



PRE-SESSIONAL  
ENGLISH COURSES

2016/17



IMPROVE YOUR  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
IN BOURNEMOUTH BY  
STUDYING AN AUB  
PRE-SESSIONAL  
ENGLISH COURSE

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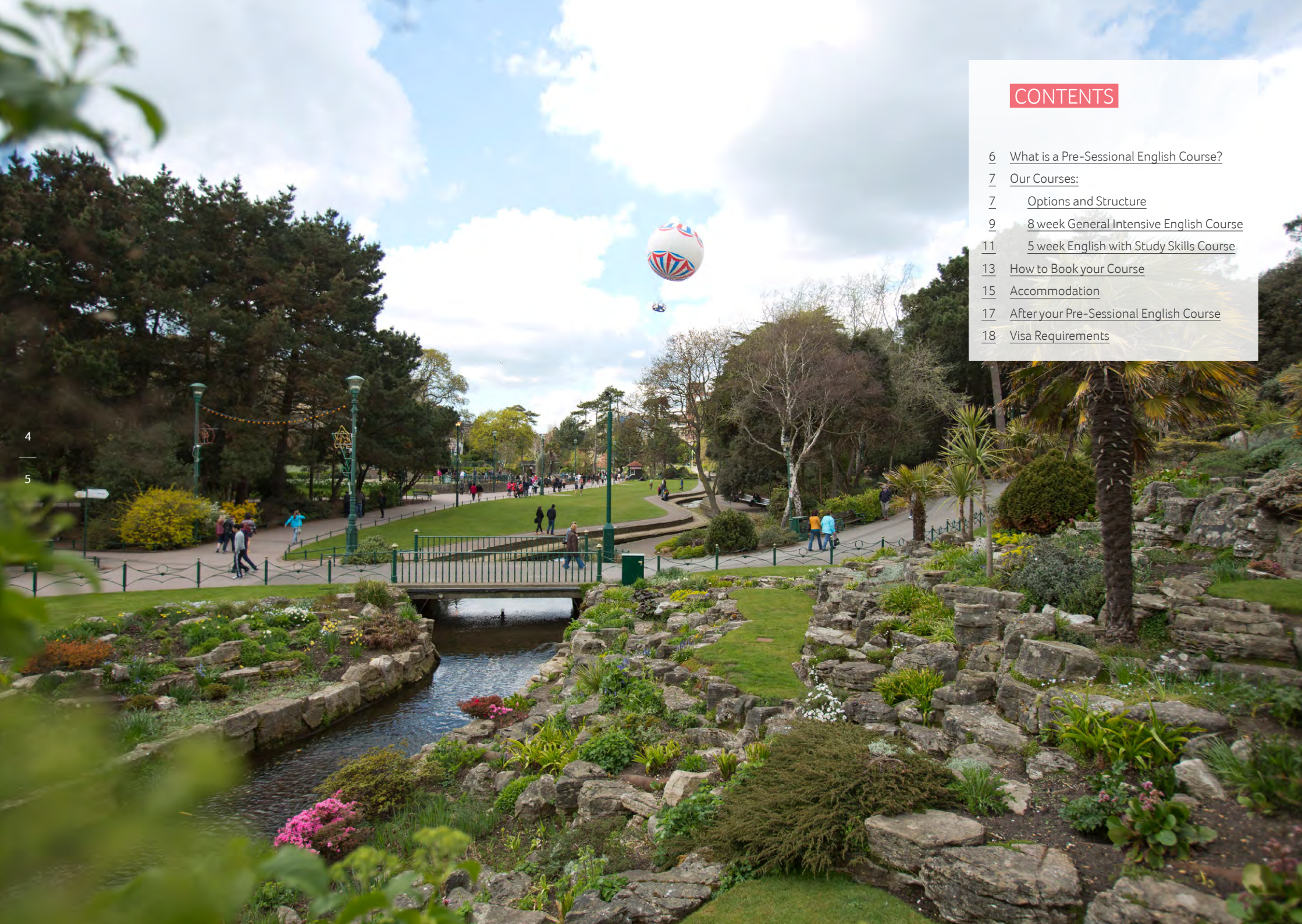


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## WHAT IS A PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH COURSE?

Our Pre-Sessional English courses are for students who have not yet met our minimum English Language requirements or are looking to improve their study skills in the UK before starting their main course. They also offer students the perfect opportunity to settle into life in the UK and practice their English outside of the classroom.

### **AUB's minimum English Language requirements are:**

#### **BA (1st year entry)**

Overall IELTS score of 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four components (Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening)

#### **BA (2nd or 3rd year entry)**

Overall IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four components (Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening)

#### **MA**

Overall IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four components (Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening)

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If you decide that you are not going to attend one of our Pre-Sessional English courses, you will need to make sure you can meet our English Language requirements in your own country, before you apply for your visa. We recommend that you plan to do this as soon as possible and choose to take an IELTS for UKVI test, especially if you are not sure whether you will meet our English Language requirements; this way, you will still be able to join one of our Pre-Sessional English courses if you need to. Each year several students do not quite meet our requirements but miss the start of our Pre-Sessional English courses and are unable to study with us as a result.

## OUR COURSES

### **OPTIONS AND STRUCTURE**

The Arts University Bournemouth runs two Pre-Sessional course options, available for International and EU students applying to study at Bachelor and Masters level only. We are sorry, but students applying to our Foundation or Pre-Masters programmes are unfortunately not eligible for these courses.

#### **5 week course**

For students who need to improve their English Language by 0.5 IELTS points; studied at the Arts University Bournemouth campus.

#### **13 (8+5) week course**

For students who need to improve their English Language by 1.0 IELTS point. Made up of 8 weeks of study at Anglo-Continental School of English, our partner language school; before progressing the 5 week course option at the Arts University Bournemouth.

You can find out more information about the 5 week and 13 (8+5) week courses on the following pages.

If you are applying to study on our Foundation or Pre-Masters programmes and would like advice on how you can improve your English Language in your country, please email [intadvice@aub.ac.uk](mailto:intadvice@aub.ac.uk).



## 8 WEEK GENERAL INTENSIVE ENGLISH COURSE

### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

The 8 week General Intensive English course is studied at our partner language school, Anglo-Continental School of English.

This course is designed to improve your level of English in the four main areas of reading, writing, listening and speaking, allowing you to progress to the level required for the 5 week English with Study Skills course.

This course is made up of 30 lessons per week (of 45 minutes in length) including:

- 20 lessons of structured English language tuition and practice
- 5 lessons of language extension activities
- 5 lessons of supplementary skills, including areas such as:
  - Reading and writing
  - English for work and study (intermediate to advanced level)
  - British life and culture

Your English Language level will be assessed by Anglo-Continental on your arrival, before you are allocated to a suitable class for your ability. AUB Pre-Sessional students share classes with Anglo-Continental language students of the same level for the duration of the course, providing a varied learning environment.

You will not have to take an IELTS test at the end of the General Intensive Course, but you are required to complete the course successfully with good attendance, show progression of your English level, show participation in class, complete all homework and pass the on-going assessments. Once you have successfully completed the 8 week General Intensive English course, you will then be eligible to progress onto the 5 week English with Study Skills course at AUB.

### THE START OF YOUR LIFE AS AN AUB STUDENT

All students who are enrolled on the 8 week General Intensive English course at Anglo-Continental are seen as students of the Arts University Bournemouth, so you will be a true part of the AUB community from your first day of enrolment onto your Pre-Sessional course; this means you will have full access to the AUB campus facilities and support networks during your time at Anglo-Continental. In addition, our International Student Adviser makes frequent visits to Anglo-Continental throughout the 8 week course to meet with Pre-Sessional students and provide help or advice if needed.

### KEY FACTS

Monday 6th June to  
Friday 29th July 2016

Full time,  
Monday to Friday

Progress onto the 5 week English  
with Study Skills course at AUB

### REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE

Friday 6th May 2016

### COURSE FEES

£2,415, to be paid directly to  
Anglo-Continental School of  
English

### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

#### BA (1st year entry)

Overall IELTS score of 5.0 with a  
minimum of 4.5 in each of the four  
components (Reading, Writing,  
Speaking and Listening)

#### BA (2nd or 3rd year entry)

Overall IELTS score of 5.5 with a  
minimum of 5.0 in each of the four  
components (Reading, Writing,  
Speaking and Listening)

#### MA

Overall IELTS score of 5.5 with a  
minimum of 5.0 in each of the four  
components (Reading, Writing,  
Speaking and Listening)





## 5 WEEK ENGLISH WITH STUDY SKILLS COURSE

### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

The 5 week English with Study Skills course is studied at the Arts University Bournemouth and offers you the opportunity to develop your essential language and academic skills in a university environment, to help prepare you for your main course of study.

The course is delivered through a combination of the following:

- English for academic purposes workshops
- Study skills classes
- Self-directed e-learning
- Academic arts-based lectures
- Individual tutorials
- Life drawing classes
- Independent learning
- Film evenings
- Study visits

There is a strong focus on active learning and your ability to use new language, knowledge and skills accurately and correctly in your academic work. Throughout the course, a range of tasks and assignments are included to help you practise your skills and develop confidence in your use of English - both written and spoken.

The course provides a rich, stimulating learning environment; as well as listening to your tutors in class and lectures, you will also be working in pairs and small groups to share and discuss ideas and complete tasks together. Other aspects of the course encourage independent learning and good time management.

At the conclusion of the 5-week English with Study Skills course, students must have reached the UKVI's English language requirement for study at degree level and above. UKVI have set the required English level for study at degree level and above at CEFR B2 in each of the four components; reading, writing, listening and speaking. To determine your English language level at the end of the course, there are three assessed assignments:

1. A 1,500-word essay
2. An evaluation
3. A group presentation

Each assignment must be passed before students are able to progress onto their chosen AUB course.

### KEY FACTS

Monday 1st August to  
Friday 2nd September 2016

Full time, Monday to Friday  
+ some Saturday study visits

Progress onto your main course of  
study at AUB

### REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE

Friday 1st July 2016

### COURSE FEES

£ 2,025, to be paid to the Arts  
University Bournemouth

*We offer a special 10% discounted rate on the above course fees for students studying the full 13 (8+5) week Pre-Sessional course. Students studying the 5 week English with Study Skills course only can also enjoy this discounted rate if they pay their Pre-Sessional course fees in full, on or before Friday 10th June 2016.*

### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Successful completion of the 8 week General Intensive English course at Anglo-Continental School of English.

or

### BA (1st year entry)

Overall IELTS score of 5.5 with a minimum of 5.0 in each of the four component (Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening)

### BA (2nd or 3rd year entry)

Overall IELTS score of 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four components (Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening)

### MA

Overall IELTS score of 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four components (Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening)





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## HOW TO BOOK YOUR COURSE

### BOOK YOUR COURSE IN 5 SIMPLE STEPS

1

**Choose** whether you would like to join our 5 week or 13 (8+5) week course

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**Register** for your chosen course through the MyApplication portal

3

**If you book just the 5 week course,** you will receive an email from the AUB confirming your booking, with a link to make payment for the course.

**If you book the 13 (8+5) week course,** you will receive an email from the AUB confirming your booking, with a link to make payment for the 5 week course. The AUB will also share your information with Anglo-Continental, who will then contact you with details on how to pay for the 8 week course.

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**Make payment(s)** as advised

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You will be contacted by AUB (and Anglo-Continental) with **confirmation** of your payment and further details about the course.

If you have any questions about booking your chosen Pre-Sessional course, please contact our International Student Adviser by emailing [intadvice@aub.ac.uk](mailto:intadvice@aub.ac.uk).





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## ACCOMMODATION FOR YOUR COURSE

### HOMESTAY

Pre-Sessional students on both the 5 and 13 (8+5) week courses can enjoy Homestay accommodation organised by Anglo-Continental School of English, our partner language school. Anglo-Continental provide carefully selected, comfortable Homestay accommodation across Bournemouth with English-speaking hosts. The added benefit of Homestay accommodation is that it gives you the opportunity to practice your English outside of the classroom by being a part of the English-speaking community.

You can enjoy a pleasantly furnished single room with shared shower or bathroom facilities, 16 meals per week and a light laundry service.

The fees for Homestay accommodation are:

- First week: £175
- Each additional week: £115 per week
- High season supplement of £37 per week (between 19/06/2016 and 14/08/2016)
- Under-18 supplement: £10 per week

Homestay accommodation is allocated on a weekly basis, running from Sunday to Sunday.

### How can I book?

If you choose to study the full 13 (8+5) week Pre-Sessional Course, Anglo-Continental will contact you directly with details on how you can book Homestay accommodation.

If you choose to study the 5 week English with Study Skills course only, please email [intadvice@aub.ac.uk](mailto:intadvice@aub.ac.uk) requesting Homestay accommodation and we will pass on your information to Anglo-Continental, who will then contact you with details on how to book.

### OTHER ACCOMMODATION IN BOURNEMOUTH

You may wish to arrange your own accommodation for the duration of your Pre-Sessional studies.

There are plenty of different accommodation options available to you throughout Bournemouth and Poole, including hotels and guesthouses, holiday rentals, private rented accommodation and short-term International student flats and rooms, to name a few. Bournemouth and Poole cover quite a large area, so whatever accommodation you choose, make sure it has good transport links so you can easily travel to your Pre-Sessional classes.

You can get general advice and information regarding finding and arranging other accommodation from our Student Services team by emailing [studentadvice@aub.ac.uk](mailto:studentadvice@aub.ac.uk).

### HALLS OF RESIDENCE

If you are a BA student planning to book a room in our Madeira Road Halls of Residence for your main course, you will also have the option of staying there during the 5 week English with Study Skills course, at the same weekly rate.

We are sorry, but this option is not available to students staying at our Winton, Bath Road or George Close Halls of Residences for their main course.

Contracts for the Pre-Sessional and main course combined start on Monday 25th July as standard, so you will need to make sure you arrange other accommodation in Bournemouth for before this date, if you need it.

### How can I book?

Please select the 'Pre-Sessional and Undergraduate' option when you book your room for your main course in Madeira Road (make sure to do this before the deadline on 27th May 2016!).

If at first you only book Madeira Road Halls of Residence for your main course, but later decide you would also like to book it for the 5 week English with Study Skills course, please email the International Office to request this. We unfortunately cannot always guarantee that rooms will be available for the 5 week English with Study Skills course if they are requested after the deadline.







## AFTER YOUR PRE-SESSIONAL COURSE

### STUDENTS JOINING A BA PROGRAMME:

There will be a one week break to travel or relax before the start of your main course at the AUB.

The first week of your main course will be our BA Orientation Programme, starting on Monday 12th September, which is a fantastic opportunity for all new International and EU students studying at BA level to meet, make new friends and learn more about the University; life as a student; studying a creative course; and living in the UK. The programme includes a Welcome Party and day-trip, as well as workshops, talks and group activities. More details about the programme will be available in the near future on your MyApplication portal. The Orientation Programme is compulsory for Tier 4 visa students.

### STUDENTS JOINING AN MA PROGRAMME:

There will be just over two weeks to travel or relax before the start of your main course at the AUB.

You will be invited to attend our MA Orientation Programme on Thursday 22nd September, which is a fantastic opportunity for all new International and EU students studying at MA level to meet, make new friends and learn more about the University; life as a student; studying at Masters level; and living in the UK. The programme includes workshops, talks and an evening reception with refreshments. More details about the programme will be available in the near future on your MyApplication portal. The Orientation Programme is compulsory for Tier 4 visa students.

All Masters students who attend one of our Pre-Sessional courses will also be invited to attend the BA Orientation Programme Welcome Party – further details of this event will be made available to you closer the time.



## TIER 4 VISA REQUIREMENTS

When you have accepted our offer and paid your Pre-Sessional course fees in full, you will be able to request a CAS for your Tier 4 (General) visa application. You can find out details on how to do this by visiting our website, or by emailing [intadvice@aub.ac.uk](mailto:intadvice@aub.ac.uk).

Once you have been issued with a CAS, you will be able to apply for your visa.

Remember to read the Visas and Immigration section of our website and make sure you know what documents you need to prepare for your application in advance. If you are not prepared there will be a delay in your visa application or your application may be refused, which could result in you being unable to study with us.

### HOW MANY VISAS WILL I NEED?

Main course/Pre-Sessional	13 (8+5) week course	5 week course
BA (1st year entry)	<b>One visa</b> will cover both your Pre-Sessional course and your main course	<b>One visa</b> will cover both your Pre-Sessional course and your main course
BA (2nd or 3rd year entry)	<b>One visa</b> will cover both your Pre-Sessional course and your main course	You will need <b>two visas</b> ,* one visa for your Pre-Sessional and one visa for your main course
MA	<b>One visa</b> will cover both your Pre-Sessional course and your main course	You will need <b>two visas</b> ,* one visa for your Pre-Sessional and one visa for your main course

\* *The Immigration Rules state that a student will need a separate visa for their Pre-Sessional course if their English language is already at B2 level.*

### WHEN CAN I APPLY FOR MY SECOND VISA?

If you need two visas, you will be issued with a new CAS on completion of the 5 week English with Study Skills course for you to apply to 'Extend your Leave' in the UK.

You will be able to begin studying your main course before you receive your second visa, provided you have submitted your application. You will not be able to enrol onto your main course or attend our Orientation Programme until you have submitted your visa application. The International Student Adviser will be able to assist you with your application for your second visa.

If you would like any further information about visas for Pre-Sessional courses, or extending your leave in the UK for your main course, please contact our International Student Adviser by emailing [intadvice@aub.ac.uk](mailto:intadvice@aub.ac.uk).



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