

PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION

Intensive English Language Programmes (Standalone)

Pathway Type	Intensive English Language
Pathway Areas	English
Pathway/s	English
University Quercus	N/A
Code/s	
College NAVIGATE Code/s	IELA, IELB, IELC, IELD
Awarding University	N/A
Subject Benchmark	
Statements	
College Status	Associate College
College Location	College Lane Campus, Hatfield (part of University estates provision)
University Location	College Lane Campus
University Faculty	N/A
University School/s	N/A
Rationale	 The Intensive English Language programme has been set up to help international students gain a strong basis of general English skills. In particular, the programme was established to: Ensure that international students have a dedicated period of time, in a familial and safe setting, to adjust to and acquire the necessary skills to be able to communicate effectively (speaking, listening and writing) in English. Commit to the provision of best practice customer service and student experience for international students. Enhance the global reach of Navitas into previously untapped markets and market segments. Add resource, human and financial, to the Navitas' marketing process. Facilitate access to a global recruitment process. Assist in the diversification of the student body.
Educational Aims	The key focus within Intensive English programs is on general English skills, covering aspects such as: Reading and Listening • note-taking strategies for lectures and tutorials • analysis of reading text structures • techniques for speed reading, skimming and scanning
	Speaking and Writing
	Critical Thinking

Cultural and Personal Development

- Understanding cultural difference and similarity
- Teamwork and leadership
- Presenting an argument
- Discussion skills

PROGRAMME

Title	Intensive English Language D	,	Intensive English Language C (IELC)	Intensive English Language B (IELB)
Title	(IELD)	'	intensive English Language C (ILLC)	intensive English Language B (ILLB)
Credit Points	N/A			
Duration of Study	11 months		6 months	3 months
Weeks of Study	48 weeks		26 weeks	13 weeks
Mode of Study	Full-time		Full-time	Full-time
Mode of Delivery	Face to Face		Face to Face	Face to Face
Contact Hours	680		200	240
Delivery Model	Standard Delivery Model (SD	M)	Standard Delivery Model (SDM)	Standard Delivery Model (SDM)
Language of Delivery	Delivery	English		
,	Assessment	English		
	Council of Europe	Common language reference level B2 Independent User		pendent User
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Intended Learning Outcomes

This course (including all points of entry) focuses on key on beginning to gain a key understanding of the English language, assessment skills, spoken texts and written texts for general use. Each of these has distinct learning outcomes which are taught and assessed through the course.

Intensive English Language D (IELD) specific learning outcomes:

- Understanding and consolidation of elementary grammar structures
- Increased knowledge of high-frequency vocabulary
- Foundation of English sounds and pronunciation development
- Increased confidence in speaking in pairs and groups
- Understanding of listening/reading for gist and detail
- Improved reading skills, including using context to guess meaning
- Increased familiarity and confidence in using a range of texts
- Understanding of register, structure and fixed phrases regarding writing

Intensive English Language C (IELC) specific learning outcomes:

- Identify own language and learning goals
- Apply a limited range of individual learning strategies
- Apply a limited range of team learning strategies
- Operate within the socio-cultural context of the learning environment
- Meet course assessment requirements
- Undertake assessments
- Understand a short academic presentation
- Plan and deliver a short spoken presentation
- Interpret a short written factual report
- Interpret a short written exposition text
- Plan and write a short academic report

Intensive English Language B (IELB) specific learning outcomes:

- Understand the course requirements (attendance, self- study) and assessment structure
- Understand the meaning of plagiarism and collusion, and some ways in which to avoid plagiarism
- Understand how to use present and future tenses correctly in English
- Understand how to use effective note-taking symbols and abbreviations when listening to lectures
- Understand the basics of referencing and know when it is required
- Understand how to use reference words to improve cohesion in writing
- Understand how to analyse a text: type and structure
- Understand the basics of planning and giving a presentation
- Understand and demonstrate how to use compare and contrast language appropriately
- Demonstrate ability to take part in a discussion
- Demonstrate ability to deliver a presentation to an audience
- Understand the basics of critical reading
- Understand the basic requirements of planning and writing a research report
- Understand the difference between fact and opinion

