

BRITISH LEGAL CENTRE

SUMMER SCHOOLS

HELD IN DUBLIN



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The **British Legal Centre Summer Schools** are held in Dublin and County Kerry. They deliver practical legal English courses and training, covering a wide range of legal skills and law topics. We unite students and lawyers from all over the World in our residential schools, to be trained by our qualified Solicitor and Barrister instructors who also hold teaching qualifications. The courses combine intensive study with practical workshops, to train lawyers in the professional legal skills they will need in their future careers. This includes the use of legal English, Contract drafting, and Arbitration law and practice.

There are 30 hours of lessons each week and participants can register for 1, 2 or 3 weeks. The courses include a full programme of events and visits, so that the first part of the day is spent studying, and then the afternoons and evenings are spent relaxing, shopping, and just being tourists.

We will hold a range of different one-week residential courses in July and August 2019, in Dublin and County Kerry. These include a week of General legal English and Legal writing, a week of Contract Drafting, and a more specialised one week training course: Arbitration Law and Practice. You can obtain more details by contacting us at: rosalyn@blcireland.com.

We run Summer Schools in Dublin because, whilst London is Europe's financial capital, Dublin is Europe's most intriguing. We also take the participants to County Kerry, on the beautiful South West Coast of Ireland, so that they can experience the true flavour of traditional Irish hospitality.

The Dublin Summer Schools also have their own advantages over Summer Schools in the UK, not least that the Irish visa regime is easier, and much cheaper, than the UK – We have never heard of a visa application being refused and the cost is US\$ 300.00 cheaper than the UK Visa. An Irish student visa costs just Euro 60. (In the UK, the visa costs Euro 410). Everyone in Ireland speaks English as a first language. Accommodation is usually 30% cheaper than the equivalent price in the UK. The training in Dublin has its own unique flavor of Ireland. We have a truly varied program of events at the end of each training day: Social events with local lawyers, horse-racing at local racecourses, trips around historic Castles – shopping and night-life in cosmopolitan Dublin.

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OUR COURSES

Every Course includes:

- listening, writing, speaking exercises
- free Glossary with vocabulary definitions
- use of authentic documents
- advice on best professional practices



THE GENERAL LAW AND LEGAL ENGLISH COURSE

The General law and legal English course is an intensive week of study designed to equip the participants with a strong knowledge of legal vocabulary and to improve their general legal writing ability. The course involves speaking, listening and writing techniques for different styles of legal documents and court arguments, plus client correspondence, all with an emphasis on legal vocabulary. It uses commercial law topics as the subjects to practice these skills.

The Course covers: Principles of Anglo/US contract law, legal English vocabulary, Legal doctrines, Public speaking practice, legal writing practice.

Click here to see **Course dates** and **Brochure**.

THE CONTRACT DRAFTING COURSE

This is a one week master-class of commercial contract drafting, for lawyers who are already, or intend to, practice in this area of law. The training covers the meaning, use and wording of commercial contract clauses: which ones to use, and how to combine them to achieve the desired results.

The Course covers: Contract law and vocabulary, Contract remedies, The meaning and use of Warranties, Covenants, Representations, Indemnities and Guarantees. Liquidated Damages clauses. Exclusion clauses and their limitations. Boilerplate clauses. Termination clauses, Protect, Defend and Hold harmless clauses. SAAS Contract terms and related SLA agreements, NDA Agreements.

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THE ARBITRATION LAW AND PRACTICE COURSE

The one week Arbitration Law and Practice course involves the essential elements of the Law of Arbitration, together with the legal English terms and phrases needed to conduct legal work in this expanding legal area. Speaking and writing skills are also covered in depth, to prepare participants for real-life arbitration proceedings. It is therefore, suitable both for lawyers, and law students who are new to the topic, as well as for those more experienced professionals who seek to reinforce their legal knowledge and improve their legal English skills. Simulated arbitration hearings are part of the course and all participants will have the chance to practice their public speaking, arguing and persuasion skills in these sessions. All the lessons are taught by qualified British lawyers, with experience of Arbitration proceedings, who are also qualified as teachers of English as a foreign language. At the end of the course you will know and understand how arbitration procedure works and how to perform your role in arbitration proceedings.

Click **here** to see Course dates and programme.

