

HEE English Language Programme



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To be eligible for admission onto a HEE funded English language course you must meet the following criteria:

- ❖ A current registration or licence with a recognised nursing body without restriction in the country in which you are qualified or have been practising.
- ❖ Currently working as a registered nurse or a minimum of six months' work experience as a registered nurse within the last 18 months.
- ❖ Have completed a programme at post-secondary level leading to registration as a general nurse.
- ❖ Have the required identity verification documents i.e. birth certificate or passport.
- ❖ You may need regular access to a computer or tablet with internet connection.
- ❖ Be committed to the HEE English language course commitment conditions.
- ❖ Be committed to coming to the United Kingdom to work as a nurse in the NHS.

In addition to these specific requirements, all applicants must be able to demonstrate sufficient competency in English language.

This is demonstrated by:

- ❖ Evidence of an IELTS/OET exam taken within the last 2 years with a minimum score of:
 - IELTS – 6.5 in reading, listening, and speaking, and 6.0 in writing
 - OET – C+ in reading, listening, and speaking, and C in writing

Those applicants who cannot evidence they meet the above English language entry requirements will be asked to sit two English language tests. Only those who meet

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the required score in each of these tests to be accepted onto the course:

- ❖ A rapid screening test with a minimum score of 433.

AND

- ❖ A baseline screening assessment with a score equivalent to-
IELTS – 6.5 in reading, listening, and speaking, and 6.0 in writing
OET – C+ in reading, listening, and speaking, and C in writing

Course Commitments

When you join the HEE English language course you are asked to commit to at least 20 hours per week of “study time”. This consists of a wide variety of activities, such as online tutor-led lessons, active online learning, assignments, and self-guided study. To demonstrate you meet these commitments you will be asked to pay a bond up to the value of 10,000 INR, which will be returned to you on achieving the following course commitment conditions regardless of the level of English language you achieve.

Course commitment conditions

- I will attend at least 90% of scheduled timetabled sessions.
- I will contribute actively in class.
- I will meet the minimum requirement of 20 hours per week study time.
- I will attend scheduled one to one personal tutorials.
- I will follow the advice of my personal teacher in respect of study skills and learning.
- I will undertake a further course of study if I am not successful on the first occasion.
- I will inform my teacher if I am unable to undertake the work as required and complete catch up work.

The cost of the course and an English language exam will be funded by HEE.

Once the course has been completed candidates will be expected to apply to HEE’s Global Learners Programme, attend an interview with an NHS Hospital (via Skype) and come and work as a registered nurse in the United Kingdom. You can find out more about Global Learners Programme here; <https://glp.hee.nhs.uk/>.