Understand and demonstrate how to draft and execute a basic questionnaire Understand and demonstrate how to draft methodology, results and discussion sections of a research Understand how to draft an introduction to a research report Demonstrate the ability to self and peer edit sections of a research report Understand basic debating techniques Demonstrate the ability to write an effective introduction and conclusion Demonstrate the ability to write accurate references and bibliography Assessment Summary: The programme is compliant with both the generic assessment regulations of Navitas UK and those of the College, Regulations see CPR OS9. In-course written, reading, listening and oral assessments are built into all levels of pre-sessional English through general interaction between tutors and students, student peer review and small group tutorials or individual tutorials/appraisals. Modes of assessment include essay/report writing, oral presentation (group or individual, and poster), portfolio, and e-based, in-class or take home exercises/tests. All written assessments must follow certain criteria in style and submission as noted in the relevant Module Content Guides and Student Guide. This form of assessment is considered fundamental to a student's ability to communicate ideas and evidence with clarity, relevance and logic in a planned and organised manner. Plain writing style, syntax and grammar are core skills that can be enhanced to support the maturing of individual students' composition and thus academic and transferable proficiency. Oral presentations, whether part of formal or informal assessment practice, are encouraged within all modules as they promote, among others, transferable skills and can identify those students who may be plagiarising material. Final summative examination normally adheres to closed-book, invigilated, timed conditions and takes place during allocated exam periods of a programme. It represents a more abstract measure of a student's achievement as a consequence of the Specific LOs associated within a specific course. It is utilised as a key measure of quality in teaching standards and provides a basis to aspects of delivery and environment which takes place at the conclusion of a semester by College academic services, see CPR QS9. Marks indicated within the course cannot be referred. Only in extenuating circumstances, sickness, personal tragedy or in the possibility of a clerical error, will deferral take place, see CPR QS9. Formal assessment modalities (coursework and examination, respectively), combine to produce the weightings applied to any given level of study. Successful completion of a specific level is based on attaining the required overall pass grade prescribed. All assessment items in the Intensive English Language (IEL) course are marked using specially created marking guides. Marking is based on the language, structural and style elements needed to successfully achieve the assessment. These marking guides are given to the student when the assignment is returned. For each of the genre (weekly) essays and the research report, students must hand in a draft assignment which is then discussed (conferenced) with the teacher before submission of the final draft the following day. Where a student has a special need or disability, appropriate steps must be taken by the College, academic staff and/or internal/external invigilators to ensure that the need is recognised and a justified outcome identified, see CPR QS9. IEL teachers are required to undertake moderation sessions. Moderation is the process where both the validity Moderation (testing what we say we are testing) and reliability (ensuring students of similar skill level are receiving the same mark) of marking are checked by discussing and agreeing on how student samples meet or do not meet performance criteria. Where there is total agreement, these examples become standard benchmarks to be used by teachers. Moderation is a continual process of checking and evaluation. Summary: All entrants are assessed at the final point of the course, in this case at the end of Intensive English Progression Criteria Language B (IELB). There are assessments held at the end of each level point, Intensive English Language D (IELD), and Intensive English Language C (IELC). However, these do not form the overall pass / fail grade of the course (this only occurs in Intensive English Language B (IELB). There is no progression to the University Partner; the course goes from IELD, IELC and IELB. The overall minimum pass mark is 50% averaged across all assessments. Failure to Progress Summary: a student may not fail a course on more than two (2) occasion, failure of the course once requires that a student re-take the entire course at full cost; failure of a student to complete a course on the re-take of that module will result in referral to the College Learning and Teaching Board for a student management decision. Associated teaching aids for a module as required

