

# PRE-SESSIONAL FAQs

## HOW CAN I BOOK MY PLACE FOR A PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?

You can book via the Pre-sessional English course booking tile on [MyApplication](#)

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

- £3,250 for the 11 week course
- £2,100 for the 5 week course

## WHAT IS THE DEADLINE FOR BOOKING ONTO A PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE AND MAKING A PAYMENT?

The deadline for 11 week Pre-sessional English course is **Friday 29 June**  
The deadline for 5 week Pre-sessional English course is **Sunday 2 August**

## HOW AND WHEN DO I PAY FOR THE COURSE?

Once you have registered for the course via your [MyApplication](#), you will receive a confirmation email. Within the email, you will find a link that takes you to the online store where you can pay for the Pre-Sessional course.

## WHEN DO THE ONLINE CLASSES TAKE PLACE?

Live online chat/video classes will be arranged throughout the study week (Monday-Friday) at times to best meet your needs. It is likely to be between 7:00-13:00 GMT to suit your time zone and this will be discussed with you once the course starts.

## HOW MANY HOURS PER WEEK IS THE ONLINE PART OF THE PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?

In the first week, the course will focus on helping you to accustom to the new learning environment, introduce and meet your tutors. Following this, it is 35 hours per week of study time including self-study learning activities, assignments, live sessions and discussion topics.

## WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRE-SESSIONAL COURSE?

There is a [Pre-Sessional PDF guide on our website](#) which explains in more detail the contents of the course and the steps to applying, as well as accommodation options and how to book for the on-campus part of the course.

**I NEED A TIER 4 VISA TO STUDY IN THE UK. DO I STILL NEED TO PROVIDE AN IELTS FOR UKVI BEFORE BEING ACCEPTED ONTO THE PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?**

You need an UKVI IELTS score for the on-campus 5 week Pre-sessional English course.

You can join the 6 week online part of the Pre-sessional English course with a regular Academic IELTS result OR LanguageCert OR IELTS indicator. However, you will need to take a UKVI IELTS to obtain a CAS and visa to travel to the UK for the 5 week on-campus Pre-sessional English course.

We recommend you take the UKVI IELTS test within the first 2 weeks of the online Pre-sessional English course to ensure you have your UKVI IELTS in sufficient time to apply for a visa.

**Please note:**

Due to exceptional changes to the Home Office regulations for this year only, we are able to accept other English tests in addition to the UKVI IELTS for the Pre-sessional English course. You may only submit a non-UKVI IELTS test in order to obtain a CAS for the 5 week Pre-sessional English if there is no opportunity to take a qualifying Secure English Language Test (e.g. UKVI IELTS). If you are planning to take a non-SELT test for the purposes of admission to the Pre-sessional course, please contact the International Office ([international@aub.ac.uk](mailto:international@aub.ac.uk)) for more information so we can confirm you are eligible.

**I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO TAKE AN IELTS TEST AND I CANNOT TAKE ONE BECAUSE THE TEST CENTRES ARE CURRENTLY SHUT IN MY AREA. WHAT SHOULD I DO? ARE THERE ANY ALTERNATIVE ENGLISH TESTS ACCEPTED FOR PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?**

For the 6 week online Pre-sessional English course, we also accept:

**BA 1 year entry**

- Pearson Test of English (PTE) with an overall score of 45 with no less than 43 in each section
- LanguageCert B1 Achiever (including written and speaking tests) with a high pass
- IELTS indicator: IELTS 5.0 overall with 4.5 in each band

**BA 2/3 year entry and MA**

- Pearson Test of English (PTE) with a score of 51 with no less than 46 in each section
- LanguageCert B2 Communicator (both written and spoken assessments) test and score a pass
- IELTS indicator: IELTS 5.5 overall with 5.0 in each band

**I REGISTERED AND PAID FOR 11 WEEK PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE WITH A NON-UKVI IELTS ENGLISH TEST RESULT. I UNDERSTAND THAT I NEED TO TAKE UKVI IELTS IN THE FIRST 2 WEEKS AFTER THE COURSE STARTS TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE ON-CAMPUS PART OF THE COURSE. WHAT IS THE SCORE REQUIRED?**

You will be able to join the 5 week part of the course with the same requirement for the 11 week course, which is UKVI IELTS overall 5.0 with 4.5 or higher in all components as we appreciate you will have to do the UKVI IELTS before you have completed the online part of the course.

If you are unable to meet the above, unfortunately, you would not be able to progress to the 5 week part of the course. You can still complete the 6 week course and defer your place to 2021. We will refund £2,100.

If you do the 5 week in-person Pre-sessional English course only, without the 6 week online part, you are required to meet UKVI IELTS overall 5.5 with 5.0 or higher in all components.

**IF I AM ON 11 WEEK PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE AND HAVE UKVI IELTS RESULT FOR VISA APPLICATION PURPOSES, DO I HAVE TO TAKE AN IN-COURSE ASSESSMENT BEFORE GOING ON 5 WEEKS PART**

The course includes weekly assessments and tests. Tutors will monitor your progress through the course and assess if you have reached the minimum UKVI requirement to join the face-to-face part of the Pre-Sessional English Course at Arts University Bournemouth. Please be assured that it would not be difficult as long as you follow the course, complete all the required studies and attend live chat/video classes.

**WHAT HAPPENS IF I DO NOT PASS THE PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?**

If you do not pass the Pre-sessional English course, unfortunately you would not be able to start your chosen BA or MA course this year. You can still keep your place on the course by deferring the start to September 2021.

**I HAVEN'T RECEIVED MY HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA/UNIVERSITY DEGREE YET. CAN I STILL ENROL ON THE PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?**

**Yes**, we can issue a CAS for the Pre-sessional English course only if you have not met the academic requirements and then you will have to extend your Tier 4 in the UK.

**ARE THERE ANY OTHER WAYS I CAN MEET THE ENGLISH REQUIREMENT OTHER THAN TAKING THE PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?**

**Yes**, please see <https://aub.ac.uk/international/how-to-apply/english-test/>

**DO YOU ACCEPT RESULTS FROM OTHER UK UNIVERSITIES' PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSES?**

Unfortunately, we do not. However, please do contact us to discuss your situation with regards to any English tests or certificates you may have already undertaken, or are planning to take, and we will be able to advise you regarding eligibility and next steps for your application.