

Study English in Cape Town

29 years of excellence in adult education

2024

Good Hope Studies

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learn English in a remarkable place

beautiful city

world heritage sites

young and vibrant

pleasant climate

multi-cultural

Cape Town is a truly remarkable place. As a language student, you have many opportunities to discover this beautiful city and the friendly people living here. Start a language journey and fall in love with the city and its unique culture. Hosting some of South Africa's top universities, Cape Town is full of young people and offers a great night-life.



Aloma *from Brazil*

"Cape Town is the right city to visit for people who like to have a connection with nature, like mountains, beaches, and parks.

It's an amazing opportunity to learn more about African culture, archaeology, and history. There are incredible museums and friendly people to welcome foreigners."



10 things not to be missed when visiting Cape Town

Having sundowners on top of Signal Hill
Driving along Chapman's Peak
Hiking up Table Mountain
Visiting the Cape of Good Hope
Visiting Robben Island
Having a braai (barbecue) with South Africans
Watching a rugby match
Visiting the District Six Museum
Touring through the Winelands
Visiting art shops in Kalk Bay





Local & in-dependent

Established in 1995

EAQUALS accredited

A friendly atmosphere

Personal attention

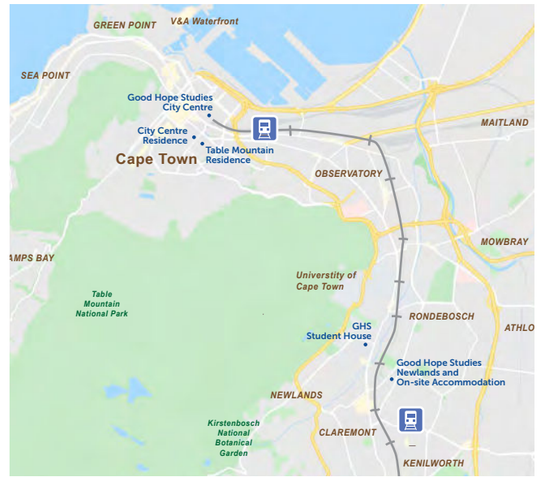
2 great locations

Good Hope Studies is a local, privately owned language school. Each of our staff members contributes to our friendly yet professional team which works together to bring you closer to your English goals and to the Capetonian way of life.

Good Hope Studies was founded by Alexander Kratochwil and Wolfgang Graser in 1995. Our idea was to open a language school that was different from all the other schools. We wanted to provide a learning environment which is relaxed and fun to study in. Instead of renting cheap office space in the noisy city centre, we started our first school in a lovely private house in the leafy residential area of Newlands. The school was close to the host families, saving students on travel time. It was also close to public transport and close to the commercial centre. Our students learnt English in the shade of an old oak tree instead of listening to the dull hum of air-conditioning. It turned out that students love our concept and they progress much faster than in a conventional environment.

Today still, we offer a school in Newlands with a garden and a swimming pool. Learning in a pleasant environment is more fun and more efficient. In addition, we also opened a second school in the city centre because we learnt that some clients just prefer the city buzz. To remain loyal to our original concept though, we have chosen a historic building which is one of the most beautiful in the area. It is also located in a pedestrian zone, providing a quiet learning environment in a busy area.

A good location and great premises are important for our clients to feel comfortable, but without our great team of staff, Good Hope Studies would not be who we are. Our staff will go to great length to ensure that everyone feels well taken care of and pro-gresses as fast as possible. We'll be delighted if you put us to the test and give us the chance to give you proof.



Chantal Jackson
Operations Manager



"Good Hope Studies has been delivering English Language Learning of the highest quality to international clients for 29 years. My team and I are committed to ensuring that your experience in Cape Town is an inspiring one!"

