



PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH 2026



University
of Exeter

International
Study Centre

What is Pre-sessional English?

- An English language preparation for international students, offered **on-campus, hybrid¹ and online** with flexible start dates.
- Suitable for students with an offer to start a University of Exeter degree in September 2026.
- Develop essential skills in academic writing, reading, listening and speaking.

100%

of Pre-sessional English students continued to a UK university

(Based on students who completed the programme in 2024-25.)

On-campus Pre-sessional English course information

	18-WEEK COURSE	10-WEEK COURSE	6-WEEK COURSE
Delivery method	Hybrid ¹	On campus	On campus
Start date	Tue 07 Apr 2026	Mon 08 Jun 2026	Mon 06 Jul 2026
End date	Fri 14 Aug 2026	Fri 14 Aug 2026	Fri 14 Aug 2026
Application deadline	Fri 06 Mar 2026	Fri 08 May 2026	Fri 05 Jun 2026
Confirmation deadline	Fri 13 Mar 2026	Sat 16 May 2026	Fri 12 Jun 2026
English language entry requirements ²	For degree courses that require IELTS 6.0 or 6.5 overall for direct entry:		
	IELTS 5.0 (with 5.0 in writing and no other subskill less than 4.5)	IELTS 5.5 and no subskills less than 5.0	IELTS 6.0 and no subskills less than 5.5
	For degree courses that require IELTS 6.5 and no subskills less than 6.5 for direct entry:		
	IELTS 5.0 (with minimum 5.0 in all subskills)	IELTS 5.5 (with minimum 5.5 in all subskills)	IELTS 6.0 (with minimum 6.0 in all subskills)
Academic entry requirements	Offer of a place at the University of Exeter	Offer of a place at the University of Exeter	Offer of a place at the University of Exeter
Tuition fees	£8,020	£5,500	£3,350
Age requirement	16 years and above	16 years and above	16 years and above
Weekly learning hours	24.5 on average	24.5 on average	24.5 on average
Maximum class size	20 students	20 students	20 students

Find out more about On-campus Pre-sessional English >

1 For the 18-week course, the first 8 weeks are online and the final 10 weeks are on campus.

2 Only an official IELTS or other secure English language test (SELT) will be accepted as proof of English language proficiency for on-campus programmes. Requirements may vary depending on your intended degree program – see English language entry requirements table on page 4 for details.

Online Pre-sessional English course information

	12-WEEK COURSE	8-WEEK COURSE
Delivery method	Online	Online
Start date	Mon 01 Jun 2026	Mon 29 Jun 2026
End date	Fri 21 Aug 2026	Fri 21 Aug 2026
Application deadline	Fri 22 May 2026	Mon 22 Jun 2026
Confirmation deadline	Wed 27 May 2026	Wed 24 Jun 2026
English language entry requirements	For degree courses that require IELTS 6.0 for direct entry:	
	IELTS 5.0 (with a minimum of 5.0 in any subskill) or equivalent	IELTS 5.5 (with a minimum of 5.0 in any subskill and a 5.5 in writing) or equivalent
	For degree courses that require IELTS 6.5 for direct entry:	
	IELTS 5.5 (with a minimum of 5.0 in any subskill) or equivalent	IELTS 6.0 (with a minimum of 5.5 in three subskills and 5.0 in one subskill) or equivalent
Academic entry requirements	Offer of a place at the University of Exeter	Offer of a place at the University of Exeter
Tuition fees	£5,600	£3,750
Age requirement	16 years and above	16 years and above
Weekly learning hours	20	20

Find out more about Online Pre-sessional English >

Who is Pre-sessional English for?

If you're an international student with an offer to study at the University of Exeter, Pre-sessional English will help you achieve the English language entry requirements of your degree. Depending on your current English language level, you may need to complete a compulsory course in order to start your degree programme.

A range of English language tests are accepted, including IELTS, TOEFL, PTE and LanguageCert SELT.