Associated	Associated Student Handbook				
Documentation	College Policies and Regulations (CPRs)				
Human Resource	Sessional academics (tutors) – with appropriate qualifications, experience and abilities. Guest speakers – relevant industries as requested by the College.				
Built Environment	All lectures/classes/labs and small group tutorials are held in the designated HIC class rooms, seminar rooms and dedicated IT laboratories; students are encouraged to use HIC's Moodle platform for online resources, facilities for self-directed study; students are encouraged to use their private IT facilities where possible; field-trips will be taken as required.				
E-learning	College Portal; College Moodle; Library.				
Library	College Lane Campus				
Programme Framework	Intensive English Language B (IELB) – 12 weeks overall Increases initial IELTS score by 1.0 points upon completion Students are deemed to have passed if they pass with an average of 50%				
	overall				
	Intensive English Language C (IELC) – 26 weeks overall (inclusive of IELB)				
	Increases initial IELTS score by 1.5 points upon completion				
	Students then progress to IELC at the end of the initial 10 week period				
	Intensive English Language D (IELD) – 48 weeks overall (inclusive of IELB and IELC)				
	Increases initial IELTS score by 2.0 points upon completion				
	Students then progress to IELC at the end of the initial 12 week period				
	Students are eligible to enter the programme in either IELD, IELC or IELB.				
Management	The Intensive English Language (standalone) programme/s are delivered by HIC on the College Lane campus of University of Hertfordshire. This scenario seeks to provide the necessary resources to ensure that all students enrolled with HIC are afforded an educational experience that provides assimilation into campus and student life				
The programme operates under and according to the general compliance structures determined Academic Registry. The Registry has oversight of all Navitas programmes operating in UPE. An programme must be submitted via the normal Navitas UPE processes through the Academic Registry.					
	The general operational management of the programme lies with HIC's academic services which assumes overall responsibility for the administrative and implementation functions. The HIC Head of Teaching and Learning or nominee is responsible for the day-to-day management of the programme inclusive of attendance monitoring.				
	The various sessional academic module leaders/lecturers/tutors are responsible for the delivery and initial assessment of modules whilst appraisal of delivery and programme content is advised by the HIC Head of Teaching and Learning or nominee in consultation with the Navitas UPE Academic Registry.				
Monitoring and Review	Formal review of the Intensive English Language programmes (standalone), takes place as an annual review in March/April between HIC and Navitas UPE Academic Registry. Progression from IELD towards IELB is determined via the HIC Board of Examiners. For details of this review and quality management of this and all HIC programmes, see, CPR QS9.				

Entry Requirements	Intensive English Language D (IELD)	Intensive English Language C (IELC)	Intensive English Language B
	Our entry requirements vary	Our entry requirements vary	(IELB)
	depending on your previous level of	depending on your previous level of	Our entry requirements vary
	study and the academic programme	study and the academic programme	depending on your previous level
	you wish to progress on to at HIC.	you wish to progress on to at HIC.	of study and the academic
	The absolute minimum entry	The absolute minimum entry	programme you wish to progress
	requirement is usually an UKVI IELTS	requirement is usually an UKVI IELTS	on to at HIC. The absolute
	3.5 (with no band lower than 3.0) or	4.0 (with no band lower than 4.0).	minimum entry requirement is
	equivalent.		usually an UKVI IELTS 4.5 (with no
			band lower than 4.5).
Appendix 1	Intensive English Language D (IELD) – Programme Overview and Course Structure		
Appendix 2	Intensive English Language C (IELC) – Programme Overview and Course Structure		
Appendix 3	Intensive English Language B (IELB) –	Programme Overview and Course Struct	ure

