

Course description

Preparation for University Studies in English

Course objectives

This course prepares advanced-level lycée students for higher-education in English:

- in an English-speaking country like the UK, Ireland or the USA.
- in France or other countries where classes are taught in English
- as part of an exchange programme such as Erasmus+

Course Content

Students practise the following skills during the course:

- reading academic texts and listening to lectures
- participating in academic seminars
- writing academic essays and reports
- giving academic presentations

We offer guidance on:

- researching and choosing universities
- application procedures in different countries
- writing personal statements
- the IELTS language test (often required by universities)

Approach to learning

Our University Preparation courses make use of authentic university-level resources to challenge and inspire students in a safe and inclusive learning environment. The study of literature fosters critical thinking, and debating and public-speaking competitions offer opportunities to develop learners' rhetorical skills. Our innovative use of MOOCs offers an authentic glimpse into university life, while our range of guest speakers broadens learners' perspectives on the modern world.

As in all our courses, the British Council core skills of digital literacy, communication and collaboration, creativity and imagination, personal development, citizenship and critical thinking remain central to the University Preparation programme.