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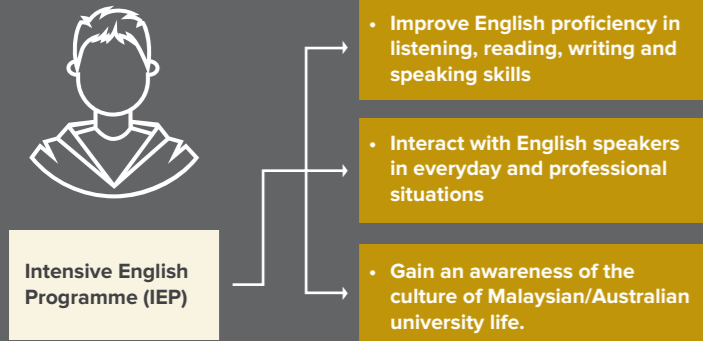
***Intensive English
Programme
course guide***

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Intensive english programme



The mission of the Intensive English Programme (IEP) at Curtin University Malaysia is to prepare students for university study in English by assisting students to improve their written and spoken English.

The IEP is committed to maintaining professional teaching and administrative staff and to following ethical standards in all areas. The IEP is also dedicated to establishing supportive lecturer-student relationships, fostering an atmosphere of openness among cultures, and collaborating with the Curtin University Malaysia community to serve all students. A placement test is administered to determine students' command of English. Based on the test results, students are placed at the appropriate IEP level.

The IEP consists of Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and Level 4. At each level, the course duration is minimum 10 weeks.

Intensive English programme level

Levels 1-2 (elementary – lower intermediate)

This level provides learners with the basics of English in grammar, reading, writing, speaking and listening. This track will be useful to all learners who want to improve their English communication skills no matter what their goals are for studying English.

Upon successful completion of this level, students will be able to:

- understand basic English sentence structures
- write simple and compound sentences using simple present and past tense
- read and understand ESL beginner passages
- speak on a variety of topics such as daily activities, plans, likes and dislikes, and past experiences
- use listening strategies to improve their listening comprehension
- develop their pronunciation, including English rhythm, intonation, consonant sounds and vowel sounds.

Level 3 (intermediate)

Students continue to develop fluency and accuracy. Course work focuses on comprehensive skills as well as academic preparation skills, including the fundamentals of essay writing and the development of critical reading and listening skills.

Upon successful completion of this level, students will be able to:

- practice speaking and listening for practical and academic conversational situations
- listen and respond to simple ESL lectures on academic topics
- give 4-6 minute presentations and participate in a variety of speaking tasks using simple present, past, and future tenses.



Level 4 (advanced)

At this level, students will focus on vocabulary expansion, pronunciation, advanced grammar structures, and extensive reading and writing.

Upon successful completion of this level, students will be able to:

- develop skills, strategies and vocabulary for reading academic passages
- develop summarising and critical thinking skills
- understand university-style lectures or talks
- write descriptive reports and essays using academic requirement norms.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Intensive English Programme, students will be able to:

- engage in spoken communication in a variety of contexts using correct pronunciation and intonation
- develop skills and strategies for reading academic and non-academic texts
- produce clear and coherent written texts
- demonstrate use of correct grammatical structures and vocabulary in spoken and written contexts.



Life at Curtin

On campus

You can find almost everything you need on our campus, including a choice of food outlets, ATM machines, campus bookshop, convenience shop, health and first aid centre, and a mousallah.

You will also have access to our campus recreation and sporting facilities which include an indoor basketball court, badminton courts, gym facilities; football field, rugby field, cricket batting pitch, outdoor basketball court, tennis courts, and a multi purpose hall for volleyball and indoor futsal/ floorball games. For joggers, a custom-made jogging track lines the campus' picturesque lakes.

The city's major commercial areas and popular recreation spots are accessible via services from the neighbourhood bus stops or via e-hailing services.

Shuttle service

Free shuttle buses on and off campus accommodation operate between the campus, the city centre, and the student housing. Students can also connect to the public transportation services within their accommodation areas.

Student clubs and activities

Our student clubs cater to a wide range of interests, including academic, social, sports, spiritual and recreation. Currently there are over 30 student clubs and voluntary student organisations on campus. There are also student-run organisations such as Curtin volunteers!, that give students, staff and the community an opportunity to be jointly involved in various community projects and leadership and entrepreneurship initiatives.



Accommodation to suit your needs

If you need a place to stay, we can help you find accommodation either on or off our campus. Safe, comfortable and modern accommodation is available to suit a range of budgets.

Curtin Malaysia currently has four student accommodation options: Kingfisher 1-9 (within the campus) and Curtin Water II (in the immediate neighbourhood).

Alternatively, Housing Services can assist you to arrange private accommodation close to the campus. Rental will vary depending on the type of accommodation and location.

On-campus accommodation

Our on-campus accommodation is a popular way to stay close to the campus and reap all the benefits. Due to high demand, we recommend you apply for student housing as soon as you apply to study at Curtin Malaysia. For more information,

visit accommodation.curtin.edu.my



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