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ELTC in-sessional programmes and services: what is available during your degree?

English Language Teaching Centre (ELTC)



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English Language Teaching Centre (ELTC)

ELTC teaches and supports several thousand students a year on a range of general, pre-sessional and in-sessional programmes.

We have over 100 year-round teachers and 20 administrative and support staff.

Our staff have experience of teaching in a wide range of locations and situations, both in the UK and overseas.

Image taken pre-Covid.



ELTC in-sessional support services

English Language Support (ELS and ELTCAS)

Departmental Language Programme (DLP)

Writing Advisory Service (WAS)

Spoken and Language Advisory Service (SLAS)

Doctoral Development Modules (PGR only)

Online resources

Reading techniques

English Language Development

Academic literacy

Structure and organisation of ideas

Technical communication skills

Critical thinking

Academic presentations

Dissertation writing

Report and thesis writing

Pronunciation of specific terminology

Academic conventions

Academic writing

General academic vocabulary

Assessment literacy

Information literacy

Why should I do these classes and access these services?

- Free to UoS students.
- Professional advice from highly qualified ELTC staff.
- Available throughout your studies.
- Opportunity to practise your English language and communication skills.
- Can be used within your My Skills portfolio.
- Regular support will help you improve your academic literacy.
- Online and in-person language and skills support available.
- Open to all UoS students.
- Feeds into the Graduate & Masters Graduate Attributes, or the PGR core competencies.

What is available and how much can I use?

- Academic Writing, Reading, Speaking & Listening → **English Language Support**
- Subject-specific & module-specific courses → **Department Language Programme**
- 1-2-1 help with your writing → **Writing Advisory Service**
- 1-2-1 help with your spoken English → **Spoken and Language Advisory Service**
- PGR specific courses → **Doctoral Development Programme**
- Online resources and webinars → **Web resources**

Example: A Social Sciences UG/PGT student could access over 90 hrs of support each year (~30 hrs DLP + 54 hrs ELS and ELTCAS + 10 WAS/SLAS)

English Language Support (ELS and ELTCAS)

- Interdisciplinary classes and workshops on a variety of topics (e.g. Pronunciation, Grammar)
- Useful for continued language learning
- Split into HASS and STEM where appropriate
- Run in S1 and S2
- Bookable through:
<https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc/els> and
<https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc/els/academic-sessions>



Departmental Language Programme (DLP)

- Classes organised with your department.
- Subject/module-specific & assignment support.
- A mixture of online resources and in person teaching.
- Bespoke to your course/modules/assignments.
- Included in your timetable – no sign up needed
- More information is available here <https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc/dlp>



Writing Advisory Service (WAS)

- One-to-one tutorials with ELTC academic writing experts.
- *Not* discipline-specific.
- Any stage of writing.
- *Not proofreading.*
- Bookable online through <https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc/was>



Spoken and Language Advisory Service (SLAS)

- One-to-one tutorials with ELTC teachers.
- *Not* discipline-specific.
- Practice and get feedback your spoken English.
- Ask general questions about your English.
- Bookable through <https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc/slas>



Doctoral Development Programme (DDP)

- Short courses available:
 - Writing your PhD thesis
 - Speaking skills for researchers
 - Academic writing (HASS/STEM)
 - Writing your PhD literature review
- Run once in S1 and again in S2
- 1:1 Viva tutorials
- Single workshops - confirmation reviews, abstracts
- Bookable through
<https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc/ddp>



Online resources for independent study

- Useful resources, practice materials and links
- Live/recorded sessions
- Faculty examples provided
- <https://eltc-language-resources.group.shef.ac.uk/>



Classes and courses

To register and find more information go to

<https://students.sheffield.ac.uk/eltc>



Online Writing Advisory Service (WAS)

Get personalised advice from specialist English language tutors on how to improve your writing skills, from spelling and grammar to the overall structure of your writing.

[Get help with your writing →](#)



Speaking and Language Advisory Service (SLAS)

In SLAS classes, you can get one-on-one help with presentation skills, speaking English and questions about language.

[Improve your English speaking skills →](#)



English Language Support (ELS) classes

We offer weekly classes and one-off sessions for you to improve your English language skills.

[Find out more about ELS classes →](#)

Departmental Language Programme (DLP)

Working with academic departments, we offer free, subject-specific classes for you to develop your academic English skills.

[Find out about the DLP](#)

Research training

As part of the Doctoral Development Programme (DDP), we run a set of modules to give you the English skills you need in your postgraduate research degree.

[Browse our DDP modules](#)

Academic Sessions

These short, varied sessions are run over a few weeks. They can help you with your English language and academic study skills.

[Take a look at our Academic Sessions](#)



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Thank you for listening!

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