

Welcome to LSI New York





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"When I came to New York, five months ago, I was thinking that my only goal here is to elevate my English skills. Today, I can tell you that this trip gave me much more. It was a complete privilege to be your student."

ELIAV BOARON, ISRAEL

Why LSI New York?

- Excellent location. LSI New York is located in a beautiful and historic building, designed by the architects who created the iconic Grand Central station. The school is the perfect place to learn English, being only blocks away from the One World Trade Center building in the fashionable district of lower Manhattan.
- Exciting weekly social programme designed to introduce you to the city, make new friends, and complement your English language lessons. Our social programme activities are all led by our qualified LSI teachers.
- Teachers are carefully selected to ensure you have a fully-qualified, experienced, friendly and helpful hand to guide you through your studies. We know our students by name and not by number.
- LSI manages its own pool of homestays, ensuring the quality of accommodation. LSI is well known for providing excellent academic and social programming.
- Excellent student care. At LSI New York we strive to be a family where communication is key. There is always an open door for students and teachers to be heard. LSI is a supportive safe place for students to learn and be themselves.

Excellent mix of nationalities

Our students in 2024 Brazil 21.9% Israel 12.3% Colombia Turkey 6.3% France 5.1% Italy 3.9% Japan 3.9% Russia 3% China 2.7% Germany 2.4% Mexico 2.4% **Ecuador** 2.1%

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Poland

Visit the downloads section and select the 'other' category.











School Facilities

Our school facilities are designed to provide an enriching and conducive environment for learning, growth, and development.



15 modern classrooms



Maximum class size 16



E-Learning system



Student computers



Free WIFI



Student lounge



Great location



Good transport links



Wheel chair access











Programmes

General 20

During the lessons you rapidly improve your communication skills in a variety of everyday situations. Classes cover grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, speaking, listening, reading and writing. You use a text book in conjunction with a wide variety of materials and exercises.

Intensive Courses

LSI offers 25 or 30 lesson options per week on our Intensive courses. All our intensive courses consist of the General 20 course (4 lessons per day) and a range of electives to suit all levels, needs and interests (2 lessons per day).

Elective options are run twice a week on the Intensive 25, and four times a week (Monday to Thursday) on the Intensive 30 course.

LSI New York offers the following electives:

- Fluency
- Academic English
- Business English
- TOEFL
- IELTS
- Cambridge English

Some elective options run on specific dates or require a minimum CEFR level of B1.

English for Public Speaking and **Presentation**

Throughout this 4-week course, you will learn how to plan, structure, and deliver successful presentations in English, while gaining confidence, becoming more articulate in front of an audience and improving English pronunciation.

Afternoon 10

For those who are short of time or may be working, Afternoon 10 gives you the perfect opportunity to brush up on your conversation skills, Business English or prepare for a range of examinations.

One-to-One

Ideal for those who want extra help with general skills or more specialised topics. Our teachers work with you to develop your study plan. This course can supplement a General 20 or Intensive courses. One-to-one is the fastest way to improve your language skills and are ideal if you prefer a very personal focus on your own aims.

Mini Group

This course combines general grammar and skills development with an in-depth focus on the language of business. The small, intensive group provides the ideal opportunity to practise negotiation, presentation and meeting skills in a realistic situation.

the interest of our more mature students. For more information please refer to our Club 40 mini brochure.

English for Teaching

Aimed at speakers of other languages, this course equips students with the basic tools required to teach English as a Foreign Language and is also an excellent refresher and development course for established teachers of English. It is also suitable preparation for the Teaching Knowledge Test.

Club 40

At LSI we welcome young-at-heart mature students of all ages throughout the year. The Club 40+ programme combines our General 20 course with a unique activity programme specifically designed around

SAT / GMAT

With LSI's GMAT & SAT preparation options, you'll work with a qualified and experienced instructor who will focus exclusively on your needs ensuring you achieve a higher score in a shorter time. Programme includes tuition, LSI GMAT/ SAT course materials, online GMAT/SAT practice tests and other resources, and MBA admissions guide.

