



PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH

2025/26

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Want to build your English language skills to successfully study at a UK university?

Whether you intend to study at Foundation, Undergraduate or Postgraduate level in the UK, our online Pre-Sessional English course combines academic and social language skills to help you get there.

Why study Pre-Sessional English?



Meet the English language entry requirements necessary of a QA partner university programme



Focus on content-specific vocabulary, academic writing, reading, listening and speaking



Develop your confidence in an English-speaking academic environment



Familiarise yourself with British culture before starting university



Study a 5, 10, or 15 week programme to develop your English language skills, before progressing onto your chosen course

What will I study?

Through online social and academic activities and tasks, you will gain the necessary skills to successfully complete a UK university programme.

15 WEEK PROGRAMME

Focus on developing your reading, writing, speaking and listening skills, as well as vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation in both academic and social settings.

10/5 WEEK PROGRAMMES

- Develop the necessary language and academic skills required to achieve the most from your future degree through critical thinking, discussion and analysis.

87% OF STUDENTS PROGRESSED

- Onto their desired degree after successfully passing the course in 2023/24*

*Progression is not guaranteed and the course requires the full commitment of each student to successfully complete the course. The pass rate is based on 68 out of 78 students passing.

On completion of the course you will be able to undertake all aspects required of university study, as well as confidently socialise in informal settings. As Pre-Sessional English is open to students from across the world, the classes will be scheduled to meet the requirements for different time zones. Classes will be taught between 09:00 and 18:00 UK time. For more information visit: qahighereducation.com/courses/pse

Progression

You can progress onto Foundation, Undergraduate or Postgraduate degrees with our university partners. Please visit the online course page for more information. Meeting the required English language score to satisfy the language conditions of your progression course offer, depends on a mix of continuous assessment and end-of semester examinations (not IELTS). You are expected to apply for your progressing course separately, and meet all conditions of your offer.

COURSE OVERVIEW

Our Pre-Sessional English (PSE) programme is suitable for students wanting to improve their English, and experience and understand academic English. It can also be studied in conjunction with an IELTS preparation course to help get ready for an IELTS exam.

	2025				2026								
	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Fee
To start your progression course in January/February 2026:													
10 weeks													£3,000
5 weeks													£1,500
To start your progression course in May/June 2026:													
10 weeks													£3,000
5 weeks													£1,500
To start your progression course in September 2026:													
15 weeks													£4,500
10 weeks													£3,000
5 weeks													£1,500

Level	Pre-Sessional				
Duration	Dependent on your destination and current level.				
English requirements	Destination Course	7.0 Destination	6.5 Destination	6.0 Destination	5.5 Destination
	Target entry requirements (IELTS equivalent)	7.0 overall with a min of 7.0 in all components	6.5 overall with a min of 6.0 in all components	6.0 overall with no component below 5.5	5.5 overall with no component below 5.5
	5 weeks	6.6 overall with no component below 6.0	6.0 overall with no component below 5.0	5.5 overall with no component below 5.0	5.5 overall with no component below 5.0
	10 weeks	6.0 overall with no component below 5.5	5.5 overall with no component below 5.0	5.0 overall with no component below 4.5	5.0 overall with no component below 4.5
	15 weeks	5.5 overall with no component below 5.0	5.0 overall with no component below 4.5	4.5 overall with no component below 4.0	4.0 overall with no component below 4.0
Mode of study	Online				
Class size	18 (maximum)				
Study hours	16 hours plus 8 hours of scheduled drop-in sessions and tutorials per week; 24 hours in total. This should be accompanied with a minimum of 24 hours per week of self-study time.				
Assessment	Written assignments, presentations and exams.				
Academic entry requirements	There are no academic entry requirements for this programme. However, you will be required to meet the academic and English conditions for any course you plan to study after the Pre-Sessional English.				
Age restrictions	No minimum age. U18s require parental/guardian consent.				

HOW TO APPLY

Check your entry point

Check which entry point is most suitable for you and the minimum grades for your target course.

Talk to us

If you would like more information, please contact us and our advisers will be able to discuss the details of your academic history and recommend the best entry point for you.

Complete your application

The admissions team will consider your application and send you details of the outcome.

Successful applicants will receive an offer to study along with details for registration and enrolment.

The programme is taught by QA, a UK higher education provider. The information provided is accurate at the time of publication (July 2025) and QA will use all reasonable efforts to deliver the programme as described.



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