

EC Cambridge

Arrival and First Day



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(Available during business hours:
Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm)

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When airport transfers are booked

Airport transfers can be arranged by EC upon request. Arrival information must be sent to EC at least two weeks prior to arrival otherwise we cannot guarantee airport transfers. An EC representative with an EC Cambridge sign will meet students at the arrival gate. If students cannot find the EC representative, they are advised to proceed to the Airport Information desk and call the EC emergency number.

In case of flight delays, or delays at Customs or immigration, students should call EC Staff on the Emergency number so that the driver will wait for them.

Sample first day timetable

Students should arrive at EC by 08:30 on their first day in order to sit their placement test.

- 08:30 – Student arrival & receiving of itinerary
- 09:00 – Placement Test
- 10:00 – Welcome Talk from Director of Studies
- 10:15 – Welcome Talk with Admissions Officer
- 11:00 – Orientation Tour
- 12:45 – Intensive students' first class
- 14:30 – Afternoon class (if students in afternoon bank)
- 18:00 – Welcome Dinner (free)

When airport transfers have not been booked

If students booked their accommodation through EC and have not booked an airport transfer they must still inform EC of their flight details one week prior to arrival.

If students are staying at a residence and have not booked an airport transfer, they should telephone EC's emergency number upon arrival at the airport/international train station etc. This will ensure that an EC representative will be at the accommodation to welcome them.

What to bring on the first day

Students should bring the following to school with on the first day,

- Passport /ID
- Visa
- Credit Card (for Accommodation damage deposit if booked in apartment)
- Passport size photo

Placement test

On their first day all students sit a placement test in order to be allocated to the most appropriate English language level.

How to get to school

Accommodation profiles are sent to all students once their accommodation is confirmed. This profile includes detailed information regarding directions and a map to school.



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Welcome Pack

An arrival letter will be sent to host families or another UK address a few days before your arrival. This contains directions to the school along with other information which students will find useful for their first day. A welcome pack with additional information for your stay will be handed out on your first day at school.

Welcome Talk

The students will be given a welcome talk by the Director of Studies and Admissions Officer. where timetables, lessons and academic information are

explained. Leisure programmes and activities are also explained at this time.

Welcome Event

Students normally spend the first day as an extended orientation lessons, which includes a welcome dinner and a guided tour of the city centre.

Lessons

Students begin lessons on the second day. Students taking intensive courses and those with an afternoon timetable in their first week begin lessons on Monday afternoon. All students are reminded to take a

notepad and pen to class.

Double banking

EC Cambridge uses an alternative timetable called Double Banking through the year. Students taking intensive courses and those with an afternoon timetable in their first week begin lessons on Monday afternoon. Students will be given the time table during welcome talk on the first day.

EC Cambridge Double Banking Timetable

Time	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
09:00 - 12:15	General English Morning Bank	General English Morning Bank	General English Morning Bank	General English Morning Bank	General English Morning Bank	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time
Intensive 12:45 - 14:15	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)	Class (For Intensive Students)
14:30 - 17:45	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	General English Afternoon Bank	General English Afternoon Bank	General English Afternoon Bank	General English Afternoon Bank	General English Afternoon Bank

Please note that this is a sample double banking timetable and variations may occur.

