



Call for Proposals – PE01

English Academic course in the UK for a Group of Peruvian Undergraduate University Students

2 - 3 weeks

January – February 2020

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UK-based, 2 or 3 week intensive English-language course for a group of 20 to 30 Peruvian university students (18/25 years old) - preferably homestays) | CEFR: B1 – B2

A client of the British Council in Peru is looking for <u>a University</u> in the UK to provide an intensive 2 or 3 -week Academic English course (CEFR B1 - B2), which is to be complemented by a content-based programme with focus on New technologies (cryptocurrencies, blockchain), Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

If you're not a University, at least 50% of your proposal will need to be affiliated with a University as the Peruvian University looks to award credits to their students for their time in the UK.

In the mornings, we would like the proposals to include an EAP programme to develop academic skills such as reading/writing for academic purposes, developing effective oral presentations, and the like. In the afternoons we would like proposals to include classes/seminars that offer cross curricular academic experiences in areas related to new technologies and innovation and a programme of activities and visits related to the above indicated (for example, lectures or department visits, or visits to sites in the UK relating to management and innovation), considering they will come from different majors. This leading Peruvian university wants their students to enhance their academic language skills, immerse themselves in a UK Higher Education environment and experience British everyday life with the purpose of enhancing intercultural skills.

The call is open to all institutions who can comply with the requirements set below.

I. Duration: 2 or 3 weeks (please, present both options)

II. Course Dates: January – February 2020

III. Group Description:

- A group of minimum 10 Spanish-speaking undergraduate students from a University in Peru. Students come from a diverse range of disciplines.
- The students are wishing to improve their productive communicative skills (speaking and writing) and develop their ability to perform in content-based learning experiences related to their fields.

- Age range: 18-25
- One chaperone will accompany the group.
- There is flexibility as to whether 20 to 30 students will travel to the UK if a price difference occurs (per student) for these different group sizes, please state this in your proposal.

IV. Course Description:

- English for Academic Purposes component: Majority of students in the group have attained a CEFR B1 B2 level, though they may lack the necessary confidence and practice to perform their productive skills as desired, so we would like proposals to include placement level testing, and the ability to offer students a course that suits their interest and places emphasis on the development of their receptive and productive skills. Studying/research skills should also be included in the proposals.
- This EAP course should be complemented with cross curricular learning experiences that cover areas related to new technologies and innovation (for different majors), aimed at building on their professional training and intercultural skills.

The ideal split the client is looking for is approximately:

- 60% of hours per week of Academic English
- 40% of hours per week cross curricular learning experiences relating to new technologies, entrepreneurships and innovation (such as visits, lectures, workshops, etc.).

V. Visit plan:

Proposals should include visits to UK sites or institutions that are of special importance in the professional field that students are pursuing (in this instance, related to the topics mentioned in IV. Course Description).

VI. Provider requirements:

Our client is ideally looking for proposals from a UK University.

VII. Class organisation and general aspects

Open or closed group

- Students will always need to be guaranteed internet access while at the institution premises and residence/homestay.
- Students will need to be guaranteed a private study space at home and at the institution.

VIII. Cultural Activities (afternoons and weekends)

These are additional components of the course which will enable students to learn more about the country, its people and culture. If the quote includes proposals for additional cultural activities, the latter should be planned ahead of time and have a learning objective, preferably linked to what students are learning in the classroom. Activities around British culture and cross curricular learning experiences are highly recommended.

A detailed programme of activities and Institution Activity Leaders assigned will be requested if selected.

IX. Accommodation:

The Language School will arrange accommodation according to the details below:

- For 12 students in individual school homestay (first preference) or residence (second preference)
- Quote for accommodation for the accompanying teacher, including transportation from/to nearest airport if institution is located in a different city.
- Meals: breakfast, lunch and dinner for all students and accompanying adults lunch can be provided at the institution if institution supplies vouchers or stipend.

X. Budget

The budget should include the items listed below considering net prices.

- Course fees including registration fee
- Placement test on arrival and exit
- Final certification
- Course materials
- Accommodation
- Meals

 Bus/travel passes for local transportation – private local transportation (first preference) public local transportation (second preference)

• Transfers directly from nearest airport to homestay (roundtrip)

Weekend full days

Cultural immersion activities

The cancellation policy for the course should also be included.

XI. Selection criteria

All proposals deemed to comply with the above requirements will be reviewed by the British Council, who will shortlist three proposals to be reviewed by our partner. Final selection will be made by the partner.

ACTION REQUIRED

Proposals should be sent to Pia Reategui <u>pia.reategui@britishcouncil.org</u> by no later than Tuesday, 10 September 2019 <u>using the submission template enclosed</u>. Subject line: "PE – 01: Proposal for General English + ESP for Peruvian University Students, 2020".

Proposals will be assessed according to compliance with the terms of reference above and breakdown of costs/budget. Institutions which are not contacted by 21 September 2019, will have not been shortlisted. Once a winning bid is confirmed we will announce the results through Newswire.

Due to the high volume of submissions we receive, we are unable to provide feedback on individual proposals.

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