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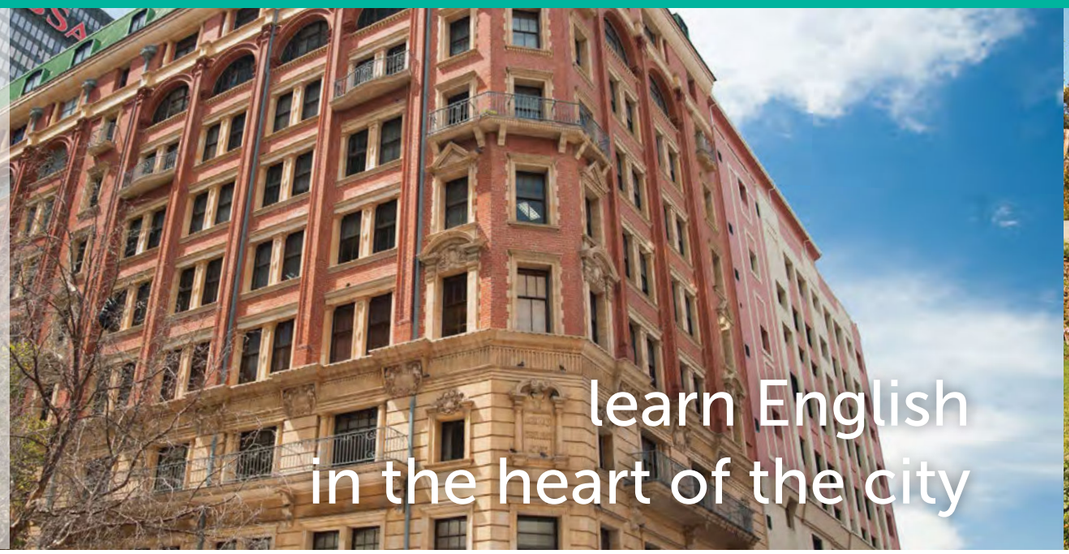
central location

classrooms with natural light

lounge & atrium

air-conditioning

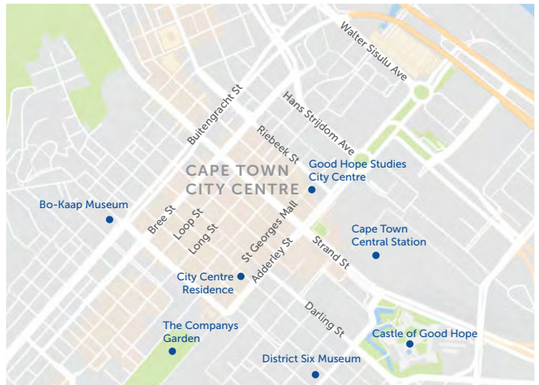
teacher training centre



learn English in the heart of the city

Our City Centre school is located in a beautiful office building in the pedestrian walkway of St. George's Mall. Here you feel the hustle and bustle of city life and enjoy the multicultural blend Cape Town is so well known for. Saint George's Mall has a lively atmosphere and includes creative street vendors and high-street shops.







90 School capacity

16 Classrooms

Free Wi-Fi

Wheelchair friendly



Filipa

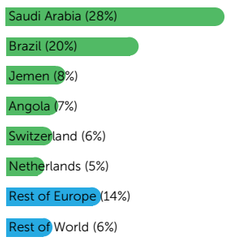
from Angola

"I enjoy the classes at Good Hope Studies and all the teachers are very kind and very professional.

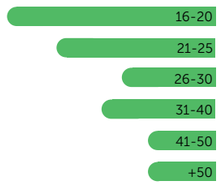
The school has a lot of people with different cultures e.g., Saudi Arabia, Brazilian, Mozambique and Germans.

I have one week left but I would love to return to the school. I have learnt a lot as the classes are very interesting."

Nationality mix



Age mix



upmarket residential area

quiet surroundings

on-site accommodation

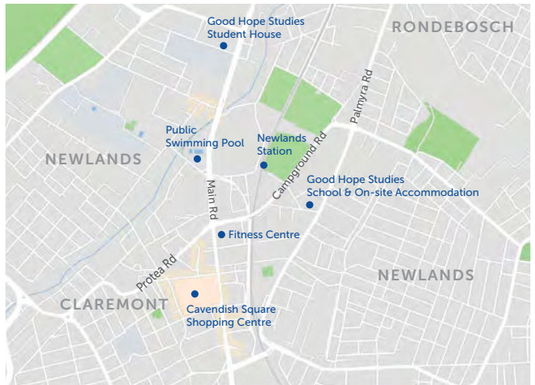
large garden with pool

close to commercial centre



learn English in an upmarket suburb

Our school in the upmarket residential area of Newlands is located in a large private building with a garden. Here you can study in a quiet and relaxed atmosphere. At the same time, you are close to all types of accommodation and only a short walk away from a commercial centre with trendy shops and restaurants.