Please note that a minimum of 4 weeks is required between booking and the course start date.

For specific pricing and start dates for all our courses please refer to our main price list.

Daily Tuition Schedule, Monday to Friday

General 20 Full Time		
09:10 - 10:50	Lessons 1 & 2*	
10:50 - 11:10	Break	
11:10 - 12:50	Lessons 3 & 4*	

Intensive 25 Full Time		
09:10 - 10:50	Lessons 1 & 2*	
10:50 - 11:10	Break	
11:10 - 12:50	Lessons 3 & 4*	
12:50 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 16:10	Lessons 5 & 6* 2 days per week	

Intensive 30 Full Time		
09:10 - 10:50	Lessons 1 & 2*	
10:50 - 11:10	Break	
11:10 - 12:50	Lessons 3 & 4*	
12:50 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 16:10	Lessons 5 & 6*	

Afternoon 10 Part Time		
14:00 - 16:10	Lessons 1 & 2*	

^{*}During busy periods the General English classes may be run at different times of the day. Please check when booking. An additional 5 minutes mini break is taken between 50 minute sessions.



The Lifestyle

The Location

With 8.6 million residents, New York is the most populous city in the US, as well as one of the safest. Iconic landmarks and a beautiful skyline make this metropolis one of the top tourist destinations in the entire world. Life moves at a fast pace in New York, and it offers a wide range of diverse cultural experiences.

New York has an efficient and reliable public transportation system which operates 24/7, making it easy and convenient to travel at a low cost.

Social Programme

Our team of bubbly activity leaders work with teachers to run an exciting programme offering a range of after school activities. A perfect way to see the sights whilst making new friends along the way.

Regular social activities include:

- Pub night to welcome new students
- Tour of the local area
- · Museums and Exhibitions
- Art Galleries
- · Movie nights













Departure Guide

Before you leave, here are some important things to remember to ensure your arrival is as smooth as possible:

Checklist



Letter of acceptance and LSI documentation

 Accommodation confirmation letter (either homestay profile or residence details)

Proof of medical/health insurance

\$250 in cash and credit/ debit cards

Any prescription medication

Adaptor for electrical appliances (Type A: 2 pin with standard voltage 120V or Type B: 3 pin with standard voltage 120V)

✓ Laptop/tablet

SIM card that can be used in the US



Clothing

New York has a varied climate with humid Summers and cold and snowy winters, so we advise bringing a range of clothes suitable for all climates. Please bring waterproof clothing, a raincoat, and suitable footwear.

Our activity programme may include sporting events, so it is also a good idea to bring active wear suitable for the outdoors.

The average temperature is around 2 degrees in Winter and 25 degrees in Summer.

Pocket money

We recommend a weekly budget \$250 to cover local travel, lunch, and activities. Credit and debit cards are widely accepted in the US, but it is a good idea to bring some cash with you.

Check with your debit/credit card company that you are able to use your card and withdraw money in the US.

We do not advise carrying around large amounts of cash.

Bank account

If you are staying in America for three months or more you may wish to open a bank account. LSI can support you with this process when you arrive.

When you arrive

Arriving at a foreign airport can be overwhelming. If you can't find the driver or your flight is delayed, please inform the transfer company as soon as possible using the contact details provided on your transfer confirmation document.

If you have booked an airport transfer, an LSI representative will meet you in the arrivals hall after baggage reclaim and immigration. They will be holding an LSI sign with your name on it and will take you directly to your accommodation. If you can't find the driver or your flight is delayed, please inform the transfer company at the phone number provided in the transfer confirmation email as soon as possible.

Sometimes, customs and immigration may ask you to wait while they check your travel documents. Please don't worry if this happens, it is normal procedure to check student's visas. Be calm and polite. If there are any concerns at immigration, ask the office to call the LSI New York emergency phone: 347 891 3516.