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English language entry requirements

	COURSE DURATION		
	18-WEEK COURSE	10-WEEK COURSE	6-WEEK COURSE
<p>Degrees requiring IELTS 6.0 or 6.5 overall.</p> <p>UoE English Profiles A, B1, B2, B3</p>	<p>IELTS 5.0 (with 5.0 in writing and no other subskill less than 4.5)</p> <p>PTE 50 with 50 in writing and nothing less than 45 sub-scores</p>	<p>IELTS 5.5 (with no subskill less than 5.0)</p> <p>PTE 59 and nothing less than 50</p> <p>TOEFL IBT 72 overall, 16 in Writing, 15 in Listening, 15 in Reading, 17 in Speaking¹</p> <p>Duolingo Integrated 95 overall and no less than 85 in any sub-scores</p>	<p>IELTS 6.0 and nothing less than 5.5</p> <p>PTE 64 and nothing less than 59</p> <p>TOEFL IBT 87 overall, 17 in Writing, 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking</p> <p>Duolingo Integrated 110 overall and no less than 95 in any sub-scores</p>
<p>Degrees requiring IELTS 6.5 (with no subskill less than 6.5)</p> <p>UoE English Profile C</p>	<p>IELTS 5.0 (with minimum of 5.0 in all subskills)</p> <p>PTE 50 and nothing less than 50</p>	<p>IELTS 5.5 (with no subskills less than 5.5)</p> <p>PTE 59 and nothing less than 59</p> <p>TOEFL IBT 72 overall, in 17 Writing, in 17 Listening, 18 in Reading, in 20 Speaking</p> <p>Duolingo Integrated 95 overall and no less than 95 in any sub-scores</p>	<p>IELTS 6.0 and nothing less than 6.0</p> <p>PTE 64 and nothing less than 64</p> <p>TOEFL IBT 87 overall 21 in Writing, 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking</p> <p>Duolingo Integrated 110 overall and no less than 110 in any sub-scores</p>
<p>Degrees requiring IELTS 7.0 overall (with no subskill less than 6.0)</p> <p>UoE English Profile D</p>	<p>–</p>	<p>IELTS 6.0 (with no subskill less than 5.5)</p> <p>PTE 64 and nothing less than 59</p> <p>TOEFL IBT 87 overall, 17 in Writing, 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking</p> <p>Duolingo Integrated 110 overall and no less than 95 in any sub-scores</p>	<p>IELTS 6.5 (with 6.0 in reading, 6.0 in another subskill and no subskill less than 5.5)</p> <p>PTE 67 with 64 in Reading and another subskill and nothing less than 59</p> <p>TOEFL IBT 90 overall with 21 in Reading and Speaking, 17 in Listening and Writing</p> <p>Duolingo Integrated 120 overall and no less than 110 in Literacy and Comprehension and no subscore less than 95</p>

<p>Degrees requiring IELTS 7.0 overall (with 6.5 in writing and no subskill less than 6.0) UoE English Profile E</p>	<p>–</p>	<p>IELTS 6.0 (with 6.0 in Writing and nothing less than 5.5) PTE 64 overall, with 64 in Writing and nothing less than 59 TOEFL IBT 87 overall with 21 in Writing, 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking Duolingo Integrated 110 overall and no less than 110 in Production, nothing less than 95</p>	<p>IELTS 6.5 (with 6.0 in reading and writing, 6.0 in another subskill and no less than 5.5 in the other subskill) PTE 67 overall, with 64 in Reading and Writing and nothing less than 59 TOEFL IBT 90 overall with 21 in Reading, 21 in Writing, 17 Listening, 20 in Speaking Duolingo Integrated 120 overall and no less than 110 in Literacy and nothing less than 95</p>
<p>Degrees requiring IELTS 7.0 and nothing less than 6.5 UoE English Profile F</p>	<p>–</p>	<p>IELTS 6.0 (with no subskill less than 6.0) PTE 64 and nothing less than 64 TOEFL IBT 87 overall with 21 in Writing, 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking Duolingo Integrated 110 overall and no less than 110 in any sub-scores</p>	<p>IELTS 6.5 (with no subskill less than 6.0) PTE 67 overall and nothing less than 64 TOEFL IBT 90 overall with 21 in Writing, 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking Duolingo Integrated 120 overall and no less than 110 in any sub-scores</p>

¹ All Non-SELT can only be accepted for Online 8-week and 12-week Pre-sessional English if students are eligible for the combined CAS

Assessment

At the end of your course, you'll be assessed to ensure you've met the English language requirements to progress to your University of Exeter degree.

We use a variety of assessment methods including:

- extended essays
- integrated skills assessments
- listening tests
- presentations
- reading tests
- seminars.

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