



UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATION COURSES (CONTD.)



AUSTRALIA: ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

This is the ideal programme if you want the most effective pathway to a guaranteed Australian university place through a rigorous academic English course. This programme combines intensive English language training with a range of academic study skills and IELTS test preparation to prepare you thoroughly for undergraduate study.

Locations: Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne

PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

Charles Sturt University



Central Queensland University:
Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sydney and
Melbourne



Murdoch University



University of the Sunshine Coast,
Queensland



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Start dates:

11 Dec 06 – 10/20/30 week terms
22 Jan 07 – 30 week term
26 Feb 07 – 10/20 week term
02 Apr 07 – 20 week terms
07 May 07 – 10 week term
11 June 07 – 10/20/30 week terms
20 August 07 – 10/20 week terms
24 Sep 07 – 10/20 week terms
29 Oct 07 – 10 week term

Four lessons per week of guided self-study, project-based assignments and assessments in classes of up to 16 students

Classes can be scheduled in the morning and/or afternoon

Minimum entry level: 3 (equivalent IELTS 4.5)

Recognition of prior learning of one or two terms is awarded to students who have above the required entry level

Required pass rate:

Term one: equivalent to IELTS 5.0

Term two: equivalent to IELTS 5.5

Term three: equivalent to IELTS 6.0

SAMPLE COURSE STRUCTURE

In each term, students study five modules – Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking and Study Skills. As the course progresses, students complete increasingly more challenging work.

Within each module, there are a number of outcomes that students need to master before moving to the next stage of their course. The outcomes are:

Apply vocabulary, punctuation and grammar in a variety of situations

Gain knowledge of Australian and global issues

Produce a variety of writing and speaking styles – formal and informal

Formulate, substantiate, present and defend a point of view

Develop overall competence in speaking, listening, reading and writing

Participate effectively in academic situations

Critically evaluate texts – print and non-print

Research a set topic or topic of interest and present findings, in writing and orally

Develop IELTS test taking skills, strategies and confidence

At each level, the course expectations become higher as a student's work demonstrates an increasing depth of understanding of language, content and study skills.

FIRST TERM (10 WEEKS)

Pre-Intermediate level skills

24 x 50 minute lessons of core language classes.
4 x 50 minute lessons of introduction to IELTS test-taking skills and strategies.

This term quickly builds essential language skills, with the majority of the time spent in class on consolidating listening, reading, writing and speaking skills.

SECOND TERM (10 WEEKS)

Intermediate level skills

28 x 50 minute lessons of combined core language and academic preparation classes, including higher level IELTS examination preparation, skills and strategies.

The emphasis moves to more intensive work on academic English preparation and study skills.

THIRD TERM (10 WEEKS)

Upper-Intermediate level skills

28 x 50 minute lessons of intensive academic preparation based on reading, writing, listening, speaking and study skills. Also included are more advanced strategies for enhanced IELTS exam success. This level refines Australian university level skills and exam practice with students completing tasks at an increasingly advanced level.