TAFE International Western Australia offers a wide range of English courses to provide a pathway into TAFE and Higher Education courses.
TIWA is the Registered Training Organisation (RTO 52395) and CRICOS Provider (00020G) for the delivery of English language courses to international students in Western Australia. The English language courses are delivered at the Perth campus of North Metropolitan TAFE (RTO 52786) which is located in the centre of the cultural area of Northbridge, and is close to the City of Perth and the central transport network. This is where you will find the Art Gallery of WA, the State Theatre Centre, the State Library and the new WA Museum due to open in 2020.

The ELICOS program at North Metropolitan TAFE is delivered in partnership with Navitas English (CRICOS Provider 00289M; RTO 0927) in modern buildings that have been specifically designed for education and training.

Facilities at the Perth campus include:

- Modern, well equipped teaching and learning spaces
- Wireless internet access and fully equipped computer labs
- Library and independent learning centre with computers, international and local newspapers and journals, and thousands of relevant books, videos, CDs, DVDs specifically designed for English language learners
- Bookshop
- Gymnasium
- Café and ATM facilities
- International student kitchen, garden courtyard and outdoor eating areas
- Prayer room
- Art Gallery
- Massage + Beauty Therapy Clinic
# English courses and further study

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- General English
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## IELTS Equivalent

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## Contact details

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Our innovative and dynamic General English (GE) programs deliver exceptional results, by developing real-world English skills through an intensive progression pathway.

**Why this English course is the best choice for you:**

- Starts any Monday
- Learn with professional teachers in small, intensive classes
- Learn the language you need to interact effectively with people outside of school
- Prepare for special courses such as IELTS and EAP

**General English fact file**

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**Additional details**

| **Assessments** | Tests in Reading, Writing, Speaking & Listening in Weeks 5 and 10 of each term |
| **Timetable** | 8.30am – 2.40pm |
| **Duration** | 10 – 40 weeks |
| **Certification** | TIWA will issue Certificates upon successful completion of your course |
| **Hours per week** | 20 (4 hours of lessons per day, Monday to Friday) |
| **Entry level** | Your level will be determined by a placement test |
| **Minimum age** | 16 years |
| **Resource Fee** | $180 AUD once off fee paid upon arrival at the college. |
| **Cost** | $300 AUD per week |
| **Start dates** | Start any Monday |
ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES
(CRICOS Code: 013025F)

When you study at an Australian university or college, you need to speak and write English with confidence so you can communicate effectively. The English for Academic Purposes (EAP) courses are unique because they enable you to enrol in a wide range of vocational education programs at TAFE Western Australia, or degree programs in leading universities and institutions around Australia. Each course includes academic study skills modules to help you achieve the best possible result in your studies.

Why is this English course the best choice for you:

> Can give you direct entry into courses offered at TAFE WA from EAP 4 without the need to take an international English test like IELTS, PTE-A or TOEFL.

> The curriculum includes study skills such as critical thinking, research techniques, exam skills and academic report writing.

Course content:

**Academic study and assessment skills**
> Planning and delivery of an academic seminar
> Interacting with others in academic discussions

**Academic writing skills**
> Planning and writing academic essays
> Conducting and writing an academic research report
> Sentence types and clause grammar
> Paraphrasing and academic style

**Academic reading skills**
> Skimming and scanning texts for key information
> Expanding vocabulary

**Course assessment**
You will be assessed by a combination of:
> Reports
> Academic essays
> Seminar presentations
> Case studies and literature surveys (EAP 5)
> Examinations (Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking)

When I first started at TAFE WA, I studied English for two months before my Certificate course. I had previously studied English in England and I thought that it was going to be easy for me. However once I started the course at TAFE WA I realised that the methodology was different, the topics were new and the teacher’s accent was different to what I had heard before. At the beginning I was very concerned there were things that I was not able to understand, but after a few weeks, I got used to my teacher and my classmates, and I became more confident in English.

Adriana Gonzalez Herrera  |  Colombia  |  North Metropolitan TAFE
English for Academic Purposes
### English for Academic Purposes (cont.)

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The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is accepted for entry into higher education and professional bodies, and to apply for an Australian visa. IELTS tests speaking, listening, reading and writing skills and provides scores from band 1 (non-user) to band 9 (expert user). These scores are combined to provide an overall band score. TIWA requires students to have an IELTS score of 5.5 for entry into their certificate and diploma programs and Australian universities and higher education institutions may require students to have an overall band score of 6.0 and 7.5 to be eligible for entry into degree programs.

