

# STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMME





**GALWAY CULTURAL INSTITUTE** 

at Galway Business School

The SAY programme is specifically designed for students outside the EEA who wish to develop their skills and fluency in English, develop transferable digital and business skills and enjoy a unique experience of living and studying in Galway. SAY programme consists of 25 weeks tuition and 8 weeks holidays and it gives students the opportunity to work part-time while studying.

These courses are designed for non-native English speakers to build confidence, participate and learn by doing, seeing, and traveling. Students interested in attending university or college in Ireland are encouraged to take advantage of the university pathways programmes delivered at GCI.

Our Study Abroad Academic Year programmes are specifically designed for non-EEA students. The SAY programmes can be structured to suit everyone's requirements and a suitable study path is designed for the student based on the starting level, academic needs and learning objectives.

The SAY Business English courses are specifically designed to help you develop your career in the business field or progress into higher education programmes at our sister school, GBS.

SAY PROGRAMMES

SAY General English (+ Exam Preparation) SAY General English + Business SAY General English + ICT Skills



### **PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS**

- 25 weeks tuition + 8 weeks holidays
- 20 lessons/week
- SAY English is suitable for any levels
- SAY Business is suitable for B1+ levels
- Students must be a minimum of 18
- Attendance is obligatory but failure to have 85% attendance may result in your visa being withdrawn
- Students are allowed to work part-time (20 hrs/week) while studying
- Students are allowed to work full time (40 hrs/week) during the holidays
- Medical insurance is obligatory (€160)
- Classes start any Monday, except for bank holidays and set dates for SAY Business.
- GCI is a testing centre for Cambridge
- Students must sit an international examination at the end of their course.
- Cambridge Exams: B1 Preliminary (€160), B2 First (€205), C1 Advanced (€205)
- IELTS Exams: €240
- Holiday weeks must be decided prior to arrival
- SAY Business have set holidays as per GBS academic timetable
- You need a Social Security number (PPS) to work, and the minimum wage is €12.70 (01.01.2024)





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These are specialised courses that combine General English with Business Modules form our Galway Business School. Suitable for B1+ level, set start dates. Choose between two options below:

#### • General English + Learn To Learn (September 2025)

This course will enable you to develop the necessary learning strategies and study skills to transition and adapt to a third-level educational environment in the Irish education system. LTL Module 5 ECTS

#### • General English + Business Communications (January 2025)

This course is to offer practical and theoretical communication skills which are of significant use in business environments and are highly transferable to all aspects of a learner's life. BC Module 10 ECTS

SAY Business is suitable for B1+ levels

# SAY BUSINESS ENGLISH €4,250



- Books & materials: €75
- Registration fee : €65
- Medical Insurance: €160
- International Exams: €160 (PET), €205 (FCE/CAE), €205 (CPE), €240 (IELTS)



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These are specialised courses that combine General English with ICT Business Modules form our Galway Business School. Suitable for B1+ level, set start dates. Choose between two options below:

#### • General English + Computer Applications in Business (September 2025)

This course is designed to deliver essential ICT skills and be proficient in the use of key office applications. It will introduce you to key concepts of ICT theory and the use of computer applications in business today. CA Module 5 ECTS.

#### • General English + Quantitative Methods in Business (January 2025)

This is a highly practical course where you will acquire an understanding of the most common quantitative methods widely used in business applications. QA Module 5 ECTS

SAY ICT Skills is suitable for B1+ levels

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#### Visa Process

- Students need to book and pay for the full course before departure for Ireland.
- Students must have a minimum of 4 weeks accommodation organised in advance.
- Students must have medical insurance organised in advance.
- When you arrive at the airport, Immigration usually stamps your passport with a visa for one month.

# To validate your visa after arrival in Ireland, you need to:

- Open a bank account and deposit €4,680 in that bank account (we help you with the procedures).
- Get letters from the bank, the school and proof of medical insurance.
- Go to Immigration (GNIB) with your passport and all the necessary documents (we help you with the procedures).
- The visa / IRP Irish Residence Permit card costs €300.

# **Important Information:**

 Study Abroad Year Programmes may be subject to change because of updates to the current Immigration Guidelines and Procedures.



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