

Study English in Cape Town

28 years of excellence in adult education

2023



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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.



Seline from Switzerland

"Cape Town is such a beautiful city. Firstly, this city includes mountains as well as the ocean. One thing that one cannot see at many places in the world. Furthermore, here we have peaceful nature just some minutes away. Finally, the city has its roots in an interesting history. You can visit a great number of places to discover the history of South Africa which might help one try to understand certain things."



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 & independent

Established in 1995

EAQUALS accredited

A friendly atmosphere

Personal attention

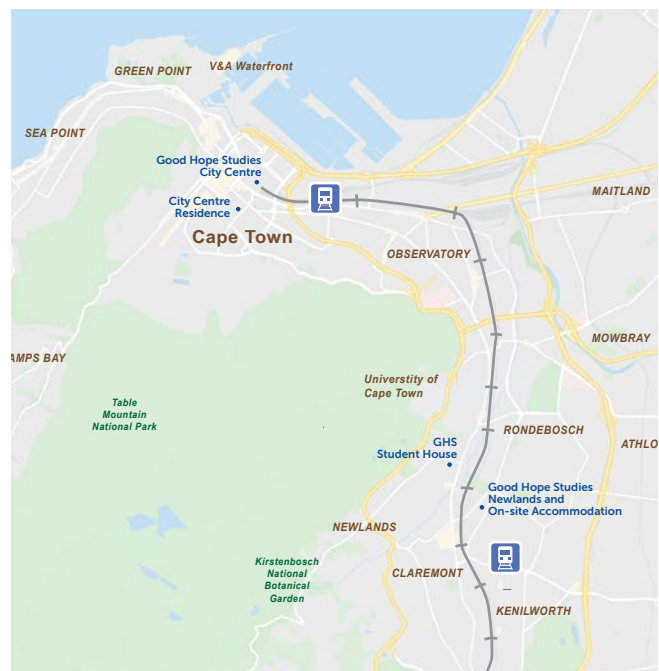
2 great locations

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 progresses as fast as possible. We'll be delighted if you put us to the test and give us the chance to give you proof.