90 School capacity

11 Classrooms

Free Wi-Fi

Wheelchair friendly



Julian

from the Netherlands

"The teachers were not only highly skilled but also incredibly supportive, making learning a language enjoyable. The school's location near the iconic mountains added to the overall charm of the experience.

I highly recommend Good Hopes Studies for anyone looking to improve their language skills in a stunning and welcoming environment."

it's all about YOU

Good Hope Studies is Eaquals accredited. After a rigorous application process, we have on-site inspections every four years by highly qualified Eaquals inspectors. When you enrol at an Eaquals-accredited centre, you are assured of international standards of the highest quality.

Each lesson takes 50 minutes. When comparing courses, keep in mind that shorter lesson times mean less progress in the time you have available.

When you book a half-day course, you can be certain that the course takes place in the mornings only, giving you more free time in the afternoon to explore the city and use your newly acquired language skills.

Eaquals accredited

50 minutes per lesson

no shifts

you

maximum 10 students

teacher training centre

start any Monday

We limit our classes to a maximum of 10 students. By keeping the group small, we offer more attention from the teacher and more interaction time in the lessons. Smaller classes mean making faster progress and higher student satisfaction.

Good Hope Studies is a teacher training centre for CELTA and Delta. These courses are approved and moderated by Cambridge English Language Assessment in England. As a training centre, we have access to the best qualified teachers available.

For your convenience, you can start a course any Monday. Our classes are organised around a 6-week cycle, after which we change the course book and students move level.



our course programme

We take your study goals seriously and support you in getting there. Our classes are highly intensive due to the small number of students in each class. Our South African teachers hold internationally recognised qualifications and are fully committed to going the extra mile for you.

Morning classes

Our morning classes for general English are ideal if you want to improve your every-day communication skills. Small classes and well-trained teachers guarantee fast progress. The course content includes grammar, lexis and all four skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing.

Our general English courses are offered at 7 levels from Beginner to Proficiency. You can book General English 20 (Monday to Friday) or General English 16 (Monday to Thursday.

Afternoon options

Add an afternoon option to your morning class to intensify your studies or improve in a specific area.

For general English, you can either book Semi-Intensive (one focus group) or Intensive (two focus groups).

If you use English mostly at work or in a business context, we recommend English for Work.

We also offer IELTS exam preparation as well as Private Lessons.

Cambridge Courses

Cambridge exams are recognised world-wide and are widely accepted by companies as proof of a certain level of English. We offer preparation courses for B2 First (FCE), C1 Advanced (CAE) and C2 Proficiency (CPE). These courses are run as full-day courses and have a set course length. They are demanding, but the outstanding pass rate of our students is the best indicator for the quality of these courses.

Timetable

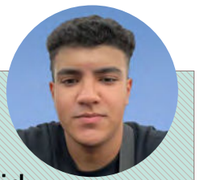
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:40	Morning class	Morning class	Morning class	Morning class	Morning class
10:40-11:00	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00-12:40	Morning class	Morning class	Morning class	Morning class	Morning class
12:40-13:30	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break	Free Afternoon
13:30-14:20	Afternoon option	Afternoon option	Afternoon option	Afternoon option	
14:20-14:30	Break	Break	Break	Break	
14:30-15:45	Afternoon option	Afternoon option	Afternoon option	Afternoon option	

Private lessons

This is ideal if you only have limited time available and want to achieve the maximum progress. For private lessons the teacher will design the curriculum around your specific needs.

Study Year

If you study 24 weeks or longer, we put a study programme together based on your individual needs. A study advisor will regularly meet with you to discuss your progress. Our Study Year students enjoy a number of further advantages like reduced course fees, changing of courses without an administration fee and taking a break from studies.



Abdulhamid

from Turkey

"Good Hope studies is a great school. The teachers and reception are nice and provide information in a professional way.

