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of Pre-sessional English students progressed to Queen's University Belfast in 2015



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# Pre-sessional English

English language preparation for international students

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The Pre-sessional English course provides a short and intensive preparation in academic English for students who are already academically gualified and due to start an undergraduate or postgraduate degree programme at Queen's University Belfast in September 2016.

## WHAT IS PRE-SESSIONAL **ENGLISH?**

Pre-sessional English provides high quality academic English lessons which prepare international students for academic study at Queen's University Belfast.

This course is designed to:

- improve your English language proficiency in the core skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing, within a university context
- focus on subject-related work in your chosen area of study including a written project
- help you to study independently using our extensive online materials.

## WHO SHOULD APPLY FOR THIS COURSE?

This 20-hour per week course is suitable for you if you are academically qualified, hold an offer from Queen's University Belfast, and need to improve your English language level before starting an undergraduate or a postgraduate degree at Queen's University Belfast. The Pre-sessional course runs from July to early September. Your course length will vary depending on your current language level and degree programme requirements.

## WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT **THIS COURSE?**

- Provides contextual study skills that acclimatise you to the culture of a UK university.
- Enables you to adjust to the demands, challenges and expectations of UK higher education and culture.
- Provides you with a short period of time to adapt to living and studying in the UK prior to beginning your academic studies.

## **ASSESSMENT AND COURSE** OUTCOMES

Assuming you have already met the University's academic entry requirements and any other outstanding conditions, successful completion of the Pre-sessional English course will allow you to progress to your university course, without the requirement to retake the IELTS test.

Depending on the type of Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) you are issued, you may be required to sit end of course exams and demonstrate the minimum level of performance required by your University offer in order to progress to your main degree programme.

You will be assessed through a combination of examination and coursework during the course. Methods of assessment will include short written tests, extended essays and presentations. At the end of the course, reading, writing, speaking and listening tests will be completed.

## Key course facts

Start dates June, July and August

## **Course dates**

Mon 27 Jun 2016-Fri 02 Sep 2016 (10 weeks) Mon 25 Jul 2016-Fri 02 Sep 2016 (6 weeks) Mon 08 Aug 2016-Fri 02 Sep 2016 (4 weeks)

## **Course length**

4, 6 or 10 weeks

#### **Class hours** 20 hours per week

## **Class size**

A maximum of 16 students per class

## Age requirement

17 years and above

## Academic entry requirement

Applicants must hold an offer of a place on a degree programme at Queen's University Belfast.

#### **English language entry requirement** For degree courses that require IELTS 6.5 for direct entry

4 weeks: IELTS 6.5 (with a minimum of 5.5 in any subskill) or equivalent 6 weeks: IELTS 6.0 (with a minimum of 5.5 in three subskills and 5.0 in one subskill) or equivalent 10 weeks: IELTS 5.5 (with a minimum of 5.0 in any subskill) or equivalent

#### For degree courses that require IELTS 6.0 for direct entry

4 weeks: IELTS 6.0 (with a minimum of 5.5 in any subskill) or equivalent 6 weeks: IELTS 5.5 (with a minimum of 5.0 in any subskill) or equivalent 10 weeks: IELTS 5.0 (with a minimum of 5.0 in any subskill) or equivalent

Please ensure you consult Queen's University Belfast for details of the English language level required for entry onto your chosen course.

## **Tuition fees**

10 weeks: £3.350 6 weeks: £2,010 4 weeks: £1,340

Tuition fees do not include:

• Textbooks and other learning materials: £82 per course.

### **Further guidance**

For further guidance please check with the INTO Admissions Office or your local education counsellor.

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## ACCOMMODATION

## University residences

Queen's residential accommodation is among the best and most modern in the UK. The University has invested over £45 million in providing excellent facilities at Elms Student Village.

The Village is in a pleasant residential area, within walking distance of both the University and the INTO Centre. Accommodation is offered on a self-catered basis and includes private bedroom with en suite shower, shared kitchen and common room, dining table, soft seating and a television. Facilities include a reception open 24 hours, seven days a week, additional security cover, Wi-Fi and the Treehouse Student Centre, which includes a laundry, recreational games area, a shop and computer facilities.

## Accommodation prices 2016

Halls of Residence 10 weeks: £1,380 6 weeks: £840 4 weeks: £570

## **HOW DO I APPLY?**

Complete the application form and send it along with your supporting documentation to:

INTO Queen's University Belfast Queen's University Belfast 2-8 Lennoxvale Belfast BT9 5BY Northern Ireland T: +44 28 9097 6850

E: psequb@into.uk.com

You can also apply online at: www.intohigher.com/queens/apply

## What documents do I need to include?

- Completed application form, signed by the student or the parent/legal guardian.
- A copy of your university offer letter.
- Copy(ies) of English language certificate(s) in English.
- Full details of previous study in the UK.
- A copy of your passport.

