

## **ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES COURSES**

**2014 ENTRY**

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# UCL (University College London)

Welcome to UCL, one of the world's leading universities, located in the heart of London.

## UCL profile

- Founded in 1826
- Over 26,600 students of whom 11,900 are graduates; 54% female and 46% male students
- 52 academic departments / units in 10 faculties: Arts and Humanities, Brain Sciences, Built Environment, Engineering Sciences, Laws, Life Sciences, Mathematical and Physical Sciences, Medical Sciences, Population Health Sciences, Social and Historical Sciences.

## World-class

UCL is one of the world's very best universities, and is consistently placed highly in world rankings, including being ranked 4th in the 2012/13 QS World University Rankings.

## Innovation

We are London's Global University – your studies will provide a global perspective which will help you understand the major issues facing the world and will equip you to contribute to solutions.

## Diversity

Our students are selected on the basis of their talent and potential. Around 41% of our students come from outside the UK, so UCL has a cosmopolitan, friendly and inclusive atmosphere.

## Location

We're based in the heart of London, which will give you outstanding academic, professional and social benefits. London's internationally renowned institutions, such as the British Museum and British Library, are within walking distance of UCL.

## 2012/13 QS World University Rankings

Rank	Institution	Country
1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	US
2	University of Cambridge	UK
3	Harvard University	US
4	UCL (University College London)	UK
5	University of Oxford	UK
6	Imperial College London	UK
7	Yale University	US
8	University of Chicago	US
9	Princeton University	US
10	California Institute of Technology	US

## UCL's English Language requirements for graduate study

- **UCL EAP:** UCL English for Academic Purposes (EAP) qualifications
- **IELTS:** International English Language Testing System
- **TOEFL:** Test of English as a Foreign Language - IBT (Internet-based Test)

A full list of qualifications accepted by UCL can be found at [www.ucl.ac.uk/gradprospectus](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/gradprospectus)

### STANDARD LEVEL:

For most programmes in the Faculties of:

- Built Environment
  - Brain Sciences
  - Engineering Sciences
  - Mathematics and Physical Sciences
  - Medical Sciences
  - Population Health Sciences
- and the
- MFA in Fine Art

### UCL EAP

Overall: 65%  
Subtests minimum: 60%

### IELTS

Overall: 6.5  
Subtests minimum: 6.0

### TOEFL IBT

Overall: 92  
Subtests (reading and writing): 24/30 minimum  
Subtests (listening and speaking): 20/30 minimum

### GOOD LEVEL:

For most programmes in the Faculties of:

- Arts and Humanities
  - Life Sciences
  - Social and Historical Sciences
- and the
- Eastman Dental Institute
  - School of Slavonic and East European Studies

### UCL EAP

Overall: 70%  
Subtests minimum: 60%

### IELTS

Overall: 7.0  
Subtests minimum: 6.0

### TOEFL IBT

Overall: 100  
Subtests (reading and writing): 24/30 minimum  
Subtests (listening and speaking): 20/30 minimum

### ADVANCED LEVEL:

For programmes in the Faculty of Laws and Departments of:

- History
- Political Science

### UCL EAP

Overall: 75%  
Subtests minimum: 65%

### IELTS

Overall: 7.5  
Subtests minimum: 6.5

### TOEFL IBT

Overall: 109  
Subtests (reading and writing): 24/30 minimum  
Subtests (listening and speaking): 20/30 minimum



# UCL English for Academic Purposes Courses (UCL EAP)

*Enhancing your skills, exceeding your goals at the UCL Centre for Languages & International Education (CLIE).*

## Key facts

### Course aims

- Fulfil UCL's English language requirements for degree programme entry (See the table opposite for a brief guide to the requirements)
- Satisfy the English language requirements for some courses at other UK universities
- Prepare students for academic study at UK universities.

### Course objectives

Develop the study skills needed to succeed at a top UK university, including:

- reading academic texts quickly and productively
- expressing ideas clearly and accurately in academic writing
- undertaking independent research
- developing critical thinking skills
- giving oral presentations and participating in seminars
- effective note-taking.