Week	Focus	Assessment/Practice
1	Introduction to Course and class members	Revision Test 1
	Getting to know HIC	
	 Pronouns – I, You etc 	
	 Verb be (positive/negative/questions) 	
	 Possessive adjectives my, your etc 	
	• a/an/the – plurals	
	This/that/these/those	
	Present simple (positive/negative/questions)	
	• Possessives	
2	Adjectives (plus <i>quite/very</i>)	Writing Test 1
	Telling the time and routine	
	 Adverbs of frequency and prepositions of time 	
	• Can/Can't	
	• Like (verb + ing)	
	 Object pronouns (me, you, him etc) 	
	Possessive pronouns (<i>mine</i> , <i>yours</i> , <i>his</i>)	
3	Past simple of be (was, were)	Revision Test 2
	Past simple regular and irregular verbs	
	Past time expressions	
	Go, have, get verb formations	
	There is/there are	
	There was/there were	
	Present continuous (Compared with present simple)	
4	How much/how many plus quantifiers	Writing Test 2
	Planning and predicting (going to)	
	Comparative and superlative adjectives	
	Adverbs	
	Would like to/like	
5	Revision Week (of all items in weeks 1 to 4)	Mid Term Exams (all skills reading, writing, listening and speaking)
6	Common verb phrases	
	Defining relative clauses (a person who, a thing which)	
	 Expressions for paraphrasing (for example, like) 	
	Past simple (regular and irregular) and Past continuous	
	 Prepositions of time and place (at, on, in) 	
	• Conjunctions (so, because, but etc)	
7	Future arrangements (going to, present continuous)	Revision Test 3
	 Predictions (will/won't) 	
	Promise, offers, decisions (will/won't)	
	Review of present, past, future	
8	Present perfect (plus ever/never)	Writing Test 3
-	Present perfect v past simple	
	Time expressions	
	Comparatives (asas/lessthan)	
	• Superlatives (+ ever + present perfect)	
	 Opposites 	
9	Verb + infinitive	Revision Test 4
,	• Verb + ing	Trevision rest 4
	 Verb + mg Have to/don't have to, must/mustn't 	
	Expressions of movement	
	Expressions of movement First conditional	
	Second conditional	
	May/might and should/shouldn't	
	- may, might and should, shouldn't	

10	 Present perfect + for/since Present perfect v past simple Used to Passive 	Writing Test 4
11	 Something, anything, nothing etc Quantifiers too, not enough etc Phrasal verbs So/neither + auxiliaries Past perfect 	
12	Revision Week (of all course contents)	End of Term Exams (all skills reading, writing, listening and speaking)

<u>Assessments</u>

Revision Grammar Tests (4): 20%
 Revision Writing Tests (4): 20%

Mid Term Exams (4): 20% (reading, writing, listening and speaking)
 End of Term Exams (4): 40% (reading, writing, listening and speaking)

Week	Topic	Focus	Assessment/Practice
1	Introduction to Course Food	Verb tenses Present simple and continuous	 In-class and homework writing practice Presentation In-class grammar test
2	Sport and family	Past tenses and future tenses	 Homework – workbook exercises Presentation In-class grammar test
3	Money Changing your life Transport and travel	Present perfect simple and continuous and Comparative forms Writing paragraphs	 Homework – workbook exercises Presentation In-class grammar test
4	Essay structure Comparing and Contrasting	Essay structure Writing Intros and Conclusions Comparative forms Modal verbs	Assessment 1: Comparative Essay. In class assessment. Day TBC
5	Exam practice Modern manners Judging by appearances If at first you don't succeed	Listening Skills Reading Skills Modal verbs	 Homework – workbook exercises In-class grammar test
6	Exam practice If at first you don't succeed Back to school	Modal verbs Usually and used to	Mid-Term Exams. In class assessment.
7	Work/life balance Gender differences Work	Quantifiers Articles Gerund/infinitive use	 Homework – workbook exercises In-class grammar test Practice Speaking Exam
8	Essay structure Cinema What people do	Essay structure Passive Relative clauses	 Assessment 2: Speaking Exam Homework – workbook exercises In-class grammar test
9	Debating Essay structure Looking at opinions	Essay structure Writing Intros and Conclusions	Assessment 3: Argument Essay. Inclass assessment.
10	Exam Practice and Course Review	Grammar Revision Listening skills Phrasal verbs	Revision
11	Final Exams		Final Exams. Listening/ Reading/ Writing

