

ESC EASTBOURNE

"The school is amazing and they have a lot of stuff for international students"

Student of ESC
Eastbourne College

State School

East Sussex College - Eastbourne Campus East Sussex, UK

A state college in the coastal town of Eastbourne offering a wide range of A-Level, BTEC and vocational pathways for students aged 16–18. The campus includes a British Council–accredited English language centre. Eastbourne is best for students seeking university progression, specialist subject variety and access to English support during their studies.



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STEM



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Quick Facts

Founded: 2018 as a part of East Sussex College Group (est. 1867)

Ofsted rating: Good (Group level)

Climate: Cool winters and warm summers

Accepting students: Age 16-18

Programme duration: Term, Semester, Academic Year

Visa information:

- Term/Semester – ETA or Visitor Visa (nationality dependent)
- Academic Year – Student Visa required

Interview Required? Yes

English support: No

One-Year A Levels: No

Academic Excellence

Eastbourne Campus offers a broad selection of A-Level, BTEC, T-Level and vocational subjects, covering sciences, social sciences, business, technology and the creative arts. The campus hosts a British Council-accredited English language centre, recognised as one of the top providers in the UK. Students benefit from modern facilities, specialist teachers and pathways such as the Extended Project Qualification and University Foundation options. Graduates progress to leading universities including Oxford, Cambridge, LSE, Imperial and Harvard, demonstrating strong academic preparation across all disciplines.

Student Accomplishments

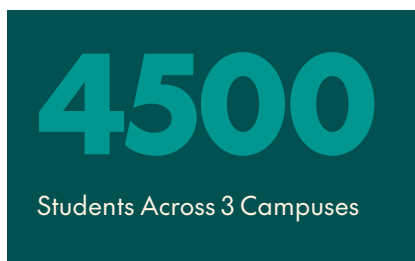
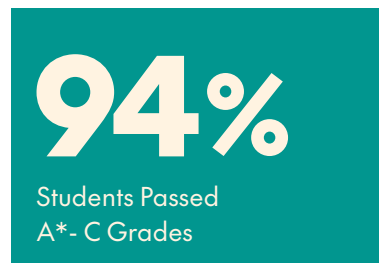
- Strong A*-C academic outcomes (94% for 16-18 learners)
- Progression to top global universities, including Oxbridge and Ivy League institutions
- Participation in performing arts academies and specialist sports academies
- Engagement in music performance, exhibitions and creative showcases.

Recent University Acceptances

- University of Cambridge
- Harvard University
- London School of Economics
- Imperial College London
- University College London (UCL)
- University of Warwick
- King's College London



Stats



Campus Facilities

The Eastbourne campus includes modern academic buildings, science laboratories, specialist technology and engineering areas, and creative studios for art, film, dance and design. Station Plaza and the main teaching spaces contain industry-standard equipment that mirrors real working environments, especially in technical and vocational courses. Sports facilities include a swimming pool, fitness suite and dedicated training areas. Students also access rehearsal rooms, music practice spaces and common social areas for group work and activities.

Life with local host families

International students stay with vetted local host families in Eastbourne, typically in single or shared rooms with half-board or full-board options. Host families provide supervision, daily routines and immersion in British culture. Travel to the campus is usually by public transport or walking, depending on placement location. Family First options are available for additional support and stability throughout the stay.

Athletics and Arts

Eastbourne runs thriving sports academies with structured training and Wednesday afternoon fixtures; men's and women's football, rugby and netball academies are specifically promoted. The campus offers windsurfing, sea swimming, paddle boarding, hill walking and cycling as popular extracurriculars linked to the seaside location and nearby South Downs.

The East Sussex Academy of Music and a Performing Arts Academy provide instrumental tuition and performance pathways with industry-experienced staff.



Lists

Sports: Football, Basketball, Netball, Badminton, Athletics, Tennis, Squash

Arts: Music, Art & Design, Drama, Film, Dance, Photography

Languages offered:

French, Spanish, Japanese, Mandarin, Italian, German, Latin, Greek

Subjects offered:

- **A-Level:** Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, English Language, English Literature, Psychology, Business Studies, Sociology, History, Government & Politics, Geography, Economics, Philosophy, Law, Classics
- **BTEC / Vocational:** Accounting Engineering & Electronics, Food Technology, Hair & Beauty, Helicare and Early Years, Sport
- **T-Level:** Construction, Creative and design, Education, Engineering
- **Others:** Extended Project Qualification, University Foundation

Clubs and Extracurriculars:

Football Academy, Netball Academy, Rugby Academy, Art Club, Music groups, Film activities, Student-led events

International Students Supports:

- British Council-accredited English language centre
- International coordinator and support team
- Buddy system and peer integration
- IELTS preparation and UCAS guidance
- Counselling and welfare support

Community

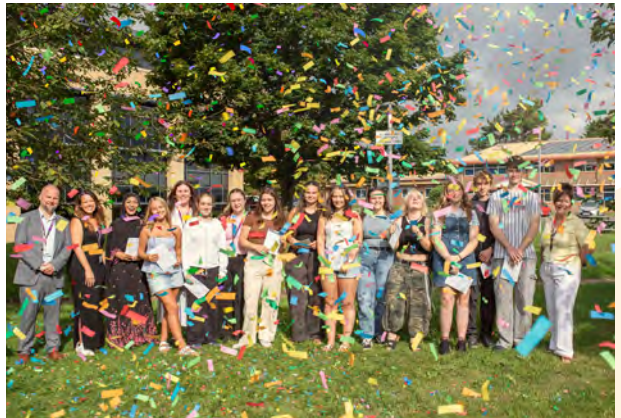
Eastbourne is a coastal town in South East England, known for its beaches, dramatic cliffs, Victorian architecture and cultural attractions. Students can explore local festivals, art galleries, seafront gardens and outdoor activities such as walking in the South Downs National Park. Brighton is around one hour away, and London is approximately two hours by train, giving students easy access to major cultural and academic centres.

Climate

Mild southern climate with cool winters and warm summers. Average temperatures range from 3 °C in January to 21 °C in July, with moderate rainfall throughout the year.



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