**Why is this English course the best choice for you:**

- Starts any Monday
- Learn with professional teachers in small, intensive classes
- Learn what IELTS consists of and take practice tests under exam conditions to get a feel for what it is like to take the real test.
- Get feedback from your teacher so you can develop weak areas and build on your strengths.
- Results from the IELTS test is accepted for entry into TAFE WA courses when you apply at TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA).

### IELTS Plus fact file

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### Additional details

- **Assessments**
  - Examinations (Weeks 5 and 10)
  - Seminar*
  - Research essay*
- **Timetable**
  - 8.30am – 2.40pm
- **Duration**
  - 10 – 20 weeks
- **Certification**
  - TIWA will issue Certificates upon successful completion of your course
- **Hours per week**
  - 20 (4 hours of lessons per day, Monday to Friday)
- **Entry level**
  - IELTS 5.0 or equivalent (upper Intermediate)
- **Minimum age**
  - 16 years
- **Resource Fee**
  - $180 AUD once off fee paid upon arrival at the college.
- **Cost**
  - $300 AUD per week
- **Start dates**
  - Any Monday, with preferred start dates in Week 1 or 6 of each term: 20 January, 24 February, 30 March, 4 May, 8 June, 13 July, 17 August, 21 September, 26 October, 30 November

*For students on TAFE pathways only in Terms 2, 4 & 5.
The English language teachers at North Metropolitan TAFE are friendly, highly qualified and experienced. They have excellent language teaching skill and are experts in a variety of skill areas such as pronunciation, grammar, research, listening and note taking. A combination of modern teaching methods are used to support the students in their learning. The teachers access practical and authentic materials and practice a learner-centred approach.

The teaching programs can be adjusted to suit the needs of the individual students in the class and will ensure that all students progress during their studies. The classes at the International English Language Centre are compliant with Australian government ELICOS standards and meet the Australian NEAS requirements for quality procedures.

The ELICOS centre has the following accreditation and memberships:

Accredited by NEAS Australia for the provision of the highest quality English language teaching programs.

English Australia (EA) membership: the peak professional body for all accredited English language (ELICOS) centres in Australia.

Matthew Corpuz  | Philippines  | North Metropolitan TAFE
English for Academic Purposes

Timetable

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"I chose to study English at TAFE WA because it is one of the best education providers for international students. My course has helped me to improve my grammar, pronunciation and my social skills. I love the Boomerang activities as you can get to meet new people and learn from them. I would like to share the awesomeness of my teacher who is lovely and terrific and gives us the best experience in our English course. I feel more confident as the English course is my starting point and it has helped me to adjust to a new environment.

Matthew Corpuz  | Philippines  | North Metropolitan TAFE
English for Academic Purposes"
Why study outside the class is important

Study outside the classroom is an essential part of language learning and prepares students to succeed in future studies at TAFE WA. Students are expected to do homework every day in their own time in order to:

- improve their understanding of the English language;
- develop their communication skills;
- prepare for assignments and examinations; and
- develop responsibility for their own progress in learning English.

Extra help from teachers

It is important to provide students with opportunities to get help from teachers outside of class time. An extra four hours of tutorial time is scheduled every week with teachers so that students can:

- ask for help with homework;
- practice listening and conversation skills in a range of fun activities;
- get help with assignments (this is very important for students in English for Academic Purposes courses); and
- practice taking reading, writing, and listening tests (this is very important for students in IELTS Plus courses).

Clarity online self-study suite

Whilst on campus, students studying ELICOS will have access to a range of online self-study activities from Clarity English. The suite of activities includes:

- active reading
- clear pronunciation 1 (Sounds)
- clear pronunciation 2 (Speech)
- practical writing
- road to IELTS V2 (Academic Module)
- study skills success V9
- study skills success V11
- tense buster

Library

The Perth campus has an excellent library where students can access a wide range of self-study materials to help with their study. Resources such as reading books specially designed for students learning English, vocabulary and grammar exercise books, newspapers, magazines and IELTS practice tests are available to use.
The social activities program at North Metropolitan TAFE is called 'Boomerang', and through this program you can participate in cultural, sporting and social activities with students from all over the world. Whether it's a BBQ in Kings Park or a trip to Rottnest Island, you will have unforgettable memories to take home with you. These activities are a wonderful way to make friends, practise English and have lots of fun!

