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English for Academic Purposes (EAP) 2025

Thank you for your interest in the English for Academic Purposes (EAP) credit bearing course. Students, staff, and members of the public who want to improve their English public speaking and presentation skills, who find reading with comprehension challenging, or who find it difficult to write essays and assignments in an academic way, will find the EAP modules useful.

Who can apply?

Our EAP course is aimed at international and local students who do not speak English as a first language, but who are required to do an extensive amount of writing, reading and speaking in English for their academic courses. A minimum English language Advanced (CEFR C1) level is required.

What does the course include?

The EAP Programme consists of two modules.

EAP: Speaking & Listening: This module is intended to accomplish its goal with in-person or online delivery of two-hour sessions, once a week over the course of 10 weeks, accompanied by self-directed learning and digital classroom content.

EAP: Reading & Writing: This module is intended to accomplish its goal with in-person or online delivery of two-hour sessions, once a week over the course of 10 weeks, accompanied by self-directed learning using a recognised course book. Please note that the course book is not included in the course cost and should be purchased from Van Schaik's bookstore on campus prior to the start of the module. The course book details:

Academic English - Reading and Writing Across the Disciplines. Pearson. ISBN 9781787260849

What is the course schedule?

The EAP Programme consists of two modules. Participants can register for both or for one module only. Each EAP module is presented online for 2 hours, once a week over 10 weeks (2 hours per week; 20 hours per module). Both modules run twice a year.

Courses commence in the week of the start dates below.

Module name	Time	Duration	Price	Included
EAP: Reading & Writing	2-4pm (in-person or online)	10 February – 16 May 15 September – 6 December (approximate dates, we run one course per semester)	R3472	Digital notes
EAP: Speaking & Language	2-4pm (in-person or online)	10 February – 16 May 15 September – 6 December (approximate dates, we run one course per semester)	R3472	Digital notes

Please fill in this [link](#) to register your interest in the EAP short course modules. You will then be contacted and sent a link to register and pay for the short course.

EAP Speaking & Language objectives

To provide participants with the necessary public speaking and presentation skills that will enable them to participate confidently in lectures, peer and group work activities, and academic tasks where presentations are involved. Those wanting to improve their public speaking skills, to create

and present appropriate academic presentations including academic information, will find this course useful.

During this module you will develop your practical strategies to

- use spoken English in an academic context
- improve your public speaking skills
- plan, organise and write a speech for a presentation
- create visual presentations to enhance and accompany your speech
- acquire effective and appropriate speaking and presentation techniques
- evaluate speeches
- listen to a presentation for understanding and ask contextualised questions
- expand your vocabulary and grammar to use language appropriately in context

Module Outcomes

You will

- be guided to accomplish the goals set for this module through online sessions, with collaborative and self-study activities, by a qualified English language instructor
- have access to digital classroom material with practical application
- demonstrate your growth as a result of
 - your attendance and engagement in the weekly online sessions
 - online language quizzes
 - formal testing in the form of a final online presentation in the last week of the course
- use the skills and competencies acquired during the weekly sessions to perform optimally in your chosen academic context

EAP Reading & Writing objectives

To provide participants with the necessary transfer skills such as writing skills, critical thinking skills, research skills and problem-solving skills, which will enable them to participate in lectures and complete assignments. Students who find reading with comprehension challenging, or who find it difficult to write essays and assignments in an academic way, will find this course useful.

During the course you will develop your practical strategies to

- use English in an academic context
- read and summarise a variety of academic texts
- identify five different essay types
- build arguments and structure academic writing
- write, revise and edit a variety of academic texts

Module outcomes:

You will

- be guided to accomplish the goals set for this module through online sessions, with collaborative and self-study activities, by a qualified English language instructor
- use a prescribed course book with practical applications
- demonstrate your growth as a result of
 - your attendance and engagement during the weekly online sessions and
 - formal testing in the form of two written assignments during the module
- use the skills and competencies acquired during this module to perform optimally in your chosen academic context

***Please note that the course book for the EAP: Reading & Writing module is not included in the price and should be purchased from Van Schaik's bookstore on campus prior to the start of the module.**