

# PRE-SESSIONAL COURSES/PREPARING YOU FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE

**Our pre-sessional courses take place before you start your degree at Kent, to fully prepare you for future study. They focus on developing your English language and study skills so that you can meet the level of proficiency required for your chosen degree.**

## Why take this course?

As a student on one of our pre-sessional courses, you are a member of the University, with access to all the leisure, support and study facilities on campus. We also offer you a place in our purpose-built student accommodation. If your final grade meets your condition of entry, you do not need to take another Secure English Language Test (SELT), such as IELTS.

Our pre-sessional courses:

- give you time to settle in to life in the UK and get to know your campus and city
- introduce you to the UK university learning style and academic culture
- help improve your grammar and further develop your vocabulary
- expand your critical thinking skills, particularly in academic reading and writing
- develop your ability to read academic texts, listen to lectures, participate in seminars and deliver presentations
- provide you with the opportunity to meet other international students through organised social activities and trips to local places of interest.

## Course structure

We offer a series of pre-sessional courses throughout the academic year. They range from 17 to four weeks. All of the courses are available at our Canterbury campus. The 10 and six week courses are also available at our Medway campus. Which course you take depends on your current level of English and the level required for your future degree.

Please see overleaf for details of the different courses.

Depending on which pre-sessional course you need to take, if you plan to study for a degree at our Medway campus, your pre-sessional course could either take place in Canterbury or Medway. Please contact us for further information.



## Teaching

These are intensive, full-time courses, with approximately 20-25 hours of classes per week. Teaching includes workshops, seminars, individual tutorials, independent research tasks and group and pair work.

## Assessment

Assessment is through a combination of assignments and coursework. At the end of the course, you take the Kent International Test of English (KITE), which tests all four language skills.

## Supportive environment

Our staff are here to offer you support so that you can make the most of your experience at Kent. We also offer a social programme, led by current Kent students, to enhance your life outside the classroom.

## Accommodation

Accommodation is in self-catered flats with either shared or en-suite (private) bathrooms. For further information and a virtual tour, please see: [www.kent.ac.uk/hospitality/virtual-tours/student/](http://www.kent.ac.uk/hospitality/virtual-tours/student/)

## How to apply

Please apply online and submit electronic copies of the following documents as soon as possible:

- your most recent language test certificate (this must have been taken at a UKVI approved test centre)

- a copy of your photo ID and visa stamp pages of your passport.

For more details and instructions on how to apply, please go to: [www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional](http://www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional)

## How to pay

When you receive your offer letter, it will include a link to pay your tuition and accommodation fees.

If you require a Tier 4 visa, when we have received your payment, we will issue your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS), which you need to apply for your visa.

If your fees are being paid by a sponsor, please email us a copy of the financial guarantee letter from your sponsor.

## Contact us

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# PRE-SESSIONAL COURSES 2020/ DATES AND FEES

Course	Example IELTS entry level	Example IELTS exit level	Dates	Tuition fees only	Tuition fees and accommodation*
You must have a conditional firm offer for a degree at Kent to take a 17, 10 or six-week course.					
17 weeks	5.0 IELTS (with minimum of 4.5 in all skills)	6.0	7 May 2020- 4 September 2020	£5,608	£8,180 (shared bathroom) £9,422 (en suite)
This course aims to increase the overall and skills by 1.5 IELTS band	5.0 IELTS (with minimum of 4.5 in all skills)	6.5			
	5.5 IELTS (with minimum of 5.0 in all skills)	7.0			
10 weeks	5.0 IELTS (with minimum of 5.0 in all skills)	6.0	25 June 2020- 4 September 2020	£3,512	£5,150 (shared bathroom) £5,942 (en suite)
This course aims to increase the overall and skills by 1.0 IELTS band	5.5 IELTS (with minimum of 5.0 in all skills)	6.5			
	6.0 IELTS (with minimum of 5.5 in all skills)	7.0			
Six weeks	5.5 IELTS (with minimum of 5.5 in listening and speaking and 5.0 in reading and writing)	6.0	23 July 2020- 4 September 2020	£2,132	£3,237 (shared bathroom) £3,771 (en suite)
This course aims to increase the overall and skills by 0.5 IELTS band	6.0 IELTS (with a minimum of 5.5 in all skills)	6.5			
	6.5 IELTS (with minimum of 6.0 in all skills)	7.0			
Four weeks	This course is for students who already have an unconditional firm offer for their Kent degree, but who wish to take a pre-sessional course before starting their degree.	N/A	16 August 2020- 4 September 2020	£1,196	£1,843 (shared bathroom) £2,156 (en suite)
10 weeks (Medway)	5.0 IELTS (with minimum of 5.0 in all skills)	6.0	25 June 2020- 4 September 2020	£3,512	Ensuite accommodation only – cost TBC Feb 2020
This course aims to increase the overall and skills by 1.0 IELTS band	5.5 IELTS (with minimum of 5.0 in all skills)	6.5			
	6.0 IELTS (with minimum of 5.5 in all skills)	7.0			
6 weeks (Medway)	5.5 IELTS (with minimum of 5.5 in listening and speaking and 5.0 in reading and writing)	6.0	20 July 2020- 4 September 2020	£2,339	Ensuite accommodation only – Cost TBC Feb 2020
This course aims to increase the overall and skills by 0.5 IELTS band	6.0 IELTS (with a minimum of 5.5 in all skills)	6.5			
	6.5 IELTS (with minimum of 6.0 in all skills)	7.0			

Please note that these courses may be subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, see [www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional](http://www.kent.ac.uk/international-pathways/pre-sessional)

## DID YOU KNOW?

In 2018 and 2019, 100% of our students successfully progressed to their chosen degree.