### Social activities

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### Sport and physical activities

### Sightseeing

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### Cultural

### Support services

#### Counselling

North Metropolitan TAFE has two International Student Counsellors that can provide support for personal issues, academic studies, emergency situations, and any advice you may need about your social environment, time management, studies and finances. Talking to our Counsellors can help you gain clarity on a particular issue and they can help you explore options more clearly, especially for cultural issues and settling into a new environment.

#### Airport reception

Airport pickup can be arranged at a cost of $130 AUD one way. Students will be taken directly to their homestay family or temporary accommodation. Please contact AHN: homestaynetwork.org to organise this service.

A taxi from the airport to central Perth costs approximately $50. An airport bus costs approximately $20, and can drop passengers at central city hotels.

Please note: Airport pick up is compulsory for students under 18.
Accommodation during your studies

There are a variety of accommodation options available to international students studying in Western Australia including:

- temporary accommodation
- rental accommodation
- campus living
- homestay

Be sure to arrive well before your course commences to secure good accommodation. Please refer to the dates on your student visa and Letter of Offer to help you plan your flight details to arrive in Western Australia with plenty of time to settle in.

**Temporary accommodation**

There is also a range of temporary accommodation on offer in Perth, which you can search for on the internet and book online.

There are hostels and guest houses that range form $30 per night for a shared room and $60 per night for a private room.

**Rental accommodation**

Many students choose to share a rental house or apartment with other students as this reduces the cost of living. The average rental price for a furnished room in share accommodation is around $160 per week but can range from $70 - $250 per week. This cost does not usually include electricity, water or gas.

Some useful websites to search for rental accommodation are:

- realestate.com.au
- reiwa.com.au
- domain.com.au
- flatmates.com.au

Perth has brand new student accommodation available in the heart of the City, which provides a great opportunity to meet other students. Please check the Campus Perth website - campusperth.com or the Student Housing Company website - thestudenthousingcompany.com.au/locations/perth/the-boulevarde for more information.

The International Student Centre at North Metropolitan TAFE may be able to provide assistance in identifying suitable accommodation in one of the local suburbs.

**Accommodation checklist**

- Make sure you have read and understood the terms and conditions of any tenancy agreement before you sign.
- If you pay a security deposit, make sure you obtain a receipt.
Accommodation during your studies (cont.)

Campus living
Accommodation is available to TAFE International students at several different locations including:

- **Edith Cowan University (ECU) Village, Mt Lawley** - rooms start from $201 per week
- **Murdoch University Village, Murdoch** - rooms start from $172.50 per week

*Please note:* this accommodation is only available to students over 18 years of age.

For more information please visit our website [tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/accommodation](http://tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/accommodation)

Homestay
Homestay allows students to live with an Australian family. This is a very popular option for international students as you can make Australian friends, embrace the Australian lifestyle and improve your English. Homestay costs vary between $180-$325 per week, depending on your age and the package you choose. TIWA currently uses Australian Homestay Network (AHN) who will arrange your accommodation. They have a range of options to suit different needs and budgets. A placement fee of $290 is required to be paid to AHN before the placement is finalised.

Homestay bookings must be made at least two weeks in advance. Late bookings will incur additional fees.

Some Homestay options that are available include:

- **Complete homestay** - $325 per week, for a private room and $295 per week for a shared room, which includes 3 meals per day
- **Traditional homestay** - $290 per week, for a private room and $260 per week for a shared room, which includes 2 meals per day.

These fees include internet access, laundry facilities and utilities such as power, water and gas. For more information about other Homestay packages and to make a booking, please visit the Australian Homestay Network (AHN) website at [homestaynetwork.org](http://homestaynetwork.org)

Under-age students
You can apply to study at TAFE WA in the calendar year you turn 18. If you are under 18 years of age, AHN will identify an appropriate homestay family and notify TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA) as they need to issue the Welfare Letter. This letter needs to be included when you apply for your student visa.

If your family has friends or relatives living in Perth, they will need to contact AHN to become a host as they will need to visit their home to ensure it is suitable for under-age students. All adults living in the home will be required to provide AHN with a Working with Children check and National Police Criminal screening documentation. These arrangements will be registered with AHN and fees will apply.