<u>Assessments</u>

		
1.	Presentation	15%
2.	Reading Exam	10%
3.	Writing Exam	10%
4.	Listening Exam	10%
5.	Discussion essay	20%
6.	Weekly Essays	20%
7.	Comparative Essays	15%

Appendix 3

Week	Topic	Focus	Assignment
1	Introduction to Course	Grammar Review	Study Needs Analysis - Assessed
	Academic English	Verb tenses	Grammar & spelling test (in class)
	Using the LRC	Vocab building	Group Presentations
	Research Skills	Pronunciation	
	Speaking & Presenting		
2	Historical recounts	Past tenses	Recount Essay (400 words)
2	Essay organisation	Using TurnItInUK	Submit on TurnItInUK
	Paraphrasing Skills	Research and Referencing	Deadline: Sunday 19 June 10am
	Harvard Referencing	Research and Referencing	Deadine. Sunday 19 June 10am
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3	Descriptions	Relative Clauses	Comparative Essay (400 words)
3	Paragraph building & organisation	Comparatives	Submit on TurnItInUK
	i aragraph bullullig & organisation	Linking words	Deadline: Sunday 26 June 10am
		Introductions & conclusions	Deadine. Sunday 20 June 10am
		The oductions & conclusions	
4	Cause and Effect	Cause & reason	Cause & Effect Essay (300 words)
		Purpose & result	Timed (in-class) essay
			Friday 1 July (open-book)
5	Discussion Essay	Relative Clauses	Discussion Essay (400 words)
	Class debate	Linking Devices	Timed (in-class) essay
		Group Presentation	Friday 8 July (closed-book)
6	Revision of Language Skills and Exam Practice	various	MID-TERM EXAM
	Reading, Writing, Listening		Friday 15 July (Reading, Writing & Listening
			Papers)
	Presentation Practice		Mid-term Study Needs Analysis - Assessed
7	Presentation practice and pronunciation skills	Speaking Skills	SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS
	practice	, ,	10 MINS + 5 MINS Q & A Presentation
	Exam Practice	Individual Tutorials with teachers	Reflective Essay Assessed
			Neneetive Essay / Issessed
8	Process Descriptions	Passive forms	Process Essay (300 words)
O	1 Tocess Descriptions	Linking phrases	Timed (in-class) essay
		Linking pili ases	Friday 29 July (closed-book)
			Triday 25 July (closed book)
9	Graphs and Charts	Analysis &	Graph Description (200words)
J	Numbers and Percentages	Contrast	Timed (in-class) essay
	Numbers and Percentages	Contrast	
			Friday 5 August (closed-book)
10			Research topic – background reading and
	Research Reports	Articles (review)	synthesising of previous research, writing introduction.
	Questionnaire	Tense review	
	Data Collection		
	Introduction		
11	Methodology	Graph descriptions	Finalise methodology and start results.
	Results analysis	Grammar review	Finalise graphs
	ĺ	Conditionals	
		Modal Verbs	
12	Discussion Section Draft Research Report	Grammar Revision	Complete discussion analysis.

	Finalise research report. Exam Practice and Course Review	Listening Skills	Revise referencing. Research Report (approximately 2,000 words) Deadline: Tuesday 23 August before 5pm Final Study Needs Analysis - Assessed
13			Final Exam - Reading, Writing and Listening

<u>Assessments</u>

Weekly essays and timed writing (6)	20%
Seminar Presentation (spoken- 10-15 minutes)	20%
Research Report (1200 + words)	20%
Mid-term and Final Exams (3 papers x 2)	30%
Personal Development Portfolio and Participation	10%