

# **CELTA** Online

(Blended Learning version – with intensive 2 weeks teaching practice)

Duration: 15 weeks Fee: £1495

Start date	25 January 2016
Teaching practice	9–20 May 2016
Final date	27 May 2016

Employers around the world ask for the CELTA qualification. It's the practical English language teaching qualification that gives you the essential knowledge, hands-on teaching experience and classroom confidence to qualify as a teacher of English as a Second Language (ESL). CELTA is great for recent graduates, people who are changing career, or teachers who want to gain a formal qualification.

(from www.cambridgeenglish.org/teaching-english/teaching-qualifications/celta/)

**New College Nottingham** and our English Language department **Nottingham English School** have delivered CELTA teacher training courses for many years, opening up a world of new opportunities for people from a range of backgrounds.

We are re-launching the '**CELTA Online**' programme in January 2016 to provide a unique alternative model of study. Instead of the requirement at many providers for the course's practical teaching component to be spread over 4 or more weeks, we have designed ours to be completed in an intensive 2 week block. The theory aspect is studied online, in your own time over a period of 12 weeks.

This pioneering version of the course, **unique in the UK**\* will be popular with those already in full time work; the ability to complete the online element at a time to suit you, and requirement for just 2 weeks leave rather than 4, makes this a qualification you can gain without disrupting your current employment. (\*to the best of our knowledge at time of going to press)

If you need to travel to Nottingham to complete the practical element, we can assist with finding suitable Homestay accommodation. If you require a visit visa or short term study visa, we can advise how this would work in more detail, just contact us (details below).

## Eligibility and entry requirements

This course is potentially available to anyone over the age of 18, who:

- Has a certified English level at CEFR level C1-C2+ or higher
- Has completed at least A level or equivalent study
- Is legally living in the UK, EU Citizens, or anyone with a UK visa or immigration status that permits short-term study.

There is also a rigorous interview and selection process to ensure applicants have the aptitude for the intensive nature of the course.

# Course content (5 main topics)

The main topics of the course are:

- Learners and teachers, and the learning and teaching context.
- Language analysis and awareness
- Language skills: reading, listening, speaking and writing
- Planning and resources for different teaching contexts
- Developing teaching skills and professionalism

#### How is the course structured and timetabled?

This is a 'blended learning' course, which includes both online and face to face components. In the first 12 weeks of the course you will study teaching theory, and language and grammar awareness in our online component. You will take part in forum discussions, complete written assignments, and have regular online meetings with your tutors and peers via our online virtual classroom.

This is followed by our 2 week intensive practical component, in which you will attend face to face teaching theory seminars to supplement your online learning, observe experienced teachers, and most importantly, gain valuable teaching practice and experience. Here you will plan and teach a total of 6 hours of lessons. These lessons are evaluated by your tutor, who will give you feedback on your lessons and support your development as a teaching professional. Finally, there is an online wrap-up week in which you will reflect on everything that you have learnt over the course.

#### How 'intensive' is the teaching practice element?

In a word... "very"! From day one, you will be expected to stand in front of a class, and you'll be teaching your own lesson from day two! You'll need to provide detailed lesson plans and language analysis for a total of 8 lessons. You'll be expected to show progress from lesson to lesson and work on the points raised in your tutors' feedback sessions. During this you'll also be attending teaching theory seminars, observing both experienced and peer teachers, and working on a written assignment for your portfolio. This is no easy undertaking, and most trainees find that they have at least a couple of late nights in this part of the course!

## How can I find out more, and apply?

You can email the team at <u>celta@ncn.ac.uk</u> You can also call us on **0115 838 0516 / 0897**. Complete the application form and home based task, and either post or email this to us, we will then be in contact regarding interview dates and the next steps.

#### How can I pay?

If you are offered a place we will provide details of how to pay, by bank transfer or by card at any of the **ncn** campuses in Nottingham: City - Adams, Clarendon, or Basford Hall.

- A non-refundable deposit of £100 will secure your place on the course.
- If you require a visa support letter, a different process is used, and subject to full payment, contact us for more details.

Where will my teaching practice take place? City Centre: The Adams Building, Stoney Street, Lace Market, Nottingham, NG1 1NG