Please refer to the AHN website for more information - [homestaynetwork.org/hosting/overview](http://homestaynetwork.org/hosting/overview)

*(These costings are correct at the date of print, and may be subject to change)*
Budgeting

Students should arrive in Perth with at least $1,000 and have access to another $2,000 during their first few weeks for expenses associated with organising housing. Funds may be needed to pay bond on rental accommodation or for other services.

**Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)**

All international students studying in Australia are required to pay Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the entire duration of their student visa. OSHC is offered by a number of different providers.

You will need to show evidence of your health cover payment to the Department of Home Affairs when you apply for your student visa.

The following table gives you cost guide for OSHC effective November 2019 (subject to change).

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- **Cover for you only.**
- **Cover for you and your partner.**
- **Cover for you, your partner and your children under 18 years of age if they live with you in Australia.**

More information about OSHC can be found at: [tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/healthcover](http://tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/healthcover)

**Additional costs**

You may have some additional costs to pay when you commence your TAFE WA course. Some examples include resource fees which are paid direct to the campus, purchase of uniforms and equipment needed to complete your course, stationery and text books. These fees are separate to the tuition fees charged for your course.
Budgeting (cont.)

Employment

You may decide to find a part-time job, once you commence your studies, to increase your income and gain work experience. Your international student visa allows you to work while you are in Australia. International students can work up to 40 hours per fortnight during the semester and unlimited hours during semester breaks.

You may be able to earn between $15-$20 per hour depending upon your skills and experience. Please do not rely on these earnings to pay your tuition fees. You can discuss these work options with the International Student Coordinator at your campus, after you have started your course so that you can assess if you are able to meet course commitments and study workloads whilst working.

Sample weekly budget (AUD)

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<th>Cost</th>
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<td>Rent – shared accommodation (average)</td>
<td>$70 - $250</td>
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<td>Gas, water, electricity, phone (landline)</td>
<td>$60 - $140</td>
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<td>Phone + internet</td>
<td>$20 - $55</td>
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<td>Food + eating out</td>
<td>$80 - $280</td>
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<td>Public transport</td>
<td>$15 - $55</td>
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<td>Clothing + entertainment</td>
<td>$80 - $150</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$330 - $750 (average $520)</td>
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What can I study after I finish my English language course?

Students can select from over 135 courses at Certificate, Diploma and Advanced Diploma level at TAFE WA.

Study areas include:

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ELICOS and TAFE course can be packaged. To view the full range of TAFE WA courses please visit the website: tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/courses

TAFE WA Unipathway

If you want to study a university degree, and don’t have the academic requirements, then a TAFE WA UniPathway can help you reach your education goals. TAFE WA has a number of courses that can be packaged with university degrees at diploma and advanced diploma level. If you are eligible, you will receive two offers - from TAFE WA and from your chosen university.

TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA) has partnerships with Curtin University, Edith Cowan University and Murdoch University. They can arrange a TAFE to university packaged offer for a wide range of courses. This allows you to apply for one student visa and the university degree will be your principal course. You must understand the following before you apply for a university package:

- You must apply through an education agent registered to represent both TIWA and your chosen university.
- You can package English with your TAFE and university courses, but the duration of your English studies will be limited.
- You must request the university package at the time you are applying for TAFE WA.
- Any advanced standing or credit for recognised learning will be reflected on your university offer.
TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA) accepts a range of English tests and evidence of English language proficiency for entry into TAFE WA courses. The minimum level of English proficiency required for entry into most TAFE WA courses is the equivalent of Academic IELTS 5.5 with no band lower than 5.0. Some courses may require a higher level of English i.e. Academic IELTS 6.0/7.0.

More information is available on the TIWA website tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/courses.

Where a recognised English test score is not available, students are invited to sit the TIWA English Language Placement Test which will indicate how much English language study is required to meet the entry requirements of the chosen course. A full list of tests and English language equivalency that are accepted is available on the TIWA website tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/english-requirements.

Please note TIWA reserves the right to require any student, whose actual English performance is found not to be consistent with the IELTS scores they presented with their application form, to sit an independent English test as determined by TIWA.

Please note that all IELTS test are only valid for 2 years.

Approximate weeks of ELICOS to achieve required IELTS equivalent (depending on individual band score)

- **5.5** Entry to TAFE (for most courses)
- 5.0 weeks
- **4.5** weeks
- **4.0** weeks
- **3.5** weeks
1. Find a course

You can choose from over 135 TAFE WA courses. Visit the TIWA website at tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/courses for the latest course information. TIWA has two intakes per year – February and July. It is important to check the website to make sure your course has an intake in the required semester.

