrival of the student. However, if after having commenced their stay at the Home or Guest House accommodation, students wish to cancel their accommodation in order to make their own arrangements, there will be a R 250,00 refund.

No refund is given if the student is asked to leave due to unsatisfactory attendance of performance.

Insurance

Students are not insured by Lingua Clara against illness, accident, theft or any loss of personal effects.

Lingua Clara or its representatives cannot accept responsibility for any accident occurring during the course, on or off the course premises, on excursions/tour or during activities. Personal insurance cover is therefore recommended.



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