

Study Abroad

SA1 Qualifications

All teachers shall be properly trained. This means taking a course that IHWO officially recognises as equivalent to the CELTA. This applies to teachers of all languages.

SA2 Clients under the age of 18

In the case of clients under the age of 18 on full-time or residential courses:

- clear information will be provided about supervision arrangements and the qualifications of supervisory staff. This will be communicated to parents.
- teachers and supervisory staff will be vetted appropriately, trained and will receive relevant guidance.

SA3 Levels

All schools offering courses to individual clients must be able to offer classes of at least 4 levels of ability. If the course offered is a year-round programme, this means that at least 4 levels should be available all year round; if it is a summer course, then 4 levels should be available throughout the summer.

Exception: special, closed groups of clients who have the same level, or schools that only offer 1:1 teaching.

SA4 Facilities

Study Abroad schools shall offer suitable facilities for clients including a well-resourced self-study centre that clients can use after class.

SA5 Accommodation

Schools must be able to offer appropriate accommodation services to clients. Accommodation offered must be in full compliance with national laws with regards to client welfare, health and safety. Premises must be of a high standard.

SA6 Social Programme

Schools must also organise an optional programme of extra-curricular learning, cultural and social activities including guided visits and excursions to places of interest in and around the school's location.