2. Check entry requirements

All applicants can study at TAFE WA in the calendar year they are turning 18. There are no English or academic entry requirements to begin our English (ELICOS) programs. However, all certificate and diploma courses have specific academic and English proficiency requirements. A full list is available on the TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA) website tafeinternational.wa.edu.au.

Please make sure you are able to meet the entry requirements of your chosen course before you proceed to the next step.

Application + Acceptance Deadlines

Deadlines for submitting applications for admission into TAFE WA courses can depend on your passport nationality and whether you are applying on or offshore.

Students should be aware that there are deadlines for accepting offers and making fee payment. CoEs will not be issued after the cut-off date, to ensure that students leave reasonable time to get their visa and arrive in time for orientation and the start of classes.

For more information regarding application dates please visit our website at tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/application-dates.

3. Submit an application

You can apply to study at TAFE WA by completing an online application form at the TIWA website tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/apply.

You can apply directly to TIWA or you can use an education agent to help with your application. A list of authorised TIWA education agents for your country is available at tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/agentfinder. It is a requirement that students from certain countries require a TIWA authorised education agent to submit their study and visa application.

Receive your Letter of Offer

Once your application and supporting documentation is received by TIWA, it will be assessed to determine your eligibility. If your application is successful, you will receive a ‘Letter of Offer’. This letter will be sent to you directly or through the education agent you have nominated on the application form.

You must meet any conditions listed in your Letter of Offer, before accepting and making payment.

Please note your place is subject to availability at the time of acceptance and payment.
Application Procedure (cont.)

4. Accept your offer and pay
To accept your offer, you need to sign the Acceptance Letter and make payment. After you have met all the conditions, signed the Letter of Acceptance and made payment, you will be issued your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

5. Apply for your student visa
Once you have your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) you can apply for your student visa by visiting the Department of Home Affairs website at [homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500](homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500)
You must have a student visa in order to enter Australia and commence your studies.

6. Start your studies
When your student visa is issued you can make plans to start your studies at TAFE WA. Make sure to check the orientation dates for your campus before you make travel arrangements as you need to arrive in time for orientation.
You must arrive in Australia prior to the commencement of your course or your enrolment may be deferred to the next available intake and you may have to return home.

Enrolment Conditions
TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA) is the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) and CRICOS Provider for the delivery of training to international students enrolled in a TAFE course in Western Australia. The nationally accredited courses are delivered by a Western Australian TAFE college on TIWA’s behalf, however TIWA retains responsibility for the quality of the training and assessment delivered by the TAFE colleges and for the issue of certification documents to students.

ESOS Act and National Code
The Australian Government wants international students in Australia to have a safe, enjoyable and quality study experience. Australian laws promote quality education and consumer protection for overseas students. These laws are known as the ESOS (Education Services for Overseas Students) framework and they include the ESOS Act and the National Code. For information about ESOS and your rights as an international student in Australia please go to the Government International Education website [docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/esosstudentfactsheetv3.pdf](docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/esosstudentfactsheetv3.pdf)

Code of Conduct
TAFE International Western Australia (TIWA) is committed to providing international students with a safe and supportive learning environment. While on any campus of a Western Australian TAFE college, TIWA’s premises or when engaged in any course related activity off campus, international students are expected to behave in a considerate, courteous and lawful manner when dealing with staff, other students and members of the public.
The behaviour expected of international students is outlined in the Student Code of Conduct. In order to maintain your enrolment with TIWA you must comply with the Student Code of Conduct which can be viewed at [tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/current-students/code-of-conduct](tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/current-students/code-of-conduct)

Refunds and Withdrawals
After you have completed your enrolment your circumstances may change which means you may have to withdraw. To withdraw from your course, you must complete a Refund and Withdrawal Form. When you have completed the form and attached any supporting documentation it will be processed. Please note that processing of your withdrawal, and any fee refund you may be due can take up to four weeks. To view the TIWA Refund Policy please visit [tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/current-students/refund-policy](tafeinternational.wa.edu.au/current-students/refund-policy)
All TIWA refunds will be made in accordance with the refund table and conditions contained within this policy.
You can find more information to manage your enrolment on the TIWA website including:
> changing course
> course progress
> attendance
> complaints and appeals
> deferring studies
> late arrivals
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