



ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT & TESTING

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UNDERGRADUATE UNIVERSITY ENGLISH PREPARATION COURSES

The transition from matric to university is sometimes daunting, as everything is unfamiliar and you are not sure what to expect. It is so important then that you are equipped with the tools and knowledge to succeed.

We offer academic English language courses which are geared towards providing knowledge and functionality in an English-medium tertiary environment. These courses are aimed at those students whose first language is not English and who would like to fast-track their proficiency in academic reading, writing, listening and speaking. We have worked with many university and college departments and are therefore able to customise our courses to suit individuals' specific needs.

We offer the following undergraduate university English preparation courses:

ENGLISH FOR UNIVERSITY SUCCESS - PART 1

The first module of the English for University Success course is designed to prepare learners to succeed in a tertiary context by participating in academic activities that foster learning English for academic purposes.

Highlights of the course include:

- Introduction to the tertiary experience
- Participating in group discussions
- Understanding lectures
- Note-taking
- Expressing ideas
- Using resources
- Connecting lectures to texts
- Helpful study tips

Assessment will be ongoing and includes the submission of a portfolio of work consisting of various types of writing which reflect the student's strengths and developments in this area. The final assessment gauges achievement in listening, speaking and grammar. In order to obtain a Certificate of Competence, learners must achieve an overall average of 60%.

The course length is 377 notional study hours, with a total of 40 teaching hours. The content of this course is aligned with NQF 5. Learners will be pre-assessed or complete prerequisite coursework in order to determine their English readiness to take the course.

2016 COURSE DATES

Intake 1	25 January - 06 April
Intake 2	18 April - 22 June
Intake 3	15 August - 19 October
Intake 4	26 October - 25 November

COURSE FEE

R4 500

COURSE TIMES

Intakes 1 - 3: Mondays and Wednesdays, 16h00 - 18h00

Intake 4: Mondays and Wednesdays, 16h00 - 18h30

ENGLISH FOR UNIVERSITY SUCCESS - PART 2

The second module of the course builds on the foundation of knowledge gained in the first module. It is designed to prepare learners to succeed in tertiary contexts with a focus on advanced reading and writing skills and on using higher order cognitive skills to analyse, evaluate and synthesise information.

Highlights of the course include:

- Reading extended texts
- Avoiding plagiarism
- Editing one's own work
- The structure of research papers
- Skimming and scanning texts for relevant information
- Writing with a purpose, such as summary, opinion, exposition and persuasion
- Advanced grammar points such as prepositions, articles, concord and clauses
- Developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Research using online resources
- Test-taking techniques

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