

IELTS Preparation Course A

- Objective:** All of the four components (listening, reading, writing and speaking) will be covered in full in this IELTS course. Essential techniques and skills will be taught so that students will understand the exam format in detail. A combination of theoretical knowledge and practice will allow students to gain a solid understanding of how to get a satisfactory score in the IELTS exam.
- Target:** **Undergraduates and postgraduates who intend to pursue further study abroad,** in which IELTS score is one of the admission requirements.
- Instructor:** **Mr. Samuel Vong**, training instructor of the Career Development Centre
- Venue:** UM classroom
- Medium of Instruction:** English
- Remarks:** **Students are required to bring their own laptops to class.**

Course Schedule and Content:

27 February to 18 April; every Saturday and Sunday; 10:00-13:00 (12 sessions; 36 hours in total)

Session	Date		Topic
Pre-requisite	17 Feb	(Wed.)	Students are required to complete a pre-course mock test and send their answers to the course instructor by email <u>before 17 Feb</u>. All materials will be sent via emails and students are expected to follow instructions to achieve an accurate score prediction.
1	27 Feb	(Sat.)	Listening: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tips and techniques lecture ▪ Listening practice – different types of questions (map diagram, summary completion, matching, multiple choice, diagram labelling, fill in the blanks, etc) ▪ Featured listening tests with detailed explanation
2	28 Feb	(Sun.)	
3	6 Mar	(Sat.)	Reading: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tips and techniques lecture • Featured reading practice by topic (Psychology, Art, Science, Sociology, History, Management, Architecture, Economics, Technology, etc)
4	7 Mar	(Sun.)	
5	13 Mar	(Sat.)	Writing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tips and techniques lecture ▪ Important vocabularies for Task 1 ▪ Key structures for Task 2 ▪ Model essay explanation ▪ Detailed analysis of examples of different scores ▪ Review of essential grammatical knowledge for writing (Tenses, modal verbs, basic sentence structures, active and passive voice, reporting structures, articles, prepositions, clauses and inversion)
6	14 Mar	(Sun.)	

7	27 Mar	(Sat.)	Speaking: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Tips and techniques lecture▪ Model answers (voice)▪ Exercise to deepen understanding on pronunciation features▪ Speaking practice by topic
8	28 Mar	(Sun.)	
9	10 Apr	(Sat.)	Mock Exam* (Listening, reading and writing)
10	11 Apr	(Sun.)	Speaking Mock Exam* (with individual feedback after exam) Discussion and analysis of mock exam and study methods for further improvement
11	17 Apr	(Sat.)	
12	18 Apr	(Sun.)	
No class on 20-21 Mar, 3-4 Apr			

Attendance Policy:

All participants are required to fulfill the following attendance policy, otherwise MOP500 per course will be charged:

- Achieve an attendance rate of 80%, AND
- Complete the [mock tests*](#) as prescribed in the course