

# Advanced Australian English Language Course (AAELC)



### Aim

The aim of the Advanced English Language Course (AAELC) is to improve the English language skills of Defence Cooperation Program (DCP) personnel. The course includes advanced English language skills training and focuses on raising the speaking, listening, reading and writing proficiency of attendees.

### Description

Typically, graduates from the AAELC will attend the course as a target course for language improvement or prior to the Pre-officer Training Preparation Course (PT PREP).

Students are expected to have completed an intermediate level English language course in-country to ensure that maximum benefit is gained from the AAELC and complete an Australian and Military Familiarisation Course (AUSTFAMIL) or Admin and Reception Period Famil (ARPF) before the AAELC. The AAELC is conducted for twelve weeks usually in the first half of the year.

### Role

Following the formal adoption of Joint Directive 4/94, Defence Instruction (General) PERS 05-13 was produced to specify the DITC role, tasks and administrative procedures. DITC has been assigned the following role:

*to enhance the training provided in Australia to South East Asian and South Pacific defence force and other selected overseas personnel. This is achieved by facilitating the integration of those personnel into Australian Defence Organisation (ADO) training systems, and fostering and promoting cross-cultural awareness between members of the ADO and foreign military personnel.*

### Location

DITC is located at the RAAF base at Laverton, Victoria in Australia. It is located close to the centre of Melbourne. Access to the city is by train, car, taxi or bus. Melbourne offers a multicultural environment. Shops, sports venues, art galleries, cinemas, theatres, concert halls, exhibitions, restaurants and places of worship welcome the DITC students in their off-duty hours.

All students have access to well-trained staff, computers, a specialist library, modern classrooms and excellent recreational facilities. At DITC, students enjoy comfortable accommodation purpose-designed for study.

### Course particulars

**Number of students/course:**

18

**Length of course (working days):**

60

**Minimum ADFELPS on entry:**

S-6 L-6 R-6 W-6

**ADFEPLS on graduation:**

S-7 L-7 R-7 W-7

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