## What next?

After carefully reviewing the application, if successful, we will send a formal offer of a place. For complete applications, this is usually within two working days.

Once we have received the tuition fee and accommodation deposit (as detailed in the offer letter) and all the conditions of the offer have been met, we will send your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) which is needed in order to apply for a Tier 4 (General) visa.

## **VISA INFORMATION**

Applicants from outside the EU/EEA will need to obtain a Tier 4 (General) visa in order to study the Pre-sessional course. Queen's University Belfast will provide you with a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) which is required for your visa application. Depending on your level of English, you will receive either;

- A CAS which covers the Pre-sessional course only. You must then fulfil the conditions of your University offer in the Pre-sessional exams in order to progress to your main degree programme.
- An integrated CAS which covers both the Pre-sessional course and main degree programme but still requires you to participate in the Pre-sessional exams and fulfil the conditions of your University offer in order to progress to your main degree programme.
- An integrated CAS which covers both the Pre-sessional course and main degree programme but does not require you to participate in the Pre-sessional exams.
- Students who do not require a Tier 4 (General) visa will be required to participate in the end of course assessment and fulfil the conditions of their University offer in order to progress to their main degree programme.

The minimum requirements to be issued with an integrated CAS are outlined below. In order to qualify for an integrated CAS students must have only one English language condition outstanding on their offer letter issued by Queen's University Belfast.

## MINIMUM ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR INTEGRATED CAS

Students entering with an integrated CAS at this level will not be required to sit the end of course examination. Students will be required to meet minimum participation and attendance requirements.

REQUIREMENT FOR AN INTEGRATED CAS WITH NO END OF COURSE EXAMINATION					
English language requirement	10 week programme	6 week programme			
Queen's University degrees that require IELTS 6.5 with no less than 5.5 in each subskill	IELTS 6.0 overall with a minimum of 5.5 in each subskill	IELTS 6.0 overall with a minimum of 5.5 in each subskill			
Queen's University degrees that require IELTS 6.0 with no less than 5.5 in each subskill	IELTS 5.5 overall with a minimum of 5.5 in each subskill	IELTS 5.5 overall with a minimum of 5.5 in each subskill			

Students entering with an integrated CAS at this level will be required to sit an end of course examination and prove that they have reached CEFR B2 in all subskills before progressing to the main degree programme. Students will be required to meet minimum participation and attendance requirements.

## **REQUIREMENT FOR AN INTEGRATED CAS WITH END OF COURSE EXAMINATION**

English language requirement	10 week programme	6 week programme
Queen's University degrees that require IELTS 6.5 with no less than 5.5 in each subskill	IELTS 6.0 overall with 5.5 two subskills and 5.0 in two subskills	IELTS 6.0 overall with 5.5 in three subskills and 5.0 in one subskill
Queen's University degrees that require IELTS 6.0 with no less than 5.5 in each subskill	IELTS 5.5 overall with 5.5 two subskills and 5.0 in two subskills	IELTS 5.5 overall with 5.5 in three subskills and 5.0 in one subskill

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You should return your application pack to your local education counsellor or directly to the IN one month before your intended start date. Please send to: INTO Queen's University Belfast, Queen's University Belfast, 2-8 Lennoxvale, I T: +44 28 9097 6850   E: psequb@into.uk.com You can also apply online at www.intohigher.com/queens/apply	
Section 1 Student details (You must complete this section accurately otherwise	your visa application may be affected)
	Do you have dual nationality status? Yes No.

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms)	Do you have dual nationality status?			
Family name	If <b>yes</b> , please provide full details			
Other names	Permanent country of residence			
Gender M F Date of birth / / (dd/mm/yy) Current age	Student's home address (you must complete this accurately as it may affect your visa)			
What type of visa do you intend to apply for?				
Student Tier 4 visa Short term study visa No visa	City			
Name as written on passport	Postcode Country			
Passport number	Student's telephone numbers in country of residence (including international code)			
Nationality / citizenship	Tel Mobile telephone			
Do you have or are you applying for permanent residence in the UK? Yes No	Student's email address			
Are you a US citizen or a US permanent resident? Yes No				