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OUR TRAINERS

All our trainers for the Summer Schools are qualified UK lawyers, with experience of legal practice, which ensures that they are able to deal with practical legal matters that occur in real-life legal situations. You can find their details on our web-site at **Teachers** section.

They have an outstanding level of legal knowledge, and ability, coupled with the highest English language grammar and speaking skills.



**Richard
Brady**

International lawyer, also qualified in Banking and Insurance, teacher of English as a foreign language. More than 10 years experience in training legal English, law and practical legal skills.



**Rosalyn
Sheehy**

A Solicitor and an experienced international lawyer working with magic circle firms in Cayman Islands, Dubai, London and Dublin. Also a specialist in mutual funds, off-shore company formation and commercial property.



**Sarita
Saikkonen**

A Lawyer, talented legal trainer and linguist, a graduate from the University of law, London. A versatile TEFL certified trainer, speaking several languages. She has worked in law firms in London, Mumbai, Dubai and Qatar and is an experienced commercial contract drafter.



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THE RIGHT GROUP FOR YOUR ABILITY!

We know that Legal English is not easy, and that students have different levels of English language ability. We have 3 different ability levels for the groups. Check your level, for free, to ensure you choose the group most appropriate for you. This ensures that you get the maximum benefit from the course. Take **the free test** to on this website to check your level.

Level 1. Score below 20% Basic – Suitable for students who know a few words but cannot hold a conversation. This course deals with law and legal vocabulary as well teaching general conversational English.

Level 2. Score 21% – 50% Intermediate – Suitable for those who can speak English with grammar and vocabulary mistakes. These courses deal with law and legal vocabulary plus eliminating the grammar and vocabulary mistakes.

Level 3. Score 51% and above – Upper Intermediate and Advanced – Suitable for students who have a strong command of English. These courses concentrate on Law, legal skills, vocabulary and advanced legal writing techniques for contracts and litigation.





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ACCOMMODATION AND GENERAL TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

When you come to our Summer Schools, you are our guest and we want you to enjoy a relaxed atmosphere and fun activities during, what may be, your first visit to Ireland.

We can arrange accommodation for you if you contact us, or let us know your budget in advance. We can place you with host families, in hotels or apartments, even in country cottages if you prefer.

We can also arrange to collect you at the airport - help you with tourist information, and draw upon our experience and knowledge to help you get the most out of your stay.

Our aim is not only to teach and train you, but also to make sure that you experience the culture and life of the Country, city, and surrounding area to make sure you enjoy your time during your stay.



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TYPICAL DAILY SCHEDULE



We know our Summer schools will improve your legal knowledge, legal vocabulary and legal skills.

It's important for us, also, that you enjoy your stay so we stop the classes at 15:00 each day.

This will allow you to relax and become tourists.

HERE IS A TYPICAL DAY'S SCHEDULE:

09:00 – 11:00 Plain legal English writing techniques Part 1- (Writing in the active voice, writing with verbs, avoiding the passive voice) Presentation + exercises

11:00 – 11:20 Coffee break

11:20 – 12:15 Plain legal English writing techniques Part 2- (Parallel grammar constructions – making the text easier to understand by using repeated grammatical constructions in a series of sentences) Presentation + exercises

12:15 – 13:00 Writing in the Positive – (Making the message easier to write and understand by stating what must be done) Presentation + exercises

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 Brevity, concision and accuracy – (Avoiding duplication of words and ideas in sentences and texts, combining shorter sentences to improve the flow of ideas) Presentation + exercises

15:00 – Finish for the day. Free for the rest of the day and evening!



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COST: US\$ 1,000.00 PER COURSE

The cost of attendance at all the courses is the same: US\$ 1,000.00 per week. Participants are responsible for their own flight and transport costs and for the cost of their accommodation. Group discounts, and early-bird discounts, are available. We also offer a 20% discount off the course of 2nd and 3rd weeks for participants booking a longer stay to attend a different course, and we encourage everyone to take the Arbitration Law and Practice course after their first course.

Group discounts of 20% are available for bookings of 2 or more participants.



CONTACT US

We can give you friendly, no pressure, advice and information on accommodation, dates, course topics, and which course is most suitable.

Call us: 00353 85 2716883, 0044 280 144 6440

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Call us - we will always be happy to talk to you!

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