

Academic English for International Students



University of Oxford Language Centre

Pre-sessional Course in Academic English – Frequently Asked Questions

General Information

Q: Can you send me more information about this program?

A: All necessary information and application details are available on our Pre-sessional Course webpage: <https://www.lang.ox.ac.uk/summer-presessional-english-course>

Q: Is accommodation provided?

A: As the course is online, accommodation is not applicable.

Program Dates

Q: When is the application deadline?

A: Applications close at 12 noon UK time (BST) on Monday, 30 June 2025. Early application is recommended due to limited spaces.

Q: What are the course dates?

A: The course runs full-time from Monday to Friday, 7 July 2025 to 15 August 2025.

Tuition & Fees

Q: What is the cost of the program?

A: The fee for the Pre-sessional Course is £2,950.

Q: Can I pay in instalments?

A: We do not offer instalment plans; full payment is required upon acceptance.

Program Type & Duration

Q: Is the pre-sessional course available online?

A: Yes, the course is exclusively offered online.

Q: What is the timetable for the pre-sessional course?

A: The six-week intensive program includes:

- Live classes, lectures, seminars and discussions (2-3 hours per day, four days a week).

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- Recorded lectures and content (up to 1 hour, four days a week).
- Independent learning and self-study which is often connected to specific tasks (minimum of 20 hours per week).
- Group work and discussions as an integral part of learning.
- Discussion forums for asynchronous learning and interaction. Students will be able to post questions and comments to their tutors and fellow course participants.
- A typical week includes four days of classes and one day for tutorials, feedback, and task completion. Typically, live class sizes will be no greater than ten students and may well be lower than this.
- More details will be provided in the student handbook, sent three weeks before the course start date.

Study Place

Q: Where is the course conducted?

A: The Oxford Online Pre-sessionals are an online course delivered through real-time classes, small seminars, online lectures recorded by our Academic English team, and one-to-one and group tutorials with English tutors (using video conferencing software).

Funding

Q: Are there any funding options?

A: The Language Centre does not provide financial assistance for this program; students are responsible for their own fees.

How to Apply

Q: What documents are required for application?

A: Applicants should indicate their current English proficiency and submit any relevant language certificates (e.g., IELTS results) if available.

Q: What is the admission process?

A: As part of the application process, you will need to indicate your current English level and submit copies of any language proficiency certificates (e.g. previous IELTS test results) you have received, if these are available.

Language

Q: In what language is the course taught?

A: The Pre-sessionals Course in Academic English is taught entirely in English.