

Community & leisure

# Language courses

at South Staffordshire College



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## SPANISH LANGUAGE

Introduction/Beginners 1, 2 & 3/Intermediate/Conversation

**Whether you are a complete beginner or looking to enhance your Spanish skills, we offer courses at all levels.**

The **Introduction to Spanish** course is for the complete beginner who would like to learn Spanish for their holidays and have fun whilst doing so!

From there you can progress to **Beginners 1, 2 & 3** and then **Intermediate**, using a balance of the four key elements of language learning: listening, speaking, reading and writing to develop your knowledge and abilities within the topic areas.

The **Conversation** class will be a continuation of the intermediate course. In these classes you will have the opportunity to practice conversation using simple language with clear pronunciation, about basic topics such as meeting people, tourist information, shopping and ordering food and drink..

“I love to meet new people that want to learn Spanish. As a Spanish speaking teacher, I enjoy sharing my language and culture. Lessons are relaxed and friendly. I am looking forward to meeting you!”

Edith Gaxiola, Tutor

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## FRENCH LANGUAGE

Introduction/Beginners 1, 2 & 3/Intermediate/Conversation

**Do you have a love of France and its culture? Are you committed to spending time learning a new language and sharing your experiences in a class of like-minded people?**

The **Introduction to French** course is for the complete beginner who has the desire to learn French in a fun way. The **Beginners 1, 2 and 3** courses will help develop your knowledge of French grammar rules (using nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives etc.), whilst receiving constructive tutor feedback to tasks undertaken.

Progression to the **Intermediate** and **Conversation** courses will develop these skills further, enabling you to communicate effectively with native speakers, with the emphasis on oral and aural skills. Reading and writing will be practiced mainly through homework set at end of lessons.

"I have been teaching French to adults at SSC for 15 years. I teach Beginners level, which I thoroughly enjoy. It is very satisfying to witness learners' progress from no knowledge to reaching the end of the course and having the skills and confidence in their chosen language."

Margaret Coleman,  
Tutor

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## ITALIAN LANGUAGE

Introduction/Beginners 1, 2 & 3/Intermediate/Conversation

### We have courses at all levels, to improve your Italian speaking and listening skills!

If you are a complete beginner, the **Introduction to Italian** course is a good starting point for you.

Continue on to **Beginners 1, 2 & 3** courses and then the **Intermediate** course to improve your skills. As well as conversational Italian, you'll gain transferable skills useful to employers, for example, working in a team, social and communication skills, respect for others and overall increased confidence.

The **Conversation** course will enable you to acquire advanced speaking and listening skills so that you can communicate effectively with native speakers. This is a leisure course with no formal qualifications at the end. However, some previous students have successfully applied for jobs in Italy or have used the language in their jobs in England.

“I have been teaching Italian classes at SSC for the past 3 years, and have been enjoying my classes very much. I particularly enjoy interacting with students who are all very keen to learn and I am looking forward to welcoming new students who are prepared to give it a go.”

Anna Arcidiacono, Tutor

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## GERMAN LANGUAGE

Beginners 1, 2 & 3/Intermediate/Conversation

**Would you like to develop your knowledge of German, and learn to communicate when going to Germany on holiday or business?**

Starting with the **Beginners 1,2 & 3** courses, then progressing on to the **Intermediate** and **Conversation** courses, you'll develop your knowledge of German grammar rules and how to use nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives etc.

You'll be able to communicate at a basic level in German within the three topic areas covered when going on holiday or business to Germany, or interacting with German family members.

You'll also gain knowledge of German culture, for example, food, festivals, music, cinema, TV programmes, geography and news items.

"I have over 20 years of language teaching experience, specialising in adult learning. I find it rewarding to enable learners to acquire necessary skills in an informal and fun fashion, in order for them to enjoy the benefits of learning a foreign language."

Alma Smith, Tutor

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## INTRODUCTION TO UKRAINIAN

**Would you like to learn essential language skills to understand and converse in Ukrainian? Are you hosting Ukrainian refugees and would like to learn the language?**

This course will help you to start learning Ukrainian in easy and convenient way. You will learn how to read in Ukrainian and understand spoken language, learn basic grammar, vocabulary, and useful phrases.

As well as listening, reading and speaking, a little writing will be necessary, though the emphasis is upon oral communication. Learners will also be equipped and have the confidence to progress to the next level of learning if desired.

“It is very beneficial to enrol on this course to learn a few words, phrases and sentences to enable you to communicate with your guests in their language, making them feel more at ease, building confidence and resulting in a better relationship between hosts and guests.”

Patricia Rose, Tutor

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## ESOL

### Introduction to ESOL/ESOL Progression

**Are you from a country that doesn't speak English? Do you want to speak, understand, read and write better English? If your answers are 'Yes', then our English for speakers of other languages (ESOL) courses are for you!**

Our **Introduction to ESOL** and **ESOL Progression** courses can help you with your English in everyday life, for example at work, finding a job, or using public services like going to the doctor. If you have children at school in the UK, then you can help them with their English homework. Learn how English grammar works, to understand the language better and help with any future English studies.

Or, if you just want to meet new people and speak to them in English, these courses are for you!

"I am from a diverse background and culture, and have lived in four different countries. The interaction and rapport with students from different countries is an excellent way to learn, teach, enhance and incorporate different teaching techniques and topics within my lessons."

Patricia Rose, Tutor

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# BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE

## Introduction to BSL/BSL Level 1

**Our courses can help you to learn basic sign language skills to communicate simple conversations with deaf people, as well as giving you an understanding of deaf etiquette.**

Start off with the **Introduction to BSL** course, with the option to progress further with the **BSL Level 1** course. We will cover topics common to conversations when meeting new people, such as introductions, greetings, family and descriptions.

Learn about appropriate etiquette and the directness of the deaf community as well as the importance of good eye contact, facial expressions and body language.

Build your confidence and communication skills and improve your receptive skills, utilising your own natural gestures, facial expressions and body language when communicating in sign language.

“I believe that everyone should learn sign language, young and old, so that we can all communicate with each other better and break down those barriers to communication that can be challenging to deaf and hearing people alike. I really love to see people making friends and growing in confidence as they learn new things.”

Tina Hunt, Tutor

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