

Pre-Sessional Programme Entry Requirements

Target: IELTS 6.5 (6.0 individual bands)

Your current IELTS score	DET score	Pearson (PTE)	Cambridge	TOEFL iBT	Language Cert (IESOL)	Programme length
6.0 - no skill less than 6.0	105 – minimum 105 in all subscores	59 overall with no component below 59	169 overall with no skill less than 169	60 overall Minimum 18 in Speaking, 13 in reading, 12 in listening & 21 in writing	Minimum 33 in all skills on B2 Communicator	6 weeks
6.0/5.5 - no skill less than 5.5	95 – minimum 95 in all subscores	51 overall with no component below 51	169 overall with no skill less than 161	46 overall Minimum 16 in Speaking, 8 in reading, 7 in listening & 18 in writing	Minimum 25 in all skills on B2 Communicator	12 weeks
5.5 - maximum 2 skills at 5.0 and none lower	95 – 2 subscores may be at 80, none lower than 80. Speaking must be minimum 85	51 overall maximum 2 components at 43 with no component below 43	161 overall 2 skills may be at 155, none lower than 155	46 overall Minimum 15 in Speaking, 4 in reading, 4 in listening & 15 in writing	N/A	16 weeks

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Your current IELTS score	DET score	Pearson (PTE)	Cambridge	TOEFL iBT	Language Cert IESOL	Programme length
6.0 - no skill less than 6.0	110– Minimum 110 in all subscores	59 overall with no component below 59	169 overall with no skill less than 169	60 overall Minimum 18 in Speaking, 13 in reading, 12 in listening & 21 in writing	Minimum 33 in all skills on B2 Communicator	6 weeks
6.0/5.5 - minimum 1 skill at 6.0 and none below 5.5	100 – Speaking & writing must be 100, reading and/or listening can be at 95	51 overall 1 component must be at 59 with no component below 51	169 overall with one skill must be at 169 no skill less than 161	TBC	Minimum 25 in all skills on B2 Communicator Writing or Speaking must be 33	12 weeks
5.5 - all skills at 5.5	95 – Minimum 95 in all subscores	51 overall with no component below 51	161 overall with no skill less than 161	45 overall Minimum 16 in Speaking, 8 in reading, 7 in listening & 18 in writing	n/a	16 weeks

Target: IELTS 7 (6.5 individual bands)

Your current IELTS score	DET score	Pearson (PTE)	Cambridge	TOEFL iBT	Language Cert IESOL	Programme length
6.5 - no skill less than 6.5	120 – minimum 120 in all subscores	63 overall with no component below 63	184 overall with no skill less than 176	TBC	TBC	6 weeks
6.5/6.0 - no skill less than 6.0	105 – minimum 105 in all subscores	59 overall with no component below 59	169 overall with no skill less than 169	TBC	TBC	12 weeks
6.0 - maximum 2 skills at 5.5 and none lower	105 – 2 subscores may be at 95, none lower than 95. Speaking & writing must be minimum 105	59 overall maximum 2 components at 51 with no component below 51	169 overall 2 skills at 161 with no skill less than 161	TBC	TBC	16 weeks

Target: IELTS 7 (7.0 individual bands)

Your current IELTS score	DET score	Pearson (PTE)	Cambridge	TOEFL iBT	Language Cert IESOL	Programme length
6.5 - no skill less than 6.5	120 – minimum 120 in all subscores	63 overall with no component below 63	184 overall with no skill less than 176	TBC	TBC	6 weeks
6.5/6.0 - no skill less than 6.0	110 – minimum 110 in all subscores	59 overall with no component below 59	169 overall with no skill less than 169	TBC	TBC	12 weeks
6.0 - Speaking & Writing must be 6.0 with min 5.5 in Listening & Reading	105 – Speaking & writing must be minimum 105, Reading & listening must be minimum 100	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	16 weeks

Target: IELTS 7 (7 in writing, 6.5 individual bands)

Your current IELTS score	DET score	Pearson (PTE)	Cambridge	TOEFL iBT	Language Cert IESOL	Programme length
6.5 - no skill less than 6.5	120 – minimum 120 in all subscores	63 overall with no component below 63	184 overall with no skill less than 176	TBC	TBC	6 weeks
6.5/6.0 - no skill less than 6.0	110 – minimum 105 in all subscores. Writing must be minimum 110	59 overall with no component below 59	169 overall with no skill less than 169	TBC	TBC	12 weeks
6.0 - maximum 2 skills at 5.5 and none lower	105 – 2 subscores may be at 95, none lower than 95. Writing must be minimum 100	59 overall maximum 2 components at 51 with no component below 51	169 overall 2 skills at 161 with no skill less than 161	TBC	TBC	16 weeks

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