English for University
2019
Welcome

Our English for University program is unique to Vietnam and is specifically tailored to support the needs of students who are studying in an international environment.

English for University is a seven-level program that helps to progress your English language skills to an advanced level. In developing your personal and academic skills, it also prepares you to successfully transition into undergraduate studies.

For those with higher levels of English, our UniSTART program provides you the option to study English for University courses alongside selected courses from your undergraduate program.

RMIT University provides the best environment for you to develop high-level English skills.

Our teachers are native English speakers with university degrees and qualifications in teaching English as a second language.

Our learning facilities are of international standard. You can enjoy access to modern language laboratories and computers equipped with specific software for learning and practising English.

We look forward to you joining our vibrant and diverse community of English learners!
English for University

**Levels**  
Beginner to Advanced

**Duration**  
10 weeks (200 hours) per level

**Location**  
Saigon South and Hanoi City

The English for University program provides seven levels of English training, taking you to an advanced level of proficiency in the English language. The program can be tailored to your skills and needs by offering flexible entry options.

You will become skilled in a wide range of academic areas. Learning how to research, paraphrase and synthesise information will give you the confidence to transition into an undergraduate program. By working in teams, applying critical thinking and delivering presentations, you will gain a broad set of practical skills that will help you thrive in university and in today’s workforce.

While learning a new language can be challenging, we have many support services to help you through the program. At the Independent Learning Centre, you can, for example, arrange one-on-one tutoring and extra assistance outside class time.

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UniSTART

UniSTART is a pathway option for transitioning into university while learning English.

For people with higher levels of English, UniSTART further builds your confidence in the language and helps you transition at a manageable pace into your full-time undergraduate program.

You will enhance your English and academic skills while taking first-year courses in your selected undergraduate program.

You are supported at every stage of the program and given the tools to be a successful student within an international environment.

Each English for University course taken as part of UniSTART includes an extra 25 hours of extra English assistance tailored to your needs. As part of this additional support, you can learn about your chosen area of study and discover the secrets to success at university.

You will enjoy self-development projects during your progression through the levels.

In the Pre-Advanced course, for example, you will develop academic reading skills. Projects at the Advanced level include a focus on developing employment strategies.

Your entry point into UniSTART depends on your academic grades and English ability.

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Your teacher will be a native English speaker

You can apply for generous scholarships available to outstanding students

You will receive regular individual feedback

You will have access to RMIT’s world-class facilities

You can get direct entry into RMIT University Vietnam

You will have access to up-to-date technology to enhance your learning

You will practice a range of academic skills and literacies

You can immerse yourself in the setting of an international university

The RMIT difference

International learning

Our international learning environment will help you to reach your full potential. Our inspiring and highly-qualified teachers are native English speakers who come from across the globe. They boast impressive academic credentials, with extensive teaching experience. They are all experts in understanding the needs of English-language learners entering university.

After graduating with a postgraduate certificate in education from a university in South Africa, I moved to Taiwan. During eight years in Taiwan, I taught English to young learners and adults. Wanting to further develop my teaching skills, I moved to Vietnam in 2011. I have taught at all levels at RMIT – from Elementary to Advanced. We follow a communicative, student-centered approach. In a lot of activities, students work in groups and pairs to communicate with each other in English. I love getting to know the students’ unique personalities.

Isabella van Staden
Senior Educator

I’ve been an English teacher for about eight years. I started my career in South Korea and moved to Vietnam in 2015. I joined RMIT in 2016. For a variety of reasons, I’ve really enjoyed working here. Firstly, we have highly professional and dedicated educators who prioritise their students’ needs. Secondly, the learning environment is dynamic and exciting because we use a variety of teaching methods to engage students. Getting to know the young people in my classroom fuels my passion for teaching. I look forward to meeting many more!

James Barnett
Senior Educator
Our campuses offer world-class facilities. Modern classrooms, purpose-built lecture theatres, studios, laboratories and other specialist spaces provide the perfect setting for you to thrive.

Staying fit while studying is also made easier, with modern sport and recreational facilities at our Saigon South and Hanoi campuses. At Saigon South, such facilities include a gym, indoor courts, tennis courts, basketball court and football fields. Students in Hanoi have access to a gym with the latest training equipment.

Our library is an important resource for English students. RMIT University offers the largest English-language library in Vietnam. Plus, you can access our extensive online library resources. A large range of electronic books is available for English comprehension activities.

**400,000 books, periodicals, e-books and e-journals.**

You will have access to comprehensive learning support services, including one-to-one learning and language support, peer-to-peer study advice and group study sessions. You can also attend a range of additional workshops to develop your academic skills.

For students with disabilities and learning difficulties, dedicated support services aim to provide equal access and opportunity.
Our campuses embrace diversity and inclusiveness, and provide endless opportunities to network and make new friends. We support more than 60 student clubs across a number of academic, cultural, sports and social interests. They provide opportunities to meet like-minded people, gain new skills and develop your interests. Many of our students take part in the English Club’s activities.

University life is not always serious! There is plenty of fun, colour and action. You can get involved in a range of activities and events, such as our International Festival, which celebrates international diversity, and leadership camps.

Before I joined RMIT’s English for University, I wasn’t confident with spoken English. But, now, because I’ve spent time with native English teachers, I have no hesitation in speaking English. My vocabulary has increased. We use games such as Kahoots and Scattergories to revise what we learn in class. Vocabulary size is definitely the skill that I’ve developed the most, along with my fluency in English. Studying English at RMIT gives big results with less effort. I enjoy the classes. I love the warm-up games! They get your brain functioning in a fun way.

I love all aspects of the English for University course. The lessons are great and intensive. The teachers are wonderful. The activities are interesting. You study four hours a day, five days a week, and there are 10 weeks for each English level. So it’s a wonderful chance to improve your English. I had studied English for 10 years before I applied for RMIT University. So I had good grammar, but my speaking skills were poor. I used to hesitate when talking to other people, especially foreigners. I also used wrong verbs and tenses, and I couldn’t apply lexis in speaking. However, after three courses at RMIT, I overcame the problems and was ready to join a master’s program.
How to join English for University

1. **Book a placement test**
   To book a placement test and to receive updated information about commencement dates, contact a Program Advisor on:
   - HCMC: (84) 28 3776 1369
   - Hanoi: (84) 24 3726 1460

2. **Take a placement test**
   The English placement test includes a writing essay and a face-to-face speaking test with a specialist language assessor. The total test time is one hour. Results are valid for six months.

3. **Join us!**
   Receive your results right after the test, along with an official offer letter welcoming you to join English at RMIT!

Approximate entry equivalency:

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Tuition

For information about tuition fees, visit: [www.mit.edu.vn](http://www.mit.edu.vn)

Mark your calendar

You can choose to start your English studies on any of these nine different entry dates:

- **January 2019**: 7
- **March 2019**: 4
- **April 2019**: 8
- **May 2019**: 20
- **July 2019**: 1
- **August 2019**: 5
- **September 2019**: 16
- **October 2019**: 21
- **November 2019**: 25
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