

ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP)

CRICOS CODE: 054804F (SYDNEY & ADELAIDE)

Course Information:

The English for Academic Purposes Program (EAP) is structured at two levels: EAP (Upper-Intermediate) and EAP (Advanced). The programs are intended for international students wishing to pursue studies at either undergraduate or post graduate level. The focus of each course is on the language skills students will need to undertake academic studies. Both courses will also prepare students for the cultural differences they may encounter both socially and academically on campus. Such areas would include expectations of lecturers, developing autonomous learning skills, working in groups, adjusting to study and social customs. Both EAP courses seek to create an environment whereby the student becomes self-determined and is able to learn using strategies most suitable to him/her. Using this learner-centred method the student becomes confident in approaching the demands and stresses associated with academic life.

Briefly, the aims of the EAP course are:

- To enable students to become familiar with, and to practice applying, English medium academic conventions.
- To teach students to critically consider texts, discourses and issues by analysing the purposes behind the texts.
- To provide Writing, Reading, Listening and Speaking skills particularly suitable to academic environments.
- To enhance students' abilities to be independent learners and to utilize the World Wide Web for academic research.
- To facilitate a process for students so that they recognize and appreciate cultural viewpoints that may be different than their own.
- To make a smooth as possible transition from studying in the students' own countries and languages to studying in English.

Articulation:

Successful completion of the EAP (Upper-Intermediate) course at IIBIT – Academy of English satisfies the English language requirements for entry into Diploma, and Advanced Diploma courses offered by IIBIT.

Successful completion of the EAP (Advanced) course at IIBIT – Academy of English satisfies the English language requirements for entry into Diploma, Advanced Diploma and Bachelor Degree or Postgraduate Degree courses.

Entry Requirements:

Both the EAP Upper-Intermediate and EAP Advanced courses are designed as a pre-university preparation program and each course is conducted over a 10-week duration comprising of 20 hours per week.

An entry requirement for the EAP Upper-Intermediate course is for students with an IELTS proficiency of 5.0 overall band score (minimum 5 on writing) or equivalent, or completion of General English Upper-Intermediate. Students are welcome to undertake an English language assessment at IIBIT Academy of English for entry into this course.

An entry requirement for the EAP Advanced course is for students with an IELTS proficiency of 5.5 overall band score (minimum 5 on writing) or equivalent. Students are welcome to undertake an English language assessment at IIBIT Academy of English for entry into this course.