The interesting thing about this school is that the class does not exceed 10 students.

I like the school because I get to meet people from other countries."



your home away from home

friendly families · carefully selected · safe areas · regularly inspected · great homes

A homestay from Good Hope Studies is the ideal addition to a language course. In the home of a South African family, you will feel both welcome and at home. Most importantly, you can practise your language skills and get a deep insight into South African lifestyle. No other form of accommodation can offer you these important benefits.

Our homestay families are carefully selected and annually inspected by our accommodation manager. In addition, we are in regular contact with our families and receive feedback from our students.

Our families are part of the Good Hope Studies team and will try hard to make your stay comfortable and successful.

All families are situated in good residential areas close to public transport and are suitable for foreign visitors.

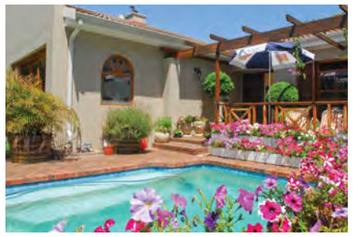
The Newlands school is situated in a residential area and many host families are within walking distance or a short trip with public transport or bicycle.



Ladina
from Switzerland

"The teachers are very supportive and ensure that every student reaches their full potential. "Thanks" to the host family, who welcomed me close to the city and always took care of me."

Homestay



- Single & double rooms
- Shared bathroom
- Self-catering, breakfast only or breakfast & dinner
- 10 to 45 minutes

This is the most popular option for staying in a South African family home. You are integrated in their daily life and have dinner with the family whenever possible. South African families are particularly well known for their hospitality and friendliness and will quickly make you feel at home.

If you choose the self-catering option, there is a kitchen available for your use and it gives you the full flexibility of eating out whenever you want to.

In case of "breakfast only", the kitchen is not available to you, but you eat out with your friends every evening.

The most popular option however is breakfast and dinner, which is not only a cost-saving option but also gives you the biggest opportunity to take part in conversations with your host.

Homestay-Plus



- Single & double rooms
- Private bathroom
- Breakfast & dinner
- 10 to 45 minutes

Especially for more mature students and for those who want to enjoy more comfort at a host family, we recommend this accommodation option. At Homestay-Plus, you enjoy a private bathroom and a higher standard of living in general.



flexible & independent

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single & twin rooms

convenient locations

self-catering

free Wi-Fi

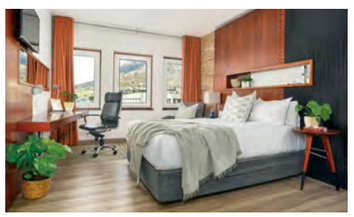
City Centre Residence



- Single & twin rooms
- En-suite bathroom
- Self-catering
- 7 minutes to the city centre school

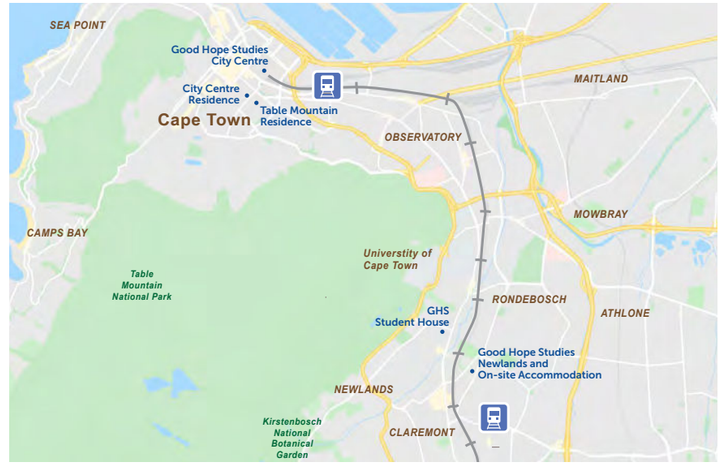
The City Centre Residence is centrally located in close walking distance to the tourist attractions in the city centre and offers high comfort for a low budget. Besides international language students, you can also find local students at this residence.

Table Mountain Residence



- Single & twin rooms
- En-suite bathroom
- Self-catering
- 12 minutes to the city centre school

The residence is located close to The Company's Garden, Parliament and Adderley Street. The school is only a short walk away. It offers high comfort for a low budget. There are self-catering facilities, a small gym and great common areas.