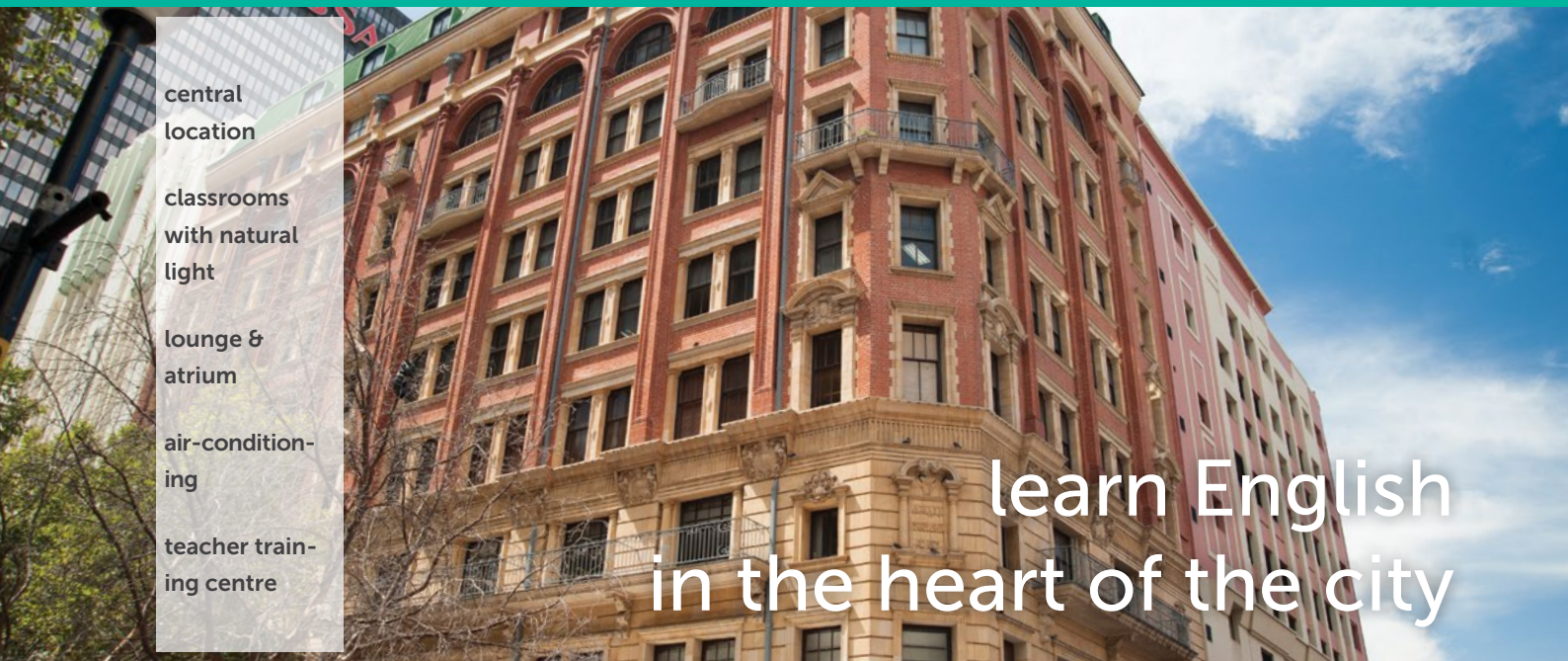


Chantal Jackson

Operations Manager

"Good Hope Studies has been delivering English Language Learning of the highest quality to international clients for over 27 years. My team and I are committed to ensuring that your experience in Cape Town is an inspiring one!"

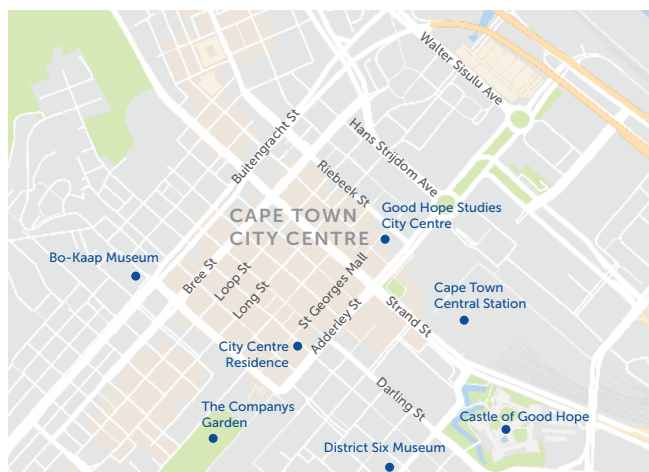




- central location
- classrooms with natural light
- lounge & atrium
- air-conditioning
- teacher training centre

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

Saleh

from Yemen

"Attending an international, sophisticated school with cutting edge tools in the middle of the city is the best thing students can ever have because everything is close to it due to its central location. Entertainment ranging from outdoor activities and adventures in the sun to a roaring night life under neon signs make the city school the ideal location."



Nationality mix

- Saudi Arabia (28%)
- Brazil (20%)
- Switzerland (13%)
- Germany (8%)
- Angola (6%)
- France (2%)
- Rest of Europe (12%)
- Rest of Africa (6%)
- Far East (3%)
- Rest of World (3%)

