UTASAccess-English is a course for students who are focused on improving their English language skills and who want to achieve a higher level of English for better work and career opportunities, global communication, social or travel reasons.

**Entry Requirements**

*Level 1 is taught at the Pre-Intermediate standard. Students with scores of TOEFL iBT 26-30 or PTE 25-28 may be considered depending on performance achieved in individual skill areas.*

**Level 7 entry is available for students studying UTASAccess-English courses only and does not apply to students in UTASAccess-Direct Entry courses.*

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**How long do I need to study English?**

This will depend on your reason for wanting to develop English language skills. Someone learning English for better work and career opportunities may need a higher level of English skills than someone who wants to learn enough English to travel and communicate.

**I am not sure what sort of visa I need. Where can I find more information?**

Students can study for a period of 15 weeks on a Working Holiday visa and for a period of 10 weeks if on a Visitor visa. Those on a Student visa may enrol for up to 40 weeks. You can find more information on visas and how you can study in Australia at the website [www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au)
How many levels of English can I study at UTAS?
There are 7 levels of English from pre-intermediate level to advanced. Each level is 5 weeks long.

How do I know what level I will study?
If you have an IELTS, TOEFL iBT, or Pearson test score you will be placed in a level according to the entry requirements table.

Can I study English if I do not have an IELTS, TOEFLiBT, or Pearson score?
All applications for English courses now require evidence of English level in order to receive an offer of enrolment. If, however, there are unusual circumstances, such as someone already in Australia and wanting to apply, our placement test is available and you will be put in a level according to the results.

How do I progress to a higher level?
There are assessments at the end of every 5 week period. A pass mark of 60% or more (with no score below 50%) is required to progress to the next level.

Will UTASAccess-English help me with my job?
Many students come to UTAS to improve their English so that they can perform better in their jobs - especially if they are working in a global environment and often need to use English. Others want to improve their English skills to achieve higher paid employment.

How will I be taught?
You will have 20 hours per week face-to-face tuition with a teacher in a learning environment that aims to provide challenging and enjoyable activities. Students can always get guidance and assistance from our friendly teachers who are experienced in current English language teaching methods. Both in and outside of class students will have access to the University’s online learning system where they can participate in a wide range of learning activities.

Will UTASAccess-English help me prepare for IELTS?
Yes. While UTASAccess-English is not an IELTS preparation course it does help students prepare for the IELTS test. Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking skills are the focus in class and much of the content covered reflects IELTS tasks and aims. The English Language Centre operates IELTS test centres on the Hobart and Launceston campuses and our teachers are familiar with test requirements.

Can groups study UTASAccess-English?
Yes. We have a dedicated office to look after Study Tours and Group Programs. These can be organised with a range of options, from English study only to English plus career and/or professional training, activities and accommodation. For group enquiries contact: ELC.StudyTours@utas.edu.au

How many students will be in my UTASAccess-English class?
Classes are small to allow for individual attention. The average class size is 14 students with the maximum set at 18.