

Certificate in English – Higher Advanced

Course Synopsis

The Certificate in English – Higher Advanced is a 3 months full-time course focusing on strengthening the English Language ability of a student. It is the fourth of four levels of English. This course is anchored on a holistic approach in developing the higher-advanced level curriculum. The lessons are presented in spiral progression to achieve proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, writing, and viewing. Apart from this, students are expected to demonstrate their oral presentation skills. This level is equivalent to an IELTS 6.5.

Lessons will focus on the development of communication skills in an environment in which students can feel comfortable and confident to use and improve their spoken English. They are used as part of the blended learning curriculum. Students will be encouraged to participate in debates, discussion, script-writing, games, simulation, and role-playing as speaking activities. Face-to-face contact lecturing, blended learning, and self-study activities will provide a suitable pathway for students' to develop and apply the English language.

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Module Overview

Modules	Description
Listening Module	This module develops students' listening skills to enable them to listen for specific information, make and confirm predictions, listen for reasons and make and explain inferences;
Speaking Module	This module allows students to communicate effectively in English; students learn pronunciation, stress and intonation, develop the ability to articulate sentences and hold a conversation, practice speaking for real life scenarios; they will develop general, social and professional use of spoken English; students will develop stronger confidence and ability to deliver presentations;
Reading Module	This module supports students' reading skills allowing them to skim and detect the main idea of a passage, scan text for specific information, make inferences, paraphrase, and summarise;
Writing Module	This module enhances students' writing skills enabling them to write essays particular to the level of English they are studying; students should be able to plan essays, write with good pace, detect mistakes and make corrections accordingly;
Grammar Module	Through this module, students receive, learn and understand the fundamentals of English grammar; apply and strengthen these skills throughout their academic work;
Vocabulary Module	Carrying out this module, students will identify word forms, synonyms, words from context and expressions; they are able to expand vocabulary and to remember and use words that have been practiced;
Course Outcome	Overall, students are to develop their general ability of the English Language providing them a pathway to use this for future academic and professional goals.