learn English in an upmarket suburb

upmarket
residential area

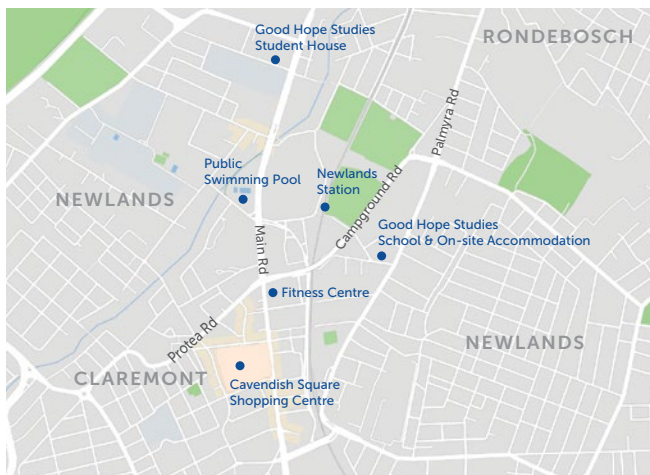
quiet
surroundings

on-site
accom-
modation

large garden
with pool

close to com-
mercial centre

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.



Age mix

16-20

21-25

26-30

31-40

41-50

+50

Luciana

from Brazil

"Being a student at Good Hope Studies is a fantastic experience. The teacher and staff are more than workers - they're friends! They are kind and very attentive. Choosing this school was the best decision I could have made. I'm improving my knowledge and English skills and I'm growing in respect and tolerance because we contact with different people and cultures. Staying here has helped me to be more easygoing and to think out of the box!"



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it's all about YOU

Good Hope Studies is Equals accredited. After a rigorous application process, we have on-site inspections every four years by highly qualified Equals inspectors. When you enrol at an Equals-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.

**Equals
accredited**

**50 minutes
per lesson**

no shifts

you

**maximum
10 students**

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.

**teacher
training
centre**

**start any
Monday**

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 5-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 these classes Monday to Friday (**GENERAL ENGLISH 20**) or Monday to Thursday (**GENERAL ENGLISH 16**).

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 one focus group (**SEMI-INTENSIVE**) or two focus groups (**INTENSIVE**).

If you use English mostly at work or in a business context, we recommend **ENGLISH FOR WORK**.

We further offer **IELTS** and **TOEFL** 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 **FCE**, **CAE** and **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.

PRIVATE LESSONS are available both half-day and full-day.

Study Year

If you study 24 weeks or longer, we put a study programme together based on your individual needs. An 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.



Ayman

from Egypt

"I have broken down barriers that are between me and the world with Good Hope Studies. The English language was always standing cutting me off from people. The right school to choose is Good Hope Studies because it is the ideal atmosphere to learn with highly qualified teachers. They teach with passion. The classes are small, it is easy for everyone to understand. I recommend Good Hope Studies for everyone who wants to learn."



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.

Homestay

Room options: single room with shared bathroom. Double room available if two people book together.

Meal options: Self-catering, breakfast only and breakfast & dinner.

Travel distance to school: 10-45 min.

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.

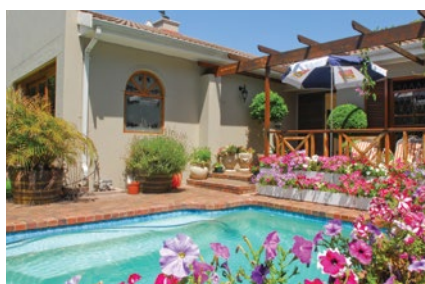
Homestay-Plus

Room options: single room with private bathroom. Double room available if two people book together.

Meal options: breakfast & dinner

Travel distance to school: 10-45 min.

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.



Anna

from Germany

"To choose a homestay was a very good decision. You don't only have the opportunity to improve your English, but on top you learn something about another culture. I've met such lovely people, who take care for me very well."

