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Course Specification

Pre-sessional: 5-week,
10-week, 20-week

Course Code:

EELFW,EFLPR,EFTW

2020/21

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Section 1

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Material Information Summary for 2020 Entrants

Confirmed at 3/6/2020

General Information

Award	Pre-sessional (non-award bearing)
Contained Awards	None
Awarding Body	Leeds Beckett University
Level of Qualification & Credits	Non- award bearing
Course Lengths & Standard	20 / 10 / 5 weeks
Timescales	<p>Start dates will be notified to students via their offer letter. The length and mode of delivery of the course is confirmed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 weeks (full time, distance learning)• 10 weeks (full time, distance learning)• 5 weeks (full time, distance learning)
Part Time Study	Not applicable
Location(s) of Delivery	Distance Learning
Entry Requirements	<p>Admissions criteria are confirmed in your offer letter. Details of how the University recognises prior learning and supports credit transfer are located here: www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/studenthub/recognition-of-prior-learning.</p> <p>Admissions enquiries may be directed to: AdmissionsEnquiries@leedsbeckett.ac.uk.</p>
Course Fees	Course fees and any additional course costs are confirmed in your offer letter. Fees enquiries may be directed to Fees@leedsbeckett.ac.uk .

Timetable Information

Timetables will be made available to students during induction week via:

- i) The Student Outlook Calendar

- ii) The Student Portal (MyBeckett)
- iii) The Leeds Beckett app

Any difficulties relating to timetabled sessions may be discussed with your Course Administrator.

Policies, Standards and Regulations (www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/public-information)

There are no additional or non-standard regulations which relate to your course.

Key Contacts

Your Course Leader Suzanne Corazzi, S.Corazzi@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

Your Academic Advisor Suzanne Corazzi

Your Course Administrator Catherine Frost, ELT@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

Professional Accreditation or Recognition Associated with the Course

Professional Body Not applicable

Course Overview

Aims

The aim of the Pre-sessional is to prepare students in English language to the equivalent of IELTS 6.0 or 6.5 in academic contexts for undergraduate or postgraduate studies at UK universities.

Course Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

For courses requiring IELTS 6.0 (no skill below 5.5)

L01	have a level of receptive and productive skills equivalent to IELTS 6.0
L02	use academic and research skills that are appropriate to the level of entry required for undergraduate or postgraduate study
L03	operate successfully within the UK's higher education study culture

For courses requiring IELTS 6.5 (no skill below 6.0)

L01	have a level of receptive and productive skills equivalent to IELTS 6.5
L02	use academic and research skills that are appropriate to the level of entry required for undergraduate or postgraduate study
L03	operate successfully within the UK's higher education study culture

Teaching and Learning Activities

Summary

The course uses a range of online learning and teaching activities, which put the students at the centre of the classroom. All language teaching and tuition takes place through the virtual learning environment (MyBeckett) and usually uses Microsoft Teams, with normal maximum class sizes of 20 students. The teaching methods are learner-centred and develop students' linguistic skills, academic English and research skills, and learning strategies. Students on this course will also be encouraged to take responsibility for their own language learning through the development of independent learning skills. The classes concentrate on the use of language for communication using real-life tasks and authentic materials relevant to academic settings wherever possible. In this course, emphasis will be on academic, accurate and fluent English as required to meet the criteria for IELTS 6.0 equivalent (or 6.5 equivalent). In addition, guided independent learning tasks and regular feedback are given to support work done in class and to prepare for later classes.

Assessment Balance and Scheduled Learning and Teaching Activities by Level

There will be 20 hours of synchronously delivered activities per week. All assessment will be delivered online and reflect our existing benchmarking and standards in relation to IELTS scores.

Assessment

The Pre-sessional is assessed predominantly by coursework.

Workload

The following information provides an indication of the time required for different activities on the course:

Overall Workload	
Teaching, Learning and Assessment	30%
Independent Study	70%

Learning Support

Standard Text: If you have a question or a problem relating to your course, your Course Administrator is there to help you. Course Administrators work closely with academic staff and can make referrals to teaching staff or to specialist professional services as appropriate. They can give you a confirmation of attendance letter, and a transcript. You may also like to contact the Students' Union Advice team for additional support with course-related questions.

If you have any questions about life at our University in general, contact the Student Advice Hub. This team, consisting of recent graduates and permanent staff, are available to support you throughout your time. They will make sure you have access to and are aware of the support and specialist services our University provides. Email enquiries may be directed to studentadvicehub@leedsbeckett.ac.uk.

Within MyBeckett you will see two tabs (Support and Opportunities) where you can find online information and resources for yourselves. The Support tab gives you access to details of services available to give you academic and personal support. These include Library Services, the Students' Union, Money advice, Disability advice and support, Wellbeing and International Student Services and Accommodation. There is also an A-Z of Support Services, and access to online appointments/registration.