Comparing IHCTL and CELTA Certificate Courses

CRITERIA	IHCTL	CELTA
Total contact hours	Min. 120	Min. 120
Input sessions hours	60	60
Assessed teaching practice, min.	6	6
Levels of students for teaching practice	2 different required	2 different required
Observations of experienced teachers (hrs)	min. 4	min. 6
External assessor	No, but random electronic portfolios are sent to London for assessment	Yes
Ratio trainer/participants	1 trainer to 6 trainees	2 trainers to 6-12 candidates
Emphasis on com. Methodology	Yes	Yes
All 4 skills are addressed	Yes	Yes
Main teaching techniques are addressed (clear instructions, error correction, checking understanding)	Yes	Yes
Emphasis on Language Analysis	Yes	Yes
Emphasis on different teaching approaches (Task Based Learning, Text Based Presentations, Guided Discovery)	Yes	Yes
Number of written assignments	3	4
Pre-course tasks	Yes	Yes
Pre-course interview	Yes	Yes
Minimal required language proficiency for trainees	C1 – C2	C1 – C2
Final grades	Fail/Pass/Distinction	Fail/Pass/Pass B/Pass A
Certificate	IHWO, London	Cambridge English