

CANG 9119

Step 2: Higher Education & Academia

Step 2: Higher Education & Academia is a **high B2-level** course. You will learn **independent and advanced** English grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation. This course is ideal if you are already an independent user of English, and you are ready to move on to more **nuanced and complex** language. This course also prepares you for the **C1 Advanced** (CAE) exam by focussing on writing tasks in the exam. There will be speaking, listening, reading, and writing exercises every week.

Content

As the name of the course implies, topics will focus on the world of higher education and academia, from both student and staff perspectives. Although we will be focussing on various English-speaking countries, during speaking exercises you will be able to discuss the topics in relation to your own experiences in France.

Themes/ vocabulary	Writing tasks	Speaking practice	Grammar	Pronunciation
Fresher's week	Report	Telling stories	Past simple/ present perfect recap Prepositions Linkers	Stress
Accessibility	Proposal	Presentations	Gerunds & infinitives Countable & uncountable nouns Linkers	Suffix pronunciation
Internships	Application letter	Interviews	Register (informal, neutral, formal, literary), Latinate vs Germanic phrases	Vowel pronunciation rules
Academic careers	Opinion Essay	Debates	Willingness, obligation, necessity Linkers Future forms	

Assessment

- 25% vocabulary tests
- 25% writing tasks
- 25% listening exam
- 25% speaking exam

Method: Blended Learning

Step 2 will be taught using the **Blended Learning** method. Each week you will have 2 hours of online work to complete on the Portail des Etudes in preparation for 1 hour of face-to-face learning with 5 other students. You must be prepared to attend the face-to-face activities at any time in the 2-hour slot designated for your class.