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OF UWS EDUCATION STUDENTS IN WORK/FURTHER STUDY SIX MONTHS AFTER GRADUATING<sup>A</sup>

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## UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST of SCOTLAND

## SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ENGLISH LANGUAGE FOR UNIVERSITY STUDY

This 41 week course is designed for students who need to improve their overall general English language over an extended period of time before joining their chosen degree programme at UWS. It includes an introduction to academic skills and IELTS preparation for degree level study. It is also ideal for students wishing to improve their English language skills in an academic setting.

## If you current level of English is IELTS 4.5 you may join the course in January and study for 26 weeks.

#### About the course

English Language for University Study is an intensive course taught by qualified and experienced tutors who will help you to achieve your academic goals. The focus of the course is to improve your English and prepare you for all aspects of academic study. Classes will include communicative seminars, discussion groups and presentations. Lectures and talks from outside speakers for developing skills in note-taking, seminar discussion and writing practice are an integral part of the course to give you the widest possible exposure to 'real English'. You will also have regular one-to-one tutorials where you can discuss your progress and identify any additional needs you might have. All of our classes are interactive and task-based to build your confidence and communication skills.

There are opportunities to participate in a vibrant social programme with events both on and off campus and excursions to explore the beautiful landscape and rich heritage that Scotland has to offer. This will enable you to make friends, broaden your horizons and practise your English in a more relaxed environment.

The course will introduce you to living in the UK and help you to be ready for your university studies.

In most cases, classes are small but on occasions you may be working in a larger group of up to 20 students.

#### Your learning

There are 21 hours of taught classes per week.

**General English** every morning concentrates on developing overall fluency and confidence in all four language skills - 15 hours per week.

**Study skills and Academic English** (three afternoons per week) concentrates on introducing you to higher education in the UK and developing study skills and proficiency in academic English - six hours per week.

As the course progresses the emphasis on academic English increases.

#### The content of the course includes:

- Developing reading, writing, speaking and listening skills
- Developing fluency through group work and oral presentations
- IELTS preparation and practice
- Grammar and vocabulary
- English for academic study

- Study skills
- Pronunciation
- Undertaking research projects
- Working collaboratively
- Living and studying in the UK-cultural awareness and global citizenship



#### Assessment

The development of your general English language will be assessed by means of a portfolio of written work and presentations, covering all four skills and showing some evidence of using basic research skills and methods. Your academic English development will be assessed through regular intensive English language tests.

#### Campus

Paisley

#### Sample timetable: English Language for University Study

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9am – 12.15pm	Communication Skills; Vocabulary	Reading; Grammar	Listening; Pronunciation	Life in the UK; Writing	Skills Development
1.15pm – 3.15pm	Academic English: Focus on skills	Presentations; Seminar discussion groups	Guest lecture; Note-taking	Tutorials	Free afternoon

**Please note:** this is a sample timetable only. Days and taught content may change.

#### Entry requirements, course dates and fees

Minimum Entry (IELTS for UKVI)	Course length	Start date	End date	Price			
Overall 4.0 Please note: Exceptionally we may accept an overall 4.0 with one single test score of 3.5** (see below)	41 weeks	5 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2016	14 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	£6900			
19th December 2016 - 6th January 2017 (Christmas break)							
Overall 4.5 (no single test score below 4.0)	26 weeks	9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	14 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	£4750			
24th April 2017 - 28th April 2017 (Spring break)							

\*\* If you are accepted with an overall 4.0 with one single test score at 3.5 you will be ineligible for a Tier 4 visa. You will have to apply for a short-term student visa and at the end of the course you will have to return home and apply from there for a Tier 4 visa.

**Please note:** The course fee does not include course books. You will need to buy course books which can be purchased here on arrival. The cost is approximately £45. All other materials will be supplied free of charge.

Social activities are normally free of charge. However sometimes there may be a small fee of between £5 and £20.

#### **Further information**

For specific queries related to your application for this course, please contact us at  ${\bf englishlanguage} @uws.ac.uk$ 





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