### Course features

- Taught at UCL by UCL teaching staff
- Opportunities to attend lectures given by leading UCL academics
- Students are UCL students with access to UCL facilities and student accommodation options
- Taught in classes, seminars and lectures
- EAP classes are taught in small groups with a maximum of 14 learners per class
- A minimum of 20 UCL teaching hours\* per week
- Weekly individual tutorials (one-to-one sessions with a Personal Tutor)
- Individual support and guidance on submitting degree applications
- Optional IELTS preparation classes
- A social programme of events in London for all students.

\* The "teaching hour" at UCL is 50 minutes

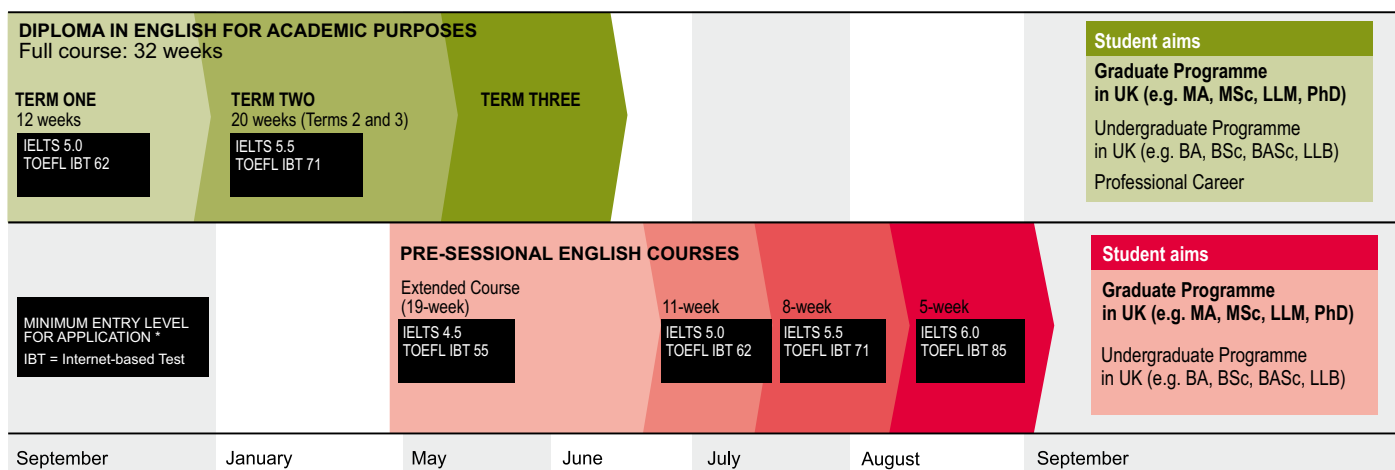


A UCL EAP seminar.



UCL EAP students in a weekly course lecture.

## UCL English for Academic Purposes Courses – an overview



\*Applicants without an IELTS or TOEFL or equivalent score may take the UCL Centre for Languages & International Education's own English test depending on course duration and immigration status.



The UCL CLIE Graduate Adviser offers one-to-one support with degree applications.



'The Study' – one of many places on campus for students to study in groups or independently.



Outside the UCL Main Library – a popular place for UCL students and staff to relax, socialise and study.

# Diploma in English for Academic Purposes

## Course aims

This is a preparatory course for international students who want to follow graduate or undergraduate programmes at UCL or at other UK universities. Some students may also wish to improve their English for professional purposes.

Typically students on the Diploma will have a starting level of between 5.0 – 6.5 IELTS (or equivalent).

By the end of the course, students will have developed the academic and linguistic skills required to succeed on a UK degree programme and be familiar with the academic culture and conventions of the UK Higher Education system.

## Course structure

The 32-week Diploma course consists of classes, lectures, seminars and tutorials.

**Term 1** Focuses on Academic English, integrating the four skill areas of writing, reading, listening and speaking, including building grammar, vocabulary, seminar and note-taking skills. Weekly lectures by leading UCL academics include a variety of disciplines from Architecture to Zoology. Students' progress is closely monitored through homework tasks and in-class tests.

**Term 2** Focuses on the development of independent research skills, academic writing skills for research essays and presentation skills. These are subject-related and allow students to focus on their academic discipline (e.g. Engineering, Law, etc). Core skills introduced in Term 1 continue to be built upon.

Research work is closely guided and supported by weekly individual tutorials. Weekly lectures will provide an excellent opportunity to expand subject terminology and knowledge.