independent, comfortable

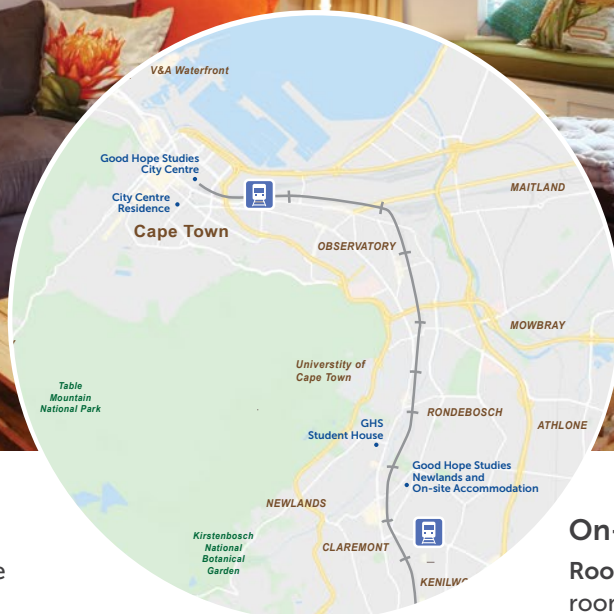
enjoy the
flexibility and
independence
of a residence

single and
shared rooms

convenient
locations

self-catering

free Wi-Fi



City Centre Residence

Room options: twin and single rooms, en-suite bathroom.

Meal options: Self-catering.

Travel distance to the city centre school: 7 minutes (walking).

If you prefer residence accommodation and study at our school in the City Centre, then this is your first choice. It 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 also find local students at this residence.

On-site accommodation

Room options: Twin and single rooms, shared bathroom.

Meal options: Self-catering.

Travel distance to the Newlands school: On-site.

Here, you 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 find shops, bars, and restaurants.

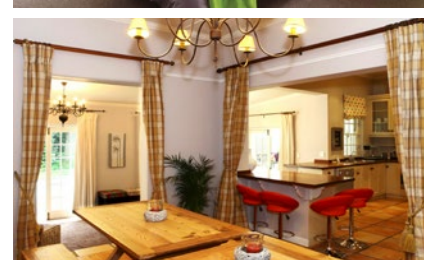
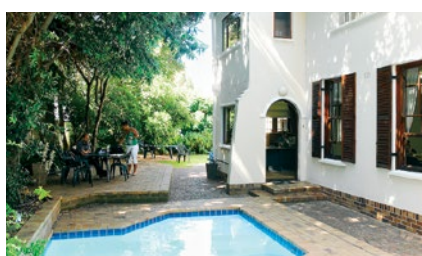
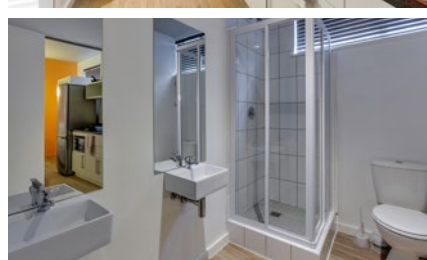
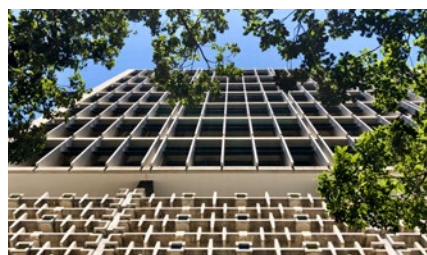
GHS Student House

Room options: twin and single rooms, shared bathroom.

Meal options: Self-catering.

Travel distance to the Newlands school: 14 minutes (walking).

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 were lots of local students from the University of Cape Town stay. It offers comfortable common areas, a garden with a pool and free WiFi. It is also the accommodation where some of our volunteers stay.



