

Pre-sessional Programmes focus

The main emphasis for the Pre-sessional Programmes is on academic English. Whilst you are expected to read and conduct research on your subject area for your programme work, the Pre-sessional Programmes cover English for academic purposes that can be applied to any discipline. These programmes are very different from other English language programmes students may have taken previously; they also develop your academic skills such as critical thinking and integrating sources and help you to understand UK academic conventions.

Please note these programmes are full-time and attendance is compulsory. You should expect to study for at least 8 hours per day.

Aims

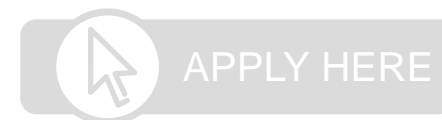
The Pre-sessional Programmes will prepare you for the demands of your programme of study by:

- increasing your overall level of English language proficiency;
- equipping you with the academic English and study skills required to cope with the learning demands of a Loughborough degree programme; and
- assisting your integration into the British social and academic environment.

Learning outcomes

The Pre-sessional Programme is designed to equip you with the skills to succeed on your academic programme here at Loughborough University.

Pre-sessional dates, fees and entry requirements



PROGRAMME	COST	LENGTH (WEEKS)	DATES	MINIMUM ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS*	APPLICATION DEADLINE
ONLINE PROGRAMME C	£5390	11	Monday 26 June – Friday 15 September 2023	The minimum requirement for this course is IELTS 5.5 overall with no subtest below 5.0 Please note: Some schools have higher entry requirements Check here for undergraduate , postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme requirements	11.59pm BST (GMT +1) Sunday 28 May 2023
ONLINE PROGRAMME D	£2940	6	Monday 17 July – Friday 01 September 2023	The minimum requirement for this course is IELTS 6.0 overall with no subtest below 5.5 Please note: Some schools have higher entry requirements Check here for undergraduate , postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme requirements	11.59pm BST (GMT +1) Sunday 18 June 2023
CAMPUS BASED PROGRAMME C	£5390	11	Tuesday 04 July – Friday 22 September 2023	The minimum requirement for this course is IELTS 5.5 overall with no subtest below 5.0 Please note: Some schools have higher entry requirements Check here for undergraduate , postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme requirements	11.59pm BST (GMT +1) Sunday 04 June 2023
CAMPUS BASED PROGRAMME D	£2940	6	Tuesday 01 August - Friday 15 September 2023	The minimum requirement for this course is IELTS 6.0 overall with no subtest below 5.5. Secure English Language Test (SELT) required. Please note: Some schools have higher entry requirements Check here for undergraduate , postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme requirements	11.59pm BST (GMT +1) Sunday 02 July 2023

Our Pre-sessional Programmes have been carefully designed to maximise your learning potential in a supportive environment.

We are using a successful teaching approach called 'flipped learning' where you work through learning materials

This is an opportunity to help shape the programme through feedback from yourself and your peers. We are responsive to feedback and make alterations where possible to aid your learning. This mirrors what happens on your academic programmes at Loughborough University and Loughborough University London.

- Access to library materials with thousands of resources and support from Academic Librarians.
- An orientation programme.

BUDDY TASKS

We learn so much when we work with others and our understanding of a subject increases. Within the programme there are specific tasks and activities you do with your 'study buddy'. A 'study buddy' is another student you work with and is allocated by your tutor. Your tutor will change who your 'study buddy' is during the programme to allow you to work with others and make new friends.

INDEPENDENT LEARNING

Independent learning is very important when studying at a UK university and is a skill that we help you to develop within the supportive environment. As well as undertaking learning within your seminar group, and with a buddy, there are many learning activities and tasks that you complete alone. You are then able to bring that learning and understanding to your seminar, study buddy or to your tutorials to get further help and guidance as you develop.

You can access a weekly syllabus to refer to which explains things such as: study focus for each day of the week; whether you have seminars, tutorials or assessments; any homework; timings for the day, etc. The timings will be based around a normal GMT (UK time) working day. See examples of a sample study day in the next pages.



TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS ONLINE AND CAMPUS BASED

For both online and campus-based delivery, all students will be required to have the following technology for the full duration of their programme:

- Laptop/desktop of an appropriate specification:
 - Adequate drive space and memory (eg to run MS Teams, multimedia resources and store multiple files).
 - Working speakers, webcam and microphone (can be internal to your machine);
 - A smartphone capable of using the Duomobile app which is required for authentication to access university software (including the virtual learning environment, 'Learn');
 - A licenced and up to date version of Windows or Mac OS;
 - The latest version of Google Chrome or Firefox.
- A stable broadband connection (minimum internet speeds – 10Mbps). Campus-based students will be able to access adequate connection when on campus.
- We also recommend that students use a headset with a microphone for use during seminars and tutorials.



Online student testimonials

There are many different reasons we think you should undertake a Pre-sessional Programme, but let's see what our students say...



Taking the Pre-sessional Programme was the right decision for me so far. I've learnt several useful and effective skills that I use in my postgraduate student life. I love the way that teacher helps us to improve us into our better selves, increases our self-awareness and being there every time we've needed them

Before I came to UK I was worried about my writing and reading skills, however, after I studied on the Pre-sessional Programme, I've improved and gained more confidence in my English skills. From my perspective, I've gained a lot of skills from the Pre-sessional, such as summarising, paraphrasing, and matrixing (very useful!). I would like to tell anyone that

Why would you want to study