**Term 3** Classes and seminars continue to build on core skill areas. Students focus on an independent academic research essay.

## Course assessment

Students receive the Diploma qualification based on the formal course assessments and examinations completed in Term 3.

### Coursework

Worth 40% of the final score:

- research essay
- oral presentation
- seminar participation

### Final examinations

Worth 60% of the final score:

- writing skills examination
- listening and note-taking examination
- reading skills examination

## The qualification

The UCL Diploma in English for Academic Purposes is recognised as satisfying UCL's English language proficiency requirement, and is also accepted by a number of other leading institutions in London and the UK.

## Destinations

In 2013 73% of Diploma students applying for degree programmes in the UK received a UCL, Russell Group or University of London offer.

In addition to UCL, former Diploma students have progressed to a number of leading UK universities including: Oxford, Imperial College London, London School of Economics, Warwick, Queen Mary, Durham, Bristol, Manchester, Exeter and Bath.

Entry Points 2014–15 Entry	Tuition Fees	Minimum Entrance Requirements*	Subtests Minimum*
<b>September Start</b> <b>Terms 1, 2 and 3: 32 weeks</b> Start: 22 September 2014	£13,300	IELTS: 5.0 TOEFL IBT: 62 (Internet-based Test)	4.5 15 in subtests 17 in writing
<b>January Start</b> <b>Terms 2 and 3: 20 weeks</b> Start: 5 January 2015	£9,500	IELTS: 5.5 TOEFL IBT: 71	5.0 17 in subtests 20 in writing

The Diploma finishes on 30 June 2015. Diploma programme dates include examination results and additional course administration, where necessary. Diploma tuition and course examinations end no later than the 12 June 2015.

\*The information above is for guidance only. Each application is considered on an individual basis taking into account the applicant's existing level of English (including subtests), academic history and final score needed. Some applicants may take CLIE's own English language test as an alternative to obtaining an IELTS or TOEFL score.

## Contact information

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# Pre-Sessional English Courses

## Course aims

These intensive courses are designed for international students who plan to enrol on a graduate degree programme (MA, MSc, LLM, MPhil/PhD) at UCL or at another UK university. A small number of Pre-sessional students will be holding an undergraduate degree offer.

Students will usually need to raise their level of English significantly in a short period of time due to the requirements of a conditional offer of a place on a Master's or PhD programme.

Pre-sessional Course applicants should consider:

- The minimum entry requirement for the particular Pre-sessional Course
- The time needed to reach the language level required for their future degree programme
- Their current level of English (including subtests).

## Entrance requirements

English language level required for your degree programme	Your current English language score (minimum score required in all subtests - listening (l), reading (r), speaking (s) and writing (w))		The minimum length of Pre-sessional course you can apply for*
	IELTS	TOEFL	
<b>Standard:</b> EAP 65% IELTS 6.5 TOEFL 92	4.5	15 l & s 17 r & w	Extended
	5.0	17 l & s 19 r & w	11-week
	5.5	18 l & s 20 r & w	8-week
	6.0	19 l & s 21 r & w	5-week
<b>Good:</b> EAP 70% IELTS 7.0 TOEFL 100	5.0	17 l & s 19 r & w	Extended
	5.5	18 l & s 20 r & w	11-week
	6.0	19 l & s 21 r & w	8-week
	6.5	20 l & s 22 r & w	5-week
<b>Advanced:</b> EAP 75% IELTS 7.5 TOEFL 109	5.5	18 l & s 20 r & w	Extended
	6.0	19 l & s 21 r & w	11-week
	6.5	20 l & s 22 r & w	8-week
	7.0	22 l & s 24 r & w	5-week

\* The information above is for guidance only. Each application is considered on an individual basis taking into account the applicant's existing level of English (including subtests), academic history and final score needed. Some applicants may take CLIE's own English language test as an alternative to obtaining an IELTS or TOEFL score.

## Course structure

Students follow a mixture of classes, lectures and tutorials each week, while focusing on their own academic subject areas during library research, extended essay assignments and oral presentation preparation. The timetable also includes a lecture programme given by leading UCL academics.

A 90-minute optional IELTS preparation class is included on the 19 (Extended), 11 and 8-week courses for students who need IELTS in order to fulfil their English language requirement at other universities. IELTS preparation is not available on the 5-week course.

