Cambridge English



CELTA

Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Cambridge CELTA Course Online – FAQs

What is the Cambridge CELTA Course Online?

The Cambridge CELTA Course Online (or CELTA Online) is a flexible way to take CELTA. It leads to the CELTA qualification and is assessed and moderated according to the same criteria.

Like the face-to-face *CELTA* course, *CELTA Online* has a significant practical component. You will complete 6 hours of assessed teaching practice in groups, and teach at least eight times with face-to-face feedback and reflection.

What are the benefits of CELTA Online?

- Flexible: You can access the online materials at any time, giving you the flexibility to plan your *CELTA* work around your other professional and personal commitments.
- Accessible: Because only part of the course requires face-to-face tuition, accommodation and travel costs are reduced.

How can an online CELTA course contain a practical element?

CELTA Online is a blended learning course, with both online and face-to-face elements. Teaching practice is face-to-face and the interactive online materials have a strong practical emphasis.

The course achieves the same objectives as face-to-face courses, i.e. developing effective, principled teaching practice.

How long are the courses?

Courses run over a minimum of 10 weeks to a maximum of an academic year. To check course dates, contact your local centre: www.cambridgeenglish.org/find-a-centre/find-a-teaching-centre

How is the online component of the course structured?

There are a number of units of online, interactive material based on the *CELTA* syllabus topics. Forum and 'live room' (virtual real-time classroom) tasks are integrated throughout the course. You work independently or collaboratively on these tasks, with tutor support, evaluation and comment.

How will teaching practice be organised?

Teaching practice groups are the same as for face-to-face courses in terms of:

- levels taught
- numbers of teaching practice students
- range of lesson types
- number of times you teach
- length of lessons.



You will teach for a total of 6 hours, spread over a minimum of eight occasions, with peers observing.

Teaching practice will be arranged by your centre either throughout the course or in blocks. You will continue with your online study during the teaching practice phase(s).

Will the fact that I've taken CELTA Online appear on my certificate?

No. CELTA Online leads to exactly the same certificate as the face-to-face CELTA. Assessed outcomes are the same for all trainees, so there is no need for separate certification. Courses are assessed locally. The assessor observes face-to-face teaching practice and has access to online materials.

How much does the CELTA Online cost?

The cost of taking the course depends on where you take it. For further information, contact your local centre: www.cambridgeenglish.org/find-a-centre/find-a-teaching-centre

