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 on the IELTS exam.					
Target:	Undergraduates and postgraduates who intend to pursue further study abroad, in which an IELTS score is one of the admission requirements.					
Instructor:	Mr. Samuel Vong, training instructor of the Career Development Centre					
Venue:	 3 Sep to 18 Sep: Online class 24 Sep to 22 Oct: UM Classroom (The course arrangement will depend on the further development of the pandemic. If the pandemic is getting worse, the course will be moved online.) 					
Medium of Instruction:	English					
Remarks:	Students are required to bring their laptops to class					
Prerequisite:	Students are required to complete a pre-course mock test and send their answers to the course instructor by email on or before 26 Aug 2022. All materials will be sent via emails. The pre-course test consists of a reading test and a writing test like those in an IELTS Exam and each test has a time limit of one hour only. Students are expected to follow instructions to achieve an accurate score prediction, and to take the test on their own without any assistance such as a dictionary or mobile phone within the time limit. The test will be marked and scores will be given for reference at the beginning of the course.					

Course Schedule and Content:

3 Sep to 22 Oct 2022; every Saturday and Sunday; 10:00-13:00 (12 sessions; 36 hours in total)

Session	Date		Торіс		
1	3 Sep	(Sat.)	Listening Reading	Form/ Notes Completion - Part 1 History (Passage 1)	
			Writing	Task 1: Basic Introduction & Line Graph	
			Speaking	Speaking Test Introduction	
				Group Practice – Family and Relationship	
2	4 Sep	(Sun.)	Listening	Form/ Notes Completion – Part 3/4	
			Reading	Archaeology (Passage 1)	
			Writing	Task 1: Pie Chart & Bar Graph	
			Speaking	Speaking Test Introduction 2 – Speaking FAQs and	
				Answering Techniques	
				Group Practice – History and Hometown	
3	10 Sep	(Sat.)	Listening	Multiple Choice - Part 2	
		. ,	Reading	Technology (Passage 2)	

			Writing	Task 2: Lexical Resources & Grammatical Range & Accuracy			
5	18 Sep	(Sun.)	Reading	Psychology (Passage 3)			
			Speaking	Speaking Part 2 Class Exercise A			
				Group Practice – Entertainment			
6	24 Sep	(Sat.)	Listening	Map Labelling - Part 2			
			Reading	Art (Passage 3)			
			Writing	Task 2: Coherence & Cohesion & Verb Form			
			Speaking	Speaking Part 2 Class Exercise B			
	ļ			Group Practice – Arts, Music and Culture			
7	25 Sep	(Sun.)	Listening	Plan/ Diagram Labelling - Part 2/3			
			Reading	Economics (Passage 3)			
			Writing	Task 2: Task Achievement & Examples			
			Speaking	Speaking Part 3 Class Exercise A			
				Group Practice – Social Issues			
8	8 Oct	(Sat.)	Listening	Full Test Practice 1			
			Reading	Sociology (Passage 3)			
			Writing	Exercise: Task 1 Review and Sentence Transformation			
			Speaking	Speaking Part 3 Class Exercise B			
				Group Practice - Environment			
9	9 Oct	(Sun.)	Listening	Full Test Practice 2			
		. ,	Reading	Management (Passage 3)			
			Writing	Exercise: Task 2 Review and Sentence Transformation			
			Speaking	Summary of the Speaking Test			
				Group Practice - Technology			
10	15 Oct	(Sat.)	Mock Test*	(Listening, Reading and Writing)			
11	16 Oct	(Sun.)	Mock Test	* (Speaking)			
12	22 Oct	(Sat.)	Mock Test * (Speaking)				
	No class on 11 Sep, 1 Oct, 2 Oct						
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PS: Optional home practice will be given at the end of each week.

Attendance Policy: All participants are required to fulfil the following attendance policy, otherwise, an administrative fee of MOP500 per course will be charged:

- Achieve an attendance rate of 80%, AND
- Complete the mock tests* as prescribed in the course