## Course assessment

All examinations take place in the final week of the Pre-sessional Courses.

### Coursework

Worth 40% of the final score:

- research essay
- oral presentation

### Final examinations

Worth 60% of the final score:

- writing skills examination
- listening and note-taking examination
- reading skills examination

## Course dates and fees

	Start Date	Tuition Fees
Extended (19-week)	28 April 2014	£7,750
11-week	23 June 2014	£5,000
8-week	14 July 2014	£4,200
5-week	4 August 2014	£2,850

All Pre-sessional courses finish on 19 September. Programme dates include examination results and course administration. Tuition and examinations end no later than 5 September 2014.

## The qualification

The UCL Pre-sessional English qualification is recognised as satisfying UCL's English language proficiency requirement, and is also accepted by a number of other leading universities and institutions in London and the UK.

Students applying to other universities should check whether the UCL Pre-sessional English qualification is accepted as fulfilling their English language proficiency requirements before applying for a UCL Pre-sessional course.



UCL EAP students receiving feedback on a group project.



UCL EAP students studying outside at UCL.



A UCL EAP student receiving an individual tutorial.

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## Applications

Please apply as early as possible to secure your place on the course and in UCL accommodation.

1. Select the appropriate course for your English language level, academic aims and availability from the information provided in this brochure and on our website.
2. Applications are made online:  
 [www.ucl.ac.uk/eap](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/eap)
3. When your application has been assessed we will contact you to confirm whether we can offer you a place on the course. Entry will depend on your existing level of English (including subtests), academic history and final score needed.
4. Offer holders will receive information, via email, on how you can formally accept your offer, pay the course fees and apply for UCL accommodation.

## Accommodation

 [www.ucl.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/accommodation)

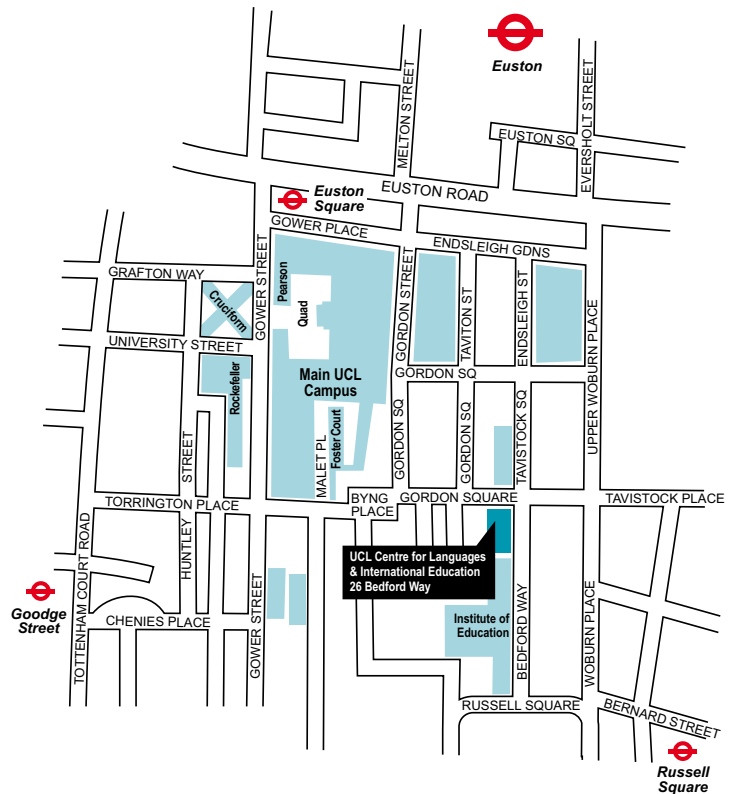
A range of central London accommodation options are available for applicants holding an offer of a student place on a UCL EAP course.

Full details will be included with your UCL EAP offer.

### Single room costs per week (2013–14 academic session)

<b>UCL Student Houses</b> (self-catered)	<b>UCL Halls of Residence</b> (catered)
£127 – £200 approx.	£160 – £192 approx.

### UCL in Bloomsbury, Central London



There are a range of accommodation options for UCL students.



Gordon Square – one of many green spaces by UCL where students and staff can enjoy the sun.

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