

# **EXECUTIVE PROGRAMME**

**English Pronunciation: A Contemporary Approach** 

**Course tutor: Dr Geoff Lindsey** 

12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Ref: 711/18 £450 Max 12 participants

11th June 2018 (Optional day for those applying through the Erasmus Scheme.)

### **Course Aims**

The aims of the course are:

- to outline the sound system of contemporary English (vowels, consonants, stress and intonation), focussing primarily on Standard Southern British and also with reference to General American
- to give structured practical feedback on each participant's pronunciation (within the group setting), so that participants have a programme for continuing practice after the course.

#### **Course Overview**

This is a practically-based course for those who want to pronounce English more natively.

It will be useful for those who use English in their professional work. It will also be beneficial to academics, teacher trainers and educators at all levels (pre-school, primary, secondary, vocational, adult) including non-teaching staff such as administrators, career advisors and counsellors.

No technical knowledge of phonetics is required, as all concepts and symbols will be explained as part of the course.

The course will also

- include new developments in English, with discussion of both phonetic and social-cultural factors which have shaped the contemporary language.
- explore informational packaging in English, which can enhance effective communication, teaching and presentation-giving.
- involve interactive participation, giving students the opportunity to improve their language skills and confidence.
- provide those participants who teach with techniques and resources for English pronunciation teaching, including use of the internet. Methodological debate and discussion will be encouraged.



#### **Course Tutor**

**Dr Geoff Lindsey** is an Honorary Lecturer in Linguistics at University College London and Director of UCL's annual Summer Course in English Phonetics. He holds a BA (1st class) from UCL and a PhD from the University of California, Los Angeles; he also holds the Trinity College TESOL Certificate. He has taught at London (UCL and City), Edinburgh and Cambridge Universities, and his publications include research on American and British dialects. He has contributed to the International Phonetic Alphabet, and served as a consultant phonetician for the Concise Oxford Dictionary. In addition he is an experienced forensic voice analyst.

Geoff specialises in teaching English pronunciation to a wide range of students, actors and professionals. He is a well known blogger on pronunciation and phonetics.

He also has wide professional experience of TV and film as a writer and director.

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# **Course Programme**

# Monday 11th June, 2018 (OPTIONAL)

10.00am-	Cultural Day –This is an optional day for you to explore London as
17.00pm	you wish.

For those who are applying through the Erasmus scheme, this day can be tailored to your needs (For example, we can organise a visit to our University or selective departments of your choice or offer job shadowing opportunities.)

### Tuesday 12th June, 2018

9.30am	REGISTRATION AND COFFEE and introductions
10.00am	Introduction and Individual Feedback with Group Practice
11.15am	BREAK
11.45am	Vowels
13.00pm	LUNCH BREAK
14.00pm	Stress and Weak Forms
15.15pm	BREAK
15.45pm	Individual Feedback with Group Practice
17.00pm	END

# Wednesday 13th June, 2018

10.00am Individual Feedback with Group Practice

11.15am BREAK

11.45am Consonants I

13.00pm LUNCH BREAK

14.00pm Consonants II

15.15pm BREAK

15.45pm Individual Feedback with Group Practice

17.00pm END

# Thursday 14th June, 2018

10.00am Individual Feedback with Group Practice

11.15am BREAK

11.45am Intonation I

13.00pm LUNCH BREAK

14.00pm Intonation II

15.15pm BREAK

15.45pm Individual Feedback with Group Practice

17.00pm END

# Friday 15th June, 2018

10.00am Individual Feedback with Group Practice

11.15am BREAK

11.45am Word linking

13.00pm LUNCH BREAK

14.00pm Individual Feedback with Group Practice

15.15pm BREAK

15.45pm Summing Up

17.00pm COURSE TEACHING ENDS

At the end of the course participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance