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English Language programs

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Programs

English Language programs

Academic Communication Skills Program (ACSP) -

CRICOS code (International applicants): 102584M

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	On-campus
Start:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Toowoomba
Fees:	International full fee paying place Commonwealth supported fee exempt places
Standard duration:	On-campus: minimum 10 weeks, maximum 30 weeks
Program articulation:	From: This program offers several articulation paths, please refer to the Program articulation table within the Program completion requirements section of this Handbook.

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- **Resident status:** students on international student visas, or students from non-English speaking backgrounds residing in Australia.
- **Minimum academic requirements:** completion of senior secondary schooling in the home country, *or* completed Year 12 in an Australian High School *or* completed 'A' levels, *or* mature-age entry.

English language entry requirements

Placement in the program is determined by results of an international English language test. Students will be placed in an appropriate level according to results on the test.

Level	(IELTS, or equivalent in all macro skills) Entry score	(IELTS, or equivalent) Exit score
ACS 1	6.0	6.5
ACS 2	6.5	7.0
ACS 3	7.0	7.5

Program fees

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, external or online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Commonwealth supported fee exempt places

Domestic students who meet the below citizenship and residency requirements are eligible for a Commonwealth supported fee exempt place:

- Australian citizens
- holders of a Permanent Humanitarian Visa (and resident in Australia)
- New Zealand citizens (resident in Australia).

Program structure

Students enrol in the different Academic Communication Skills (ACS) levels based on results of a recognised English language test. The program has 3 levels which students undertake successively. Progress to the next level is predicated upon success in examination and assignments.

Program completion requirements

Students wishing to apply for direct entry into undergraduate and postgraduate degree programs must meet the [approved pathway and foundation program proficiency requirements](#). Students failing courses in the Academic Communication Skills Program or not meeting the grades requirement for entry are required to retake the course and seek recommendations from the Program Director regarding a suitable pathway to gain entry to degree studies.

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Articulation can occur:

- From - EAP 2 to ACS 1 to [Category 3](#) programs
- From ACS1 to [Category 3](#) programs
- From ACS 1 (Requires 70% minimum final grade) to ACS 2.
- From ACS 2 to ACS 3 or [Category 4](#) programs
- From ACS 3 to [Category 5](#) programs.

Required time limits

Standard duration of the on-campus program is a minimum of 10 weeks and a maximum of 30 weeks.

Core courses

Each level of ACS is designed to further advance your academic English language skills and ensure you are prepared to integrate effectively in an Australian academic setting.

Course	Campus
ACS0001 Advanced Communication Skills One	Springfield, Toowoomba
ACS0002 Advanced Communication Skills Two	Springfield, Toowoomba
ACS0003 Advanced Communication Skills Three	Springfield, Toowoomba

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (on-campus, external or online), regardless of the program mode of study they enrolled in.

This program is delivered in all semesters up to four times per year. Students' entry points depend on their proven, pre-existing level of English proficiency.

English Language Preparatory Courses for Domestic Students (ELDS) - ELPDS New

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	On-campus
Start:	Offered from SS2, 2023 Session 1 (March) Session 2 (July)
Campus:	Toowoomba
Fees:	Commonwealth supported fee exempt places
Standard duration:	Minimum of one session to a maximum of two sessions
Program articulation:	To: UniPrep

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Program aims

The aim of this program is to provide language preparation for tertiary study based on the personal and intellectual transition required by students to succeed in higher education in the Australian context. It aims to develop linguistic and academic English skills to prepare students to participate in the UniPrep program. It provides this transition for students not fully prepared academically or requiring a higher level of English for tertiary study. The program will offer a pathway to 49 Tm2 lha student8 4828nt8779.528 384.646 Tm(Pr)Tj1nt8779.528 3

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Students from non-English speaking backgrounds resident in Australia.
- **Minimum academic requirements:** enrolled in Year 10 or 11 in a partner school and an IELTS of 4.5 or equivalent.

English Language entry requirements

Placement in the program is determined by results of an English language placement test. Students will be placed in an appropriate level Pre-Intermediate or Intermediate according to results on the placement test.

English for Academic Purposes (EAPS) - EAPS New

CRICOS code (International applicants): 069700B

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	On-campus
Start:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Toowoomba
Fees:	International full fee paying place Commonwealth supported fee exempt places
Standard duration:	On-campus: minimum 10 weeks, maximum 90 weeks

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Program objectives

On successful completion of the English for Academic Purposes program, students should be able to:

- (1) Communicate using the English language in clear, simple, and connected spoken and written texts on familiar integrated academic content, with support at an emerging independent level.
- (2) Comprehend aural and written Standard English in structured integrated academic texts on familiar topics with some confidence, with support at an emerging independent level.
- (3) Apply the English language with support at an emerging independent level on familiar academic topics across a range of simple academic spoken and written genres.
- (4) Produce simple integrated academic texts in English on familiar topics for a range of academic purposes, showing routine use of organisational patterns, connectors, and cohesive devices with accuracy at an emerging independent level.

Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 04. Graduates at this level will have theoretical and practical knowledge and skills for specialised and/or skilled work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- **Resident status:** students on international student visas or students from non-English speaking backgrounds resident in Australia
- **Minimum academic requirements:** completion of senior secondary schooling in the home country **or** Year 12 in an Australian High School **or** completed 'A' levels.
- **English Language Entry Requirements:**
 - EAP 1 - An entry level of IELTS 4.5 or equivalent
 - EAP 2 - An entry level of IELTS 5.0 or equivalent
 - EAP 3 - An entry level of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent

Program fees

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, external or online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Commonwealth supported fee exempt places

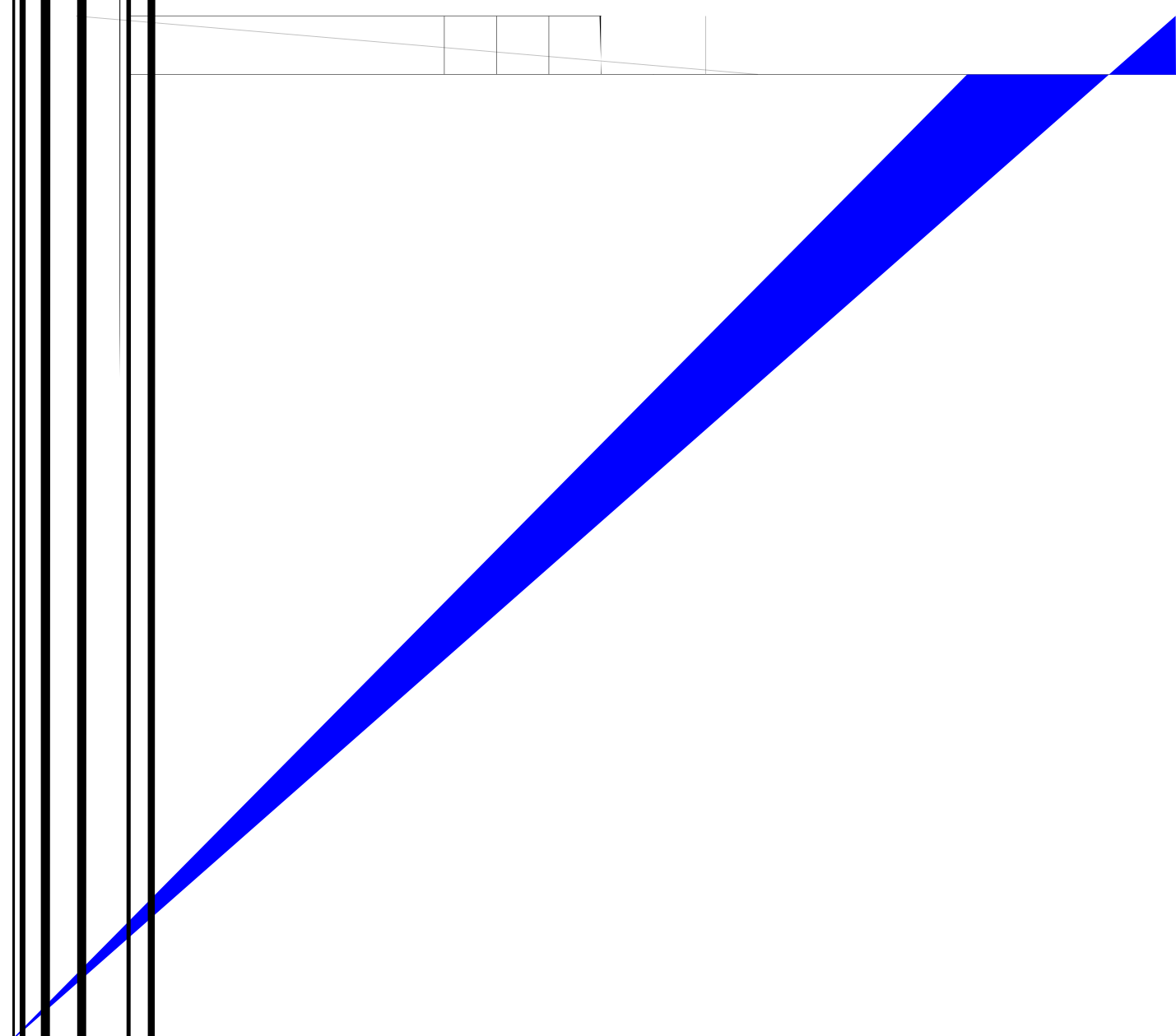
Domestic students who meet the below citizenship and residency requirements are eligible for a Commonwealth supported fee exempt place:

Required time limits

Standard duration of the on-campus program is a minimum of 10 weeks and a maximum of 90 weeks.

Recommended enrolment pattern

This program is delivered up to five times per year. EAPS commencement dates can be found [here](#).



Certificate of English for University Studies (CEUS) - CertEUS

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted.

	On-campus
Start:	No new admissions
Campus:	Springfield
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place
Standard duration:	0.5 year full-time, 1 year part-time
Program art9rs:	To: Diploma of English for University Studies and to undergraduate and postgraduate programs.

Completion of senior secondary schooling in the home country or equivalent, or Year 12 in an Australian high school.

Normally, to be eligible for enrolment in the program a person will have attained an age of at least 18 years in the year of the proposed enrolment.

Students will need to complete the online application form for entry to the program.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students' higher education and students pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [HECS-HELP](#).

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedule](#)

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

Program structure

Students must successfully complete the four level I core courses. Completion of the Certificate will enable students to enrol in the

IT requirements

Students must have reliable and ready access to email and the Internet. For information technology requirements, please see the [minimum computing standards](#).

Certificate of University Studies Recommended Enrolment Pattern

Students undertaking the Certificate of English for University Study must complete the four Level I, compulsory courses. The recommended enrolment pattern is as follows:

Diploma of English for University Studies (DEUS) - DipEUS

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted.

	On-campus
Start:	No new admissions
Campus:	Toowoomba, Springfield, Ipswich
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 year full-time, 2 years part-time
	To: undergraduate and postgraduate programs

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

Completion of senior secondary schooling in the home country or equivalent, or Year 12 in an Australian high school.

Normally, to be eligible for enrolment in the program a person will have attained an age of at least 18 years in the year of the proposed enrolment.

Students will need to complete the online application form for entry to the program.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students' higher education and students pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

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Domestic full fee paying place

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International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, external or online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Program structure

This program consists of eight core courses as seen below. Students must first successfully complete the four core courses from the [Certificate of English for University Studies](#) (EUS1001, EUS1002, EUS1003, EUS1004). After that, students progress to complete the remaining four Diploma courses. All eight courses can be taken in a single academic year for those pursuing full-time studies.

Core courses

There are eight compulsory courses:

- [EUS1001 Language for Study 1](#)
- [EUS1002 Listening and Speaking Fluently 1](#)
- [EUS1003 Reading and Critical Thinking 1](#)
- [EUS1004 Communicating Professionally 1](#)
- [EUS1005 Language for Study 2](#)

- EUS1006 Listening and Speaking Fluently 2
- EUS1007 Reading and Critical Thinking 2
- EUS1008 Communicating Professionally 2

Program completion requirements

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