



INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS SUMMER 2024

POSITIONS:

- ACTIVITY ORGANISER
- HOUSE MANAGER

ABOUT STUDIO CAMBRIDGE

Studio Cambridge was founded in Cambridge in 1954. It is the oldest established language school in the city. It is a privately owned, independent school, and not part of a big chain. It is renowned for its friendly, family atmosphere with both students and staff. The school is recognised by the British Council and is a member of English UK. Studio Cambridge is open throughout the year teaching English to students from all over the world.

SUMMER CAMPS

We have been running summer camps for over 50 years. We aim to provide students with a unique experience. For many of them it will be their first trip abroad and their first trip away from home unaccompanied by parents.

We want them to feel happy and confident while living and studying in a new country. We develop their language skills in a comfortable, safe and relaxed learning environment, and we ensure that they have lots of fun – in class, during activities and on excursions. Our summer camps are based in 2 locations: Cambridge and Ely.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH COURSES

We provide Intensive English Courses throughout the year and during the summer we provide them to students aged 16+ in Cambridge.

STAFF

We are looking for residential and non-residential staff to assist in running our Summer Camps and Intensive English Courses. The positions available include:

Course Directors / Welfare Officers / Activities Coordinators
Teaching Coordinators / EFL Teachers
Activity Organisers / House Managers

COURSE LOCATIONS

CENTRE NAME	AGES	LOCATION
Sir Edward	9-13	King's Ely, Cambridgeshire
Sir Laurence	13-16	Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge University, Cambridge
Sir Michael	13-17	Main School, Cambridge
Sir Christopher	16-17	Ridley Hall and Newnham College, Cambridge University, Cambridge
Adult English Courses	16+/Adults	Main School, Cambridge

COURSE DATES

CENTRE NAME	COURSE DATES*	LENGTH OF CONTRACTS AVAILABLE
Sir Edward	7 July to 4 August	2-4 weeks
Sir Laurence	30 June to 4 August	3-5 weeks
Sir Michael	30 June to 25 August	2-8 weeks
Sir Christopher	30 June to 11 August	2-6 weeks
Adult English Courses	30 June to 25 August	2-8 weeks

STAFF ACCOMMODATION

CENTRES	STAFF ACCOMMODATION
Sir Edward, Sir Laurence , Sir Michael, Sir Christopher	Full-board accommodation is available for most staff
	Some positions are non-residential
Adult English Courses	Accommodation is not available for staff

POSITIONS

ACTIVITY ORGANISER	
SKILLS, QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE	DUTIES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enthusiasm required • Responsibility required • Energy and flexibility for long hours required • Native speaker level of English required • Interest in sports, arts and crafts or cultural activities required • Experience of working with age group is preferable • Experience of working with international students desirable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervise and lead activities and excursions • Provide pastoral care to students • Assist with welcoming new students <p>For residential positions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervise, and be responsible for, students in the residence
HOURS	
RESIDENTIAL	Up to 48 hours per week, one full day off each week
NON-RESIDENTIAL	Up to 40 hours per week, one day off each week
PAY	
RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY ORGANISER	£480 basic + £57.94 holiday pay = £537.94 per week The accommodation offset rate is £69.93 per week. Pay for training and check-in day: £85 + £10.26 per day
NON-RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY ORGANISER	£460 basic + £55.52 holiday pay = £515.52 per week Pay for training day = £70 + £8.45

HOUSE MANAGER	
SKILLS, QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE	DUTIES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enthusiasm required • Responsibility required • Energy and flexibility for long hours required • Native speaker level of English required • Experience of working with age group is desirable • Experience of working in a residential setting desirable • First aid qualification desirable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take responsibility for leading boarding duties in your residence • Supervise and lead activities and excursions • Provide pastoral care to students • Assist with welcoming new students • Provide first aid if required
HOURS	
Up to 48 hours per week, one full day off each week	
PAY	
£500 + £60.35 holiday pay = £560.35 per week. The accommodation offset rate is £69.93 per week. Pay for training and check-in day: £85 + £10.26 holiday pay per day	

FURTHER INFORMATION

RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION AT CENTRES

Where residential accommodation is included with the position, it is usually a single room with shared bathroom facilities, in residences shared with students and includes full-board meals. Staff are responsible for students on-site. Living where you work can make it difficult to fully unwind during time off and we encourage staff to go off-site on their days off.

ROTA

Staff are given their rota for the coming week, each week. Precise scheduling is difficult as activities, excursions and residential duties can take less or more time than expected. Staff hours on the rota will often be below those in the contract. We are looking for staff who are flexible.

STUDENT TIMETABLE

Students have 15-21 hours of tuition, plus a full programme of daytime and evening social activities as well as full-day excursions each week.

STUDENTS

In recent years, students from over 50 countries have joined our courses. Some students come in groups with a group leader, who may be the agent, a teacher or a student doing vacation work. However, many students come unaccompanied. Students generally stay for 2, 3 or 4 weeks.

CLASSES

Classes are multinational, with students divided according to their level of English. This is determined by a placement test taken in advance. Levels range from beginner to advanced and we have a maximum of 16 students in each class. The lessons are taught following a syllabus and all teaching materials are provided.

ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS

In addition to the lessons, we provide a wide range of activities at each centre. Activities may involve sports, arts and crafts or cultural visits. Excursions are full-day visits and destinations include places such as London, Warwick Castle, Brighton and Oxford.

PRE-COURSE TRAINING

All staff are obliged to attend pre-course training sessions which will usually take place at the course centre on the Saturday and Sunday at the start of the course. Staff are paid additionally for their participation in the training. The sessions look at health and safety, organising activities, supervising excursions, welfare and discipline procedures, and teaching. It is also an opportunity to clear up any questions or worries you may have. Course Directors and Assistant Course Directors receive training (usually at the main school) prior to the start of the course.

CHECK-IN DAY

All non-teaching residential staff are obliged to help with setting up the centre and welcoming the students on the first Sunday of the course. Staff are paid additionally for check-in day.

PAY

Salaries are paid weekly, one week in arrears, into UK bank accounts. As the contract periods are too short for holiday to be taken, all holiday pay accrued is paid the week after the final week's pay.

NON-RESIDENTIAL POSITIONS Non-residential positions do not include meals.

APPLYING TO WORK AT STUDIO CAMBRIDGE

APPLICATIONS

Please send a covering letter and CV to the following email address:

jobs@studiocambridge.co.uk

Your covering letter should include the dates you will be available to work, which job(s) you would like to apply for, and whether you would prefer a residential or non-residential position.

If you are invited to the next stage of our recruitment process, you will be asked to explain any gaps in your CV during the interview.

We do not set a deadline for applications as we continue to accept student bookings into the summer. However, recruitment generally begins in February and most positions are filled by the end of May.

INTERVIEWS

Interviews take place in-person at the Studio Cambridge main school in Cambridge or via Zoom.

Please note that we are unable to provide expenses for travel to in-person interviews.

OFFERS OF EMPLOYMENT

Offers of employment are made dependent on receiving 2 references satisfactory to us and on receiving a signed copy of the contract.

In addition, we will carry out a DBS check and offers of employment are made dependent on clarification of any criminal record. Please ensure you bring the appropriate DBS documents to interview. Applicants from overseas must also provide a police check from the country they reside in.

Offers of employment for academic staff are made dependent on candidates showing us their original teaching and degree certificates.

Studio Cambridge is committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of all of its students and expects all staff to share this commitment.

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