



Wimbledon School of English London

Pre-sessional English and Academic IELTS Preparation

This course provides a dedicated learning environment for those who wish to study at an English-speaking academic institution. This is a full-time course of 10 weeks, with 20 contact hours per week (please see additional leaflets for the 6-week and 4-week courses).

Min CEFR level: B1

Dates for 2018:

15th Jan – 23rd March (Exam on 24th Mar)
26th Feb – 4th May (Exam on 5th May)

12th Mar – 18th May (Exam on 19th May)
24th Sep – 30th Nov (Exam on 1st Dec)

Please note that the school will be closed on the following public holidays: 30th March, 2nd April, 7th May

Course Content

Students are given guidance on how to develop their skills effectively at university level, and study vocabulary and grammar used in academic English contexts. The course also provides structured Academic IELTS preparation practice, guiding students towards achieving their required score in the exam. There is also a one-day visit to one of our partner universities giving students the opportunity to experience a real lecture & meet university academic staff and students.

Classes include:

Academic Writing

- ✓ Cohesion & coherence
- ✓ Describing & analysing data & trends
- ✓ Discursive essays
- ✓ Summarising
- ✓ Paraphrasing/avoiding plagiarism
- ✓ Developing an argument
- ✓ Punctuation
- ✓ Adopting academic conventions and style

Listening and reading skills

- ✓ Lecture note taking
- ✓ Signposting language in lectures
- ✓ Understanding fast speech
- ✓ Analysing academic texts
- ✓ Understanding writers' viewpoints & adopting effective proof reading strategies

Study Skills

- ✓ Referencing and citation
- ✓ Summarising & paraphrasing
- ✓ Listening and note taking
- ✓ Critical thinking and analysis
- ✓ Giving presentations
- ✓ Participation in seminar discussions
- ✓ Library and research skills
- ✓ Develop autonomous learning

Examination Skills

- ✓ Format and procedure
- ✓ Strategies and time management
- ✓ Real time speaking practice
- IELTS preparation & timed exam practice

All students have regular tutorials with their teacher to discuss progress and future study. Up to 2 hours' self-study will be set per night. Students will be required to take a mock exam at or before the start of the course to check that they are at a sufficiently high level to follow the course.

Included in tuition fees

- e-wimbledon learning platform
- Internet access and WiFi
- Welcome pack, student card & certificates
- Guidance on self-study from the Study Centre Manager
- Use of Study Centre and books / DVD libraries
- Monthly 1:1 tutorials with the main course teacher
- School based social activities – including some sports and parties

NOT included in tuition fees

- Registration fee
- Materials Fee
- Accommodation
- Bank charges
- Travel and Airport transfer
- Examination entry fees
- Insurance (can be arranged on request)
- Membership of fitness club