



Preparation Programme for International Students in the Faculty of Health

Do you want to:

- learn more about health care in the UK?
- develop your professional health vocabulary?
- develop your academic skills?
- gain confidence, fluency and accuracy with your English communication skills?
- work on your English grammar?
- make friends with students before your course starts?

Then sign up for the **Preparation Programme for International Students in the Faculty of Health.**

7 July – 29 August 2014



The Preparation Programme is a full-time, 8-week summer course to help students prepare for their health-related studies at Birmingham City University.

The Preparation Programme is run by our 'Personal Development Department', which will provide study skills workshops, numeracy classes, careers advice and on-going support throughout your studies at the University.

Entry requirements

To take part in the course, you will need at least:

- IELTS 6.0, with at least 6.0 in the writing and speaking modules.

(Candidates with other qualifications or language tests will be considered on an individual basis.)

Course structure

Classes run 09.30 – 17.00, Monday to Friday

English and Academic Skills (EAS) with Health-Related Topics

Students will learn about academic writing skills, perform academic reading and writing tasks, hold discussions and prepare presentations on health topics. There will be sessions to explore critical reading, critical thinking and seminar skills.

Students will also attend talks and presentations given by health professionals and academics.

English Language Development (ELD)

These classes will focus on grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation.

They will give students an opportunity to discuss a range of topics, learn about British life and culture and get to know their classmates.

Assessment

At the end of the Preparation Programme, students will be assessed in both Academic Writing and Presentation Skills.

Students will be expected to attend all sessions and need to attend 80 per cent of classes in order to receive a certificate of attendance. Successful completion of the Preparation Programme will enable students with IELTS 6.0 to enrol on courses at the Faculty of Health that require IELTS 6.5.





Course fee

The course costs £1,200, excluding accommodation

This includes all classes, photocopied materials, and a course book for English language work.

A bursary of £500 may be available to students moving on from this programme to further study. For more information, please email **louise.toner@bcu.ac.uk**.

Enquiries

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www.bcu.ac.uk

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Applications

If you would like to take part in the Preparation Programme, please include the course title **“Preparation Programme”** alongside the title of your main course of study in the relevant section of your Birmingham City University application form. You can obtain further information and an application form at the following website:

www.bcu.ac.uk/international/how-to-apply

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