

# IELTS Examination Course



- ✓ Academic English training for university entry
- ✓ Intensive exam preparation
- ✓ University counselling service
- ✓ 12-week course
- ✓ 15 hours of lessons per week
- ✓ Minimum level: Intermediate Plus (B2.1)
- ✓ Course fee: **£2640** (see below)



## Course Description

The Lewis School has a strong history in providing IELTS courses, with many previous students following degree courses in Southampton and other cities. Our course is textbook-based and focuses entirely on the skills and language necessary to pass the exam, enabling you to make rapid progress.

Exams can be taken locally, shortly before or after the course ends. Demand for exams is high and students are advised to book their exams early to avoid disappointment. Exams can be booked through the school - see below.

### Course Fees

- **£2640** - course fee
- **£65** - enrolment fee (applies to new students only)
- Exam registration fee is not included (exam registration is optional). This is approximately £170 for non-UKVI purposes and £210 for UKVI purposes depending on centre.

### Course Details

- 12-week course
  - 15 hours of lessons per week
  - Maximum 13 students per class
  - Minimum age 16
  - Minimum level: Intermediate Plus (B2.1)
  - Coursebook, welcome pack & all learning materials included
  - Lewis School certificate\* and report at end of course
- \*subject to you attending 80% of lessons*

### 2019 Dates

14 January - 5 April  
 8 April - 28 June  
 1 July - 20 September  
 23 September - 13 Dec  
*Please note that the school is closed on all UK public holidays (19 April, 22 April, 6 May, 27 May, 26 August in 2019)*

### Lesson Timetable

Teaching days are Monday to Friday. Your normal timetable will be from **9.30 to 13.00**. However, in busy times, particularly in July and August, we may operate a 'zigzag' system. This means that your lessons may be timetabled any time between 9.30 and 17.30, and your schedule may vary from week to week.

# Exam Overview (IELTS Academic)



IELTS stands for International English Language Testing System, and is an important exam for students applying for college and university courses. There are four papers:

## Listening: 30 minutes

The listening paper has four parts and includes conversations and monologues in both social and academic contexts. You hear each recording only once.

## Reading: 1 hour

This paper consists of three long texts from books, journals, magazines and newspapers. There are 40 questions, and a range of question types is used in order to test different reading skills, such as reading for main ideas, reading for detail and recognising writers' opinions and attitudes.

## Writing: 1 hour

For both tasks, you will need to use a formal writing style. Task 1 involves summarising and describing information displayed in a chart, graph, table or diagram. In Task 2 you have to write an essay.

## Speaking: 11-14 minutes

The speaking test has three parts. Part 1 contains general questions about yourself. In Part 2 you are given a card with instructions to talk on a particular topic. You will have one minute to prepare and will have to talk for two minutes. Part 3 is a discussion based on the same topic.

## Course Overview

| Listening   | Reading  | Writing  | Speaking   |
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| <b>Skills Practice</b><br>Understanding the task<br>Listening for signals<br>Identifying context<br>Predicting possible answers<br>Understanding spelling & corrections<br>Listening for parallel expressions<br><br><b>Task Practice</b><br>Note completion<br>Sentence completion<br>Short-answer questions<br>Labelling a diagram<br>Flowchart completion<br>Multiple choice<br>Classification<br>Summary completion<br>True/false/not given | <b>Skills Practice</b><br>Skimming & scanning for information<br>Identifying main ideas<br>Identifying parallel expressions<br>Academic vocabulary<br>Deducing meaning from context<br><br><b>Task Practice</b><br>Paragraph headings<br>Matching<br>Multiple choice<br>Short-answer questions<br>Labelling a diagram<br>Classification<br>True/false/not given<br>Flowchart completion<br>Sentence completion<br>Summary completion | <b>Writing Task 1</b><br>Describing trends<br>Summarising information<br>Collocations<br>Describing line graphs<br>Describing pie charts, bar charts and tables<br>Describing diagrams and processes<br>Analysis of model answers<br><br><b>Writing Task 2</b><br>Structuring an essay<br>Paragraphing and linking<br>Developing an argument<br>Discursive language<br>Expressing opinions<br>Giving examples<br>Describing cause and effect<br>Describing advantages and disadvantages<br>Analysis of model answers | Expressing preferences, likes and dislikes<br>Descriptive language<br>Relating experiences<br>Speaking 'on the spot'<br>Discursive language<br>Evaluating<br>Expressing opinions<br>Giving examples<br>Describing advantages and disadvantages<br>Improving and developing answers |
| <i>Towards the end of the course you will be given a full mock exam and feedback on your score, to help you prepare for your test.</i>  |  |  |  |

## University Counselling Service & Study Support

We provide optional tutorials to make sure you are happy with your learning. We can also advise you on your university application.

**Book Your Course Now!**

For more information, or to book your course, please visit [www.lewis-school.co.uk](http://www.lewis-school.co.uk) or contact:  
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