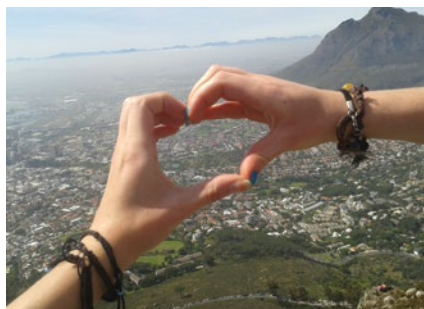
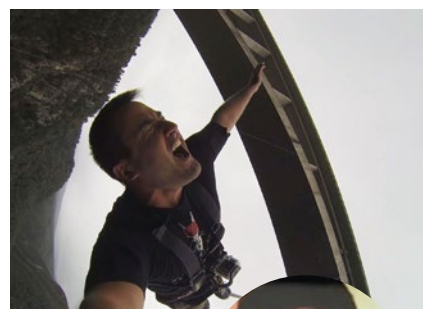
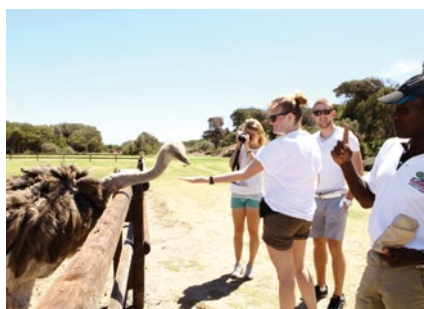
make new friends



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.

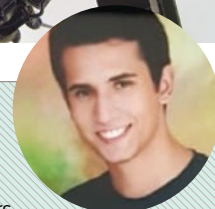
Sample itinerary of weekly activities and tours

	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.		



Augusto

from Brazil



"The school offers the students a huge range of different activities from wonderful hikes to wine tastings and they are all very well organised with a very professional and prepared group of guides".



become a Good Hope Volunteer

around
30 projects

10 years of
experience

the best
available
projects

stay at our
Volunteer
House

transport
included

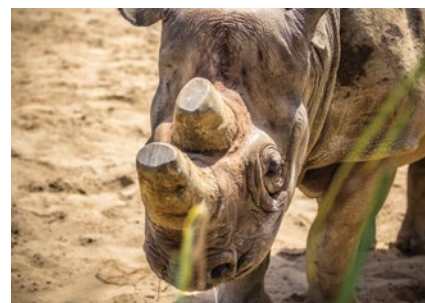
donation
included

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.

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



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.

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.

Jessica

from Brazil



"The experience was way more than I expected. I got to practice my English, to learn how to live with other people with different cultures in the backpackers, and of course, work with the amazing children. It really amazed me how they're loving of anyone who comes in to help. ... The community of Imizamo Yethu is so warm and loving, it is truly amazing to see how they can be happy with so little. It really gives you a chance to rethink about what matters in life."

Other programmes

English Plus

If you need more than one excuse to spend some time in one of the most beautiful cities in the world, here they are. Combine your English language course in the morning with any of three options in the afternoon.



English + immersion

Study English in the morning and immerse with local people and culture in the afternoon. Our activities allow you to get a deep understanding for the people of Cape Town and its diverse culture, while using what you learned in real-life situations.

Sample itinerary (subject to availability):

Monday: We explore the city centre.

Tuesday: Township visit and meet locals.

Wednesday: We prepare a Cape Malay dish.

Thursday: We visit a food garden.



English + volunteering

If you want to volunteer at one of our social projects but you don't have time after your English course, you can volunteer in the afternoons. Most of our Cape Town based projects are suitable for afternoon volunteering.

Through our sister company, Good Hope Volunteers, we supply a great number of projects with volunteers who provide much needed support to the local community.



English + surfing course

Ever wanted to learn surfing? Muizenberg beach near Cape Town is one of the best spots in the world to learn how to master the surf board.

Take a private transfer four times a week to Muizenberg beach and enjoy private lessons from a professional instructor. The course is suitable for absolute beginners as well as anyone who has surfed before.

Tertiary education

Good Hope Studies has started a partnership with Inscape, a leading provider of postgraduate and undergraduate courses. Through Inscape, we offer four higher-certificate courses that students can take after reaching the required level of English at Good Hope Studies.



Courses: Architectural Technology, Interior Decorating, Fashion Design, Design Techniques

Duration: 1 year full-time contact learning

Starting: February 2023 and 2024

Course type: Higher Certificate

Course details

8x 1h45 min sessions per week

Continuous project-based assessment with final portfolio submission

240 hours of experiential training to be completed

Agency details