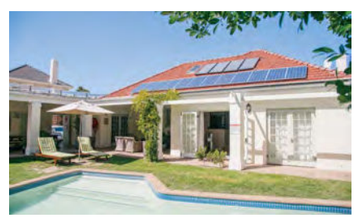
GHS Student House



- Single & twin rooms
- Shared bathroom
- Self-catering
- 14 minutes to the Newlands school

The GHS Student House is a great choice if you study at our school in Newlands. It is close to the centre of Claremont and Rondebosch, both areas where lots of local students from the University of Cape Town stay. It offers comfortable common areas, a garden with a pool and free Wi-Fi. Some of our volunteeers also stay here.

On-site Accommodation



- Single & twin rooms
- Shared bathroom
- Self-catering
- Next to the Newlands school

Here, you can stay in a spacious house right next to the school in Newlands. Besides large common areas and a self-catering kitchen, the house also offers a pool and a garden. It is situated in an upmarket residential area, in walking distance to Claremont and Rondebosch where you can find shops, bars, and restaurants.



Your learning progress is best when you immerse yourself in the language 24/7, learning during your classes, practicing at your accommodation, and communicating further while participating in the social programme. The programme gets you and your new friends to all the tourist hotspots and off-the-beaten-track highlights, practicing English throughout.

Sample itinerary of weekly activities and tours

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	Drumming	5-a-side Soccer	Soup Kitchen	Table Mountain	Cape Point	Kromriver Hike
Morning					Full-day tour to the Cape of Good Hope, Simonstown, Hout Bay and more! Enjoy a breathtaking view of Cape Point and view penguins at a large colony.	About an hour's drive outside of the city to the beautiful valley of Paarl & Worcester, we start a 2-and-a-half-hour hike towards a waterfall and natural rock-pool through the beautiful Cape fauna and flora.
Afternoon		Transfer to African Brothers in Gardens for a 5-a-side football game.	We visit a welfare organization in the Cape Flats and help with a feeding programme.	Free transfer to the Table Mountain. Hike up or take the cable car and enjoy the views.		
Evening	Transfer to the city where an experienced drummer will help you find your rhythm.			Free transfer to evening hotspots.		













Jonas

from Germany

"My time in Cape Town for language learning was fantastic. The city's lively environment and mix of cultures were great for practicing English."



around 30 projects | 15 years of experience | excellent projects | Volunteer House | transport included | donation included

Through our sister company, Good Hope Volunteers, we are able to offer a comprehensive volunteer programme. Around 30 projects are available in southern Africa. If you want to combine a language course with volunteering, there are a number of projects available in Cape Town where you can attend a language course in the morning and volunteer in the afternoon or attend a course first and volunteer after the course is finished.

None of the projects we work with could function without the dedication and hard work of volunteers from all over the world.

You will assist your project not only with your dedication, time and skills, but your financial contributions will also enable them to make their visions come true. A child's smile or a healthy animal released back into the wild are the rewards for your hard work. You also have the opportunity to experience the country in a way that no tourist ever will, make friends and broaden your horizons.



Attend a language course first

Ideally, start with a language course of your choice first and volunteer once the course is finished. You can continue staying at the same accommodation and choose any of our Cape Town based projects.

Most projects available are community projects where you work with children or elderly people. However, a nature conservation project is also available.



Learn in the morning, volunteer in the afternoon

If your English skills are at an upper-intermediate level or higher, you can attend a language course in the morning and volunteer in the afternoon. Please check our price list which projects are suitable for afternoon volunteering.

Volunteer without a course

You can join any of our volunteer projects without attending a language course. For most projects no specific skills are required apart from an English level of upper-intermediate or higher.





Caroline

from the UK

"My time at the Medical Project taught me an immeasurable amount about medicine, African culture and myself. The staff were so lovely and took the time to teach me how to use my stethoscope, how to administer injections and so much more. By the time I left I had the confidence to take consultations. It was also very special to spend a month living in and travelling to rural Namibian villages and to work with San and Herero people. Definitely an experience I will never forget."



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