

Terms and Conditions

BECAS SANTANDER LANGUAGE | ONLINE ENGLISH COURSES 2022 - BRITISH COUNCIL

2022 Call for Applications

The **Delegación en España de la Fundación British Council** (hereafter the “British Council”), with financial support from **Banco Santander, S.A.**, has created the **Becas Santander Language | Online English Courses 2022 - British Council** programme to help and encourage students and young professionals aged over 18 either from or resident in Spain, Portugal, Poland, Germany, Brazil, the United States, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Colombia or Peru to improve their English language skills and so increase their employability.

I. Goals

The “**Becas Santander Language | Online English Courses 2022 - British Council**” programme (hereafter the “Programme”) will help and encourage students and young professionals aged over 18 on the date of publication of the Call for Applications to the Programme, and who are either from or resident in Spain, Portugal, Poland, Germany, Brazil, the United States, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Colombia or Peru, to take the British Council's “Online English Learning” course in the 2022 academic year.

The Programme's main goal is to provide young people with the opportunity to improve their English language skills and so increase their employability.

II. Eligibility

Students and young professionals (hereafter “participants”) aged over 18 on the date of publication of the Call for Applications to the Programme, and who are either from or resident in Spain, Portugal, Poland, Germany, Brazil, the United States, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Colombia or Peru and meet the admission requirements set out below, are eligible to participate in this Programme.

Receipt of a grant for the Programme's online English-language course will be compatible with all other assistance unrelated to the object of this Programme to which the Programme participant may be entitled, regardless of the origin (public or private) of such assistance.

III. Programme Characteristics and Grants Available

The **Becas Santander Language | Online English Courses 2022 - British Council** programme will award 5,000 grants for an **online English-language course** consisting of 12 tutored lessons and the British Council's **Online English Learning** self-paced learning programme (hereafter the “Course”).

Full details of the Programme will be published on the Becas Santander platform (www.becas-santander.com) on 18 January 2022. The Call for Applications via www.becas-santander.com will close on 29 March 2022 and award of the grants will be announced from 5 April 2022 onwards on the same platform (www.becas-santander.com).

The **details** are as follows:

The Course consists of two integrated but distinct online learning units: 12 tutored classes with a teacher from the English Online Learning programme, and access to self-learning materials consisting of videos and activities (estimated duration: 48 hours). Grant recipients must complete the course assigned between 27 April and 19 July 2022.

The Course is divided into five language levels, from beginner (A1) to advanced (C1). To determine each student's language level, the **British Council** will test all recipients of the grant. Course participants will learn how to:

- i. Communicate effectively in a variety of workplace situations, including meetings, talks and presentations.
- ii. Apply for a job and prepare for the interview.
- iii. Assimilate grammar and vocabulary appropriate to the world of work.
- iv. Network with other professionals in a range of fields.

The **British Council** will provide grant recipients with appropriate academic feedback to encourage ongoing participation in the Course and will monitor usage of the online learning resources.

Upon completion of the Course, students who have successfully completed the Programme will be able to download or order a Course certificate indicating estimated study hours, English language level studied and date of completion.

It should be noted that neither the modules taught on the Course nor the language level tests necessary to assign students to their corresponding groups lead to the award of an official qualification.

To obtain a grant for the Course, participants must meet the following admission requirements:

- (i) Have a user account on the Becas Santander platform (www.becas-santander.com) and register for the corresponding Call for Applications.
- (ii) Be aged over 18 and be from or resident in Spain, Portugal, Poland, Germany, Brazil, the United States, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, Colombia or Peru.
- (iii) Complete the language assessment, provided in the evaluation tool available on the Becas Santander platform, consisting of a series of tests designed to evaluate potential Programme participants' language skills.

When awarding the grants, the **British Council** will verify fulfilment of the above-mentioned requirements and will base its decision on the ranking generated by the evaluation tool available on the Becas Santander platform, assigning grants in rank order.

If an awarded grant is not accepted by the designated recipient, the **British Council** will assign that grant to the next-ranked participant who meets the admission requirements above, repeating this process until all grants are awarded.

Likewise, in order to ensure that the Programme benefits the largest possible number of participants, if at any time the **British Council** deems that the available grants will not all be

awarded, or if there is excessive demand for them, it may decide to apply other admission requirements for the award of grants, including extending the deadline to attract new applicants.

Registration

In order to receive a grant, participants must submit their applications to the Programme via the Becas Santander platform (www.becas-santander.com) provided for this purpose. Participants will be notified of award of the grant via the management system in place on this platform.

Programme participants must **register** between **18 January 2022** and **23:00 (GMT+1, Madrid) 29 March 2022**. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the **British Council** reserves the right to change the submission dates.

IV. Allocation of Places to Applicants

Allocation of the 5,000 grants will take place from **5 April 2022** onwards.

Notice of allocation will be sent to the participant by e-mail, who will have **7 calendar days** from the date and time of notification to confirm acceptance, again doing so via the website (www.becas-santander.com). Upon expiry of the deadline, if any awarded grants have not been accepted by the designated recipients, the **British Council** will assign those grants to the next-ranked participants who meet the admission requirements above, or any other requirements that the **British Council** deems appropriate, repeating this process until all grants are awarded.

V. Data Protection

The personal data legislation applicable to the Programme is set out in the Privacy Policy of the Becas Santander platform, accessible at www.becas-santander.com/en/legal/privacy.

VI. Amendment of the Programme's Terms and Conditions

Participation in the 2022 Call for Applications to the Programme implies acceptance of the corresponding Terms and Conditions and final decision, which shall not be subject to appeal, as well as waiver of any claim in respect of any aspect relating to them, including but not limited to the allocation, selection and admission criteria.

The **British Council** and **Banco Santander, S.A.** reserve the right to amend at any time, either in part or in full, the Terms and Conditions of the 2022 Call for Applications to the Programme in order to ensure achievement of the social impact intended by the **British Council** and **Banco Santander, S.A.** with this Call for Applications, informing participants of any such amendments via the website (www.becas-santander.com).