## Section 2 Parent/Spouse/Family member and Sponsor details

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms)	Postcode Country
Family name	Telephone (including international code)
Other names	Email address
Relationship to student	How do you intend to fund your studies?
Contact address	Self Family Employer* Sponsor*
	*Name of employer/sponsor:
City	

Section 3	INTO course selection	

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Proposed undergraduate or postgraduate degree programme (Must be completed for visa purposes)

Please provide the name of the degree programme you intend to study at university:

Please provide your Queen's University Application number (you will find this on your Queen's offer letter):

## Section 4 Student's education history

Please give full details of your current or most recent school, college or university. For visa purposes	
we must have a full history of your academic background. Please ensure any gaps in your education	-
are fully explained either on the application form or enclosed with your supporting documentation. All	F
official institution transcripts, latest available results or forecast results must be submitted in English.	-
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I confirm that I have included full details of all of my academic studies and do not have any plans to study further prior to enrolling on my programme with INTO. I understand that failure to provide full information on my academic studies may result in a visa refusal and/or dismissal from the Centre.

Institution name								
Dates of study	1	1	to	1	1	(c	ld/mm/yy)	
Date you received (or will receive) your certificate / / (dd/mm/yy)								
Highest educational qualification name								
Language of instruction								

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Email ad	dress						
Have yo	u ever	studied	in the U	K?			Yes No
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Section 5 current English language proficiency         Please tick and enter details of your most recent English language test.         Note: students will be assessed upon arrival and study plans WILL be altered if there is any discrepancy. Please provide a copy of your certificate.         IELTS for UKVI       Trinity College London       Other (please specify)	Have you arranged to take any other English language test(s) before starting your INTO course? Ves No Name of exam Date due to be taken / / (dd/mm/yy)
Section 6 Welfare	
Do you have any conditions, medical or otherwise, that may impact your time in the UK?       Yes       No         Completion and signing of this form gives INTO permission to administer first aid by trained staff first aiders if required.       Do you consider yourself to have a disability?       Yes       No         Have you been convicted of a relevant criminal offence?       Yes       No         If you have answered <b>yes</b> to any of the above, please provide full details with your application on a separate sheet.	Travel and medical insurance         The full cost of Uniplan insurance will be added to the invoice unless proof of alternative adequate cover is included with the application.         I understand that Uniplan insurance will be added to the invoice         Uniplan Insurance cover commences one week before your programme start date and finishes one week after your programme end date. If you require a longer period of cover please complete the start and end dates below:         Start date       /       (dd/mm/yy) End date       /       (dd/mm/yy)         I have my own insurance and enclose a copy
Section 7 Accommodation options         INTO accommodation required?       Yes       No         Please indicate the building and room type you would prefer by ticking 2 boxes below to indicate your 1st and 2nd choice of accommodation.       Please note that INTO aims to provide the highest preference requested but, if this is not available, INTO reserves the right to provide or suggest alternative accommodation.         Ist preference:       2nd preference:         Elms Village En suite room       Image: Compare the suite room         Willow Walk room       Image: Compare the suite room         Homestay       Image: Compare the suite room	Do you envisage that you will have any specific requirements in student accommodation as a result of a disability/medical condition? Ves No Dietary requirements Please give details of special dietary requirements e.g. halal, vegetarian, no pork, any food allergies.
Section 8 Airport pickup Flight details including arrival date and flight number should be emailed to ukarrival.details@into.uk.com as soon as possible. All under 18 students must either book an INTO airport pickup or provide evidence of alternative arrangements.	Do you require an airport pickup? Yes No Belfast International Airport (£57) Belfast City Airport (£42)
Section 9 Declaration         I declare that the information I have supplied on and with this form is complete and correct         I have read and understood and agree to abide by the terms and conditions available at:         www.intohigher.com/queens/terms         I agree to abide by the Cancellation and Refund Policy         I agree to pay all tuition and accommodation and sundry expense fees as they become due         I understand that the giving of false or incomplete information may lead to the refusal of my application or cancellation of my enrolment         I agree that copies of my academic progress and performance reports can be supplied to parents, sponsors or education counsellors without further notification         I agree that my records and achievements may be used for promotional purposes, without further notification	Signed       Date       /       (dd/mm/yy)         (Parent/guardian) For students under 18       0r       5         Signed       Date       /       (dd/mm/yy)         (Student)       (dd/mm/yy)       (student)       10

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## Want to find out more?

If you would like to find out more about any of our courses or services, please visit our website. You can also contact the Centre via email or phone, or visit one of our education counsellors in your home country.

## **Enquiries and applications**

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