Effective communication in English is the key to academic success.
English for Academic Purposes
Presessional Programme
www.birmingham.ac.uk/eisu/eap

Suitable for students with a conditional or unconditional offer at the University of Birmingham for:
- Undergraduate Programmes
- Postgraduate Programmes
- PhD students
- Study Abroad students
- Birmingham International Academy

Excellent preparation for academic study which will enable you to:
- Develop your English language skills
- Improve your academic language and skills in preparation for writing assignments
- Take part in seminars and discussions
- Listen to and understand lectures
- Develop your study skills
- Give presentations
- Use the University library resources and IT facilities

You will have an average of 19 class hours plus 12-14 independent study hours and weekly tutorials. Average class size is 14.

Requirements for Successful Completion
- the achievement of the appropriate final mark for all assessed work
- a minimum of 90% attendance, and due diligence

Our EAP programme provides you with the English language and academic skills you need to meet the demands of your future academic course.

EAP Programme Directors

4-week Academic English Skills
www.birmingham.ac.uk/presessional/4-week

24 August – 18 September 2015  Tuition fee: £1,160

Essential intensive preparation for academic study for students with an unconditional offer.
This course aims to develop:
- Language accuracy and fluency in English for academic purposes
- The ability to write academically using accurate referencing and avoiding plagiarism
- Reading skills for academic texts
- The ability to listen to lectures and discussions and take notes
- Seminar skills
- Critical thinking skills
- Presentation skills
- Study skills for your academic course
- Skills for working independently and with others
Business Management English
Presessional Programme

www.birmingham.ac.uk/eisu/bme

The BME Presessional is an intensive, motivating and intellectually challenging programme which helps you achieve academic success. Students have an average of 19 class hours, plus 14 independent study hours and 1 tutorial per week.

This programme is ideal for postgraduate students with a conditional or unconditional offer for the Birmingham Business School.

The BME Presessional Programme aims to help you to:
- Develop your English language and academic skills
- Expand your business vocabulary
- Develop your analytical and critical skills
- Practise writing academic essays
- Engage in problem-solving and decision-making using real cases
- Develop strategies for seminar discussions and presentation skills
- Listen to live lectures by Business School lecturers
- Understand the importance of research skills and accurate referencing
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Our average class size is 14; this enables BME teachers to provide students with individual attention and regular tutorials that prepare them to pass their assessments.

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BME Presessional Programme Director

2015 | Tuition fee
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20-week 27 April – 18 September* | £5,600
15-week 1 June – 18 September* | £4,200
10-week 13 July – 18 September | £2,800
6-week 10 August – 18 September | £1,680

*includes a one-week break 6 – 10 July

NB 4 May, 25 May and 31 August are public holidays

2015

Field view from the top of the building
Entry requirements for EAP/BME Presessional Programmes

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For enquiries about Pearson Test of English (Academic) equivalents contact presessional@contacts.bham.ac.uk

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Suitable for students with a conditional offer for the BFA
- Average of 21 hours contact
- Maximum class size 14
- Individual tutorials
- 14 independent study hours per week

Please refer to website for more information.

This programme will enable you to:
- Improve your level of English language to satisfy entry requirements
- Improve and develop your academic skills for BFA study
- Build your confidence in the use of language skills for academic study
- Use English grammar effectively and accurately in academic tasks
- Improve your Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing skills
- Use source material effectively in written tasks
- Develop strategies for expanding your vocabulary
- Develop time management and general study skills
- Develop social communication skills

Requirements for Successful Completion
- the achievement of the appropriate final mark for all assessed work
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Entry requirements for BFA Presessional Programme

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General information

Deadline for receipt of applications
- Four weeks before the start date of the course you wish to attend.

Accommodation
You can book self-catering accommodation on the University campus or obtain information about accommodation in the private sector through the website www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/accommodation/Apply-for-accommodation/apply.aspx

For all queries about accommodation please contact Housing Services: living@contacts.bham.ac.uk

First week of every Programme
- Full orientation programme to familiarise you with all the University’s facilities and support services including computer clusters, library, sports and welfare facilities
- Timetable and introduction to your course

Social Programme
- Day trips to places of cultural and historic interest e.g. Warwick Castle, Bath and Oxford
- Opportunity to take part in local events in the evening and weekends e.g. visit to the cinema, bowling, sports activities

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- Deposits and tuition fees are only refunded in exceptional circumstances e.g. visa refusal.
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Advice on applying for your entry clearance visa to come to the UK or extending your visa to continue your studies in the UK
All visa enquiries about applying for your visa to come to the UK, or to continue your studies, are dealt with by the International Student Advisory Services (ISAS).
If you need advice about new visas, visa renewal and visas for dependants (husbands/wives and children) of students please contact ISAS online via the website www.as.bham.ac.uk/studentlife/international/visa/index.shtml

Admissions Policy regarding length of course you may attend.
If you are eligible for the 15, 10 or 6-week course you can choose to attend the course that is up to 5-weeks longer if you wish.
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Students who attend a Presessional Course
DO NOT take IELTS at the end of the course.

Enquiries
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This brochure was written several months in advance of the start of the academic year. It is intended to provide prospective students with a general picture of the programmes and courses offered by the School. Please note that not all programmes or all courses are offered every year. Also, because our research is constantly exploring new areas and directions of study some courses may be dropped and new ones offered in their place.