Insessional courses are available to all Overseas and EU students. The courses are free, but each student is limited to a maximum of 3 courses in Term 1.

The following courses will be available:

**Writing courses**

**Introduction to Academic Writing (3 weeks x 1.5 hrs) X1WI3**
The basic aspects of academic writing (students who have completed a Presessional course do not need this course)

**Academic Writing: Planning an Assignment (6 weeks* x 1.5 hrs) X1WA6**
Planning and organising academic assignments; avoiding plagiarism; maintaining relevance; etc. (students who have completed a Presessional course should not need to take this course)

**Academic Writing: Synthesising Sources (6 weeks* x 1.5 hrs) X1WB6**
Academic style, using other writers’ ideas to building an argument, developing your own ‘voice’ and a critical approach

**Academic Writing: Grammatical Accuracy (6 weeks* x 1.5 hrs) X1WG6**
Working on accuracy in grammatical aspects of academic writing

**Academic Writing: Achieving Clarity (6 weeks* x 1.5 hrs) X1WC6**
Focussing on conveying complex meaning more precisely (students attending this module should have a writing level equivalent to or higher than IELTS 6.5)

**Academic Writing: Sociology & Social Policy (6 weeks* x 1.5 hrs) X1WQ6**
For students (especially Postgraduate) writing in the area of sociology.

**Academic Writing: Science and Engineering (6 weeks* x 1.5 hrs) X1WS6**
For students who need to write technical essays and reports.

* Due to the high demand for writing courses, during Term 1, students can only choose one 6-week writing course (those in this box). If you book more than one, we will remove your name from the second one.

**Research Writing (9 weeks x 1.5 hrs) X1WR9**
For MPhil, PhD and Masters by Research students only. Planning, organisation and language use in writing a PhD thesis, progress report or other aspects of MPhil/PhD work
Speaking Courses

Academic Discussion Skills (5 weeks/4 weeks x 1.5 hrs) X1SD5/4
Practice in expressing your ideas in seminar group discussion. Focus on confidence building, strategies and language

Effective Academic Presentations (5 weeks/4 weeks x 1.5 hrs) X1SS5/4
Strategies, useful language for and practice in delivering a seminar presentation (students who have completed a Presessional course should not take this course)

DABE Studio Presentations (4 weeks x 2 hrs) X1BE4
Strategies, useful language for and practice in delivering studio presentations and responding to criticism (only for students in the Department of Architecture and Built Environment)

Social Conversation (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1SC9
Focus on communicating in social and informal situations

Improving Pronunciation (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1SP9
Focus on producing individual sounds and using weak forms and stress appropriately, according to the needs of the group

Other Courses

Listening: Academic Focus (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1LA9
Strategies for, and help with understanding spoken English in academic situations, such as lectures and seminars

Listening: Social Focus (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1LB9
Strategies for, and help with understanding spoken English in non-academic situations, and with listening to non-standard accents

Effective Academic Reading (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1RS9
Reading efficiently, extracting information, note making, engaging critically with academic texts

Grammar Review (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1GA9
Focus on practising key areas of difficulty in grammar, for speaking as well as writing

Academic Vocabulary Skills (9 weeks x 1 hr) X1VA9
Strategies for improving and expanding knowledge of key academic vocabulary

Sutton Bonington Language Support 1 (9 weeks x 1.5 hrs) X1SB9
Focus on addressing the needs (mainly scientific writing) of Sutton Bonington students who may have difficulty in attending modules in University Park

Further details about all of these courses will be available through Central Short Courses from September 30th, 2019 at: https://training.nottingham.ac.uk/