If you have not booked an airport transfer, public transport can be found at all major airports for travel to New York. Alternatively, you can catch a taxi from the airports taxi rank.

First day information

Two weeks before your arrival date LSI will email you welcome information with details on how to get to school and what your first day will look like. You will also receive log in details and instructions for our E-LSI platform where you can complete our pre-arrival level test. It is important that you take the test before your first day to ensure we have the correct class ready for you.

Classes begin at 9.10am but please report to reception for 9am, where we will be waiting to welcome you.





Residential Options

These options are more suitable for an independent student who is looking for a clean and basic accommodation at an affordable price. All students must be 18 or older.



Rental Properties and Sharehouses

Facilities in shared houses and rental properties often include kitchens, bathrooms, and laundry facilities. Shared house bedrooms often include a bed, study desk, and cupboard, while rental properties are generally unfurnished.

LSI New York takes no responsibility for any rental or share house agreement into which a student may enter. Advertisements for rental properties and share house rooms may be found on 4stay.com or Airbnb.com

West Side YMCA

5 West 63rd St., N.Y, 10023, USA

Steps away from Central Park, the West Side YMCA is a walker's delight - great for a stroll, bike, or jog through the park. 25-30 minute subway ride to LSI New York.

Single and double rooms with bunk beds available with shared bathrooms.

Please note there is a maximum 3-week stay.

Arrivals and Departures

Saturday to Saturday or Sunday to Sunday. Check in between 10am - 10pm and check-out 10am.

Facilities available:



WIFI



Air conditioning



Housekeeping 24/7 reception



Gym



Pool









Homestay Accommodation

Staying with a host family is an excellent way for you to practise English and learn about American culture and New York City life. Here at LSI we carefully select and manage our own host families, ensuring high standards and a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. Commute time from homestays to LSI New York by public transport is between 40-60+ minutes.

Our Accommodation Co-ordinator is available to speak with you and to help whenever you need.

To help you prepare for your stay, please read the following information.

What will my room be like?

Every homestay is unique. You are not going to a hotel so each home will be different. However, we make sure that your room has the following: a bed, a chair, a table or desk, a table lamp, a mirror, a heating appliance and chest of drawers or similar and a wardrobe.

What services are included?

Your host will provide bed linen, towels, and will have laundry facilities available in the home or suggest local laundromats. Toiletries are not included so you will need to purchase these yourself.

Can I use the kitchen?

Your family will provide the meals you have requested through LSI, either Breakfast only or Breakfast and Dinner (Half Board). Families will not usually allow you to use the kitchen to cook your own food or to store a lot of items in their fridge. If you have any dietary requirements or allergies please ensure you have informed LSI of these.

About homestay meals

Breakfast: Usually a light meal consisting off cereal, toast, spreads, fruit, yoghurt, and a choice of tea, coffee, and juice. Hosts will usually ask you to prepare your own breakfast

Lunch: You will be responsible for buying your own lunch from a local restaurant or local shop. There are many cafes and shops close by, all within walking distance of the school.

Dinner: You will usually eat dinner with your host, unless you have arranged otherwise. Dinners should be varied and balanced

and should include meat, fish or cheese, some carbs, vegetables and a piece of fruit or dessert. In America most families have dinner between 6pm and 8pm. Your host will inform you of their dinner time and ask that you let them know if you will not be eating with them or do not require dinner.

Arrivals and Departures

Sunday to Sunday or Saturday to Saturday. Check in between 10am – 10pm.

On arrival

At least one member of your family will be waiting at home to greet you on your arrival day. They will show you your room and share with you any house rules they may have; please respect these.

Travel to school

You will have to come to school by yourself via public transportation. Your host families can help and give you instructions on how to get to school. Our accommodation confirmations also have instructions on what bus, subway, or train to catch and from where (if necessary).

Executive homestays

Executive homestays are also available which offer a private bathroom (en suite or sole use).

For further information and pricing please refer to our accommodation brochure.



