What our students say about the Pre-Sessionals...



"The Pre-Sessional English Programme was a great experience for me. I made several presentations, took academic lectures and improved my essay skills. The style of academic study is different from my country, so it was a good opportunity for me to get used to it before starting my main course of study." (Maki Yoshie. Pre-Sessional Student)

"The Pre-Sessional course enables students to get onto the LLM programme as smoothly as possible. Students are introduced to the university facilities, have a chance to get to know other LLM students and, what is most important, they learn how to do research and write essays." (Sergii Grekov. Pre-Sessional Student, Law Pathway)





"Welcome to Queen Mary and the Pre-Sessional!

During this programme, you'll not only acquire the skills and knowledge to achieve high marks in your future degrees, but you'll get to know new friends and explore London and Queen Mary as well. The Pre-Sessional is your passport to success, and we look forward to working with you this summer."

Kathryn Richardson, Chair of the Language Centre

Exciting new lecture programme for 2015



The guest lecture programme, which is designed to provide Pre-Sessional students with extensive listening and note-taking practice, will feature a number of highly-regarded academics from Queen Mary and elsewhere.



In 2015, our guest lecturers include Professor Richard Ashcroft (top left), Professor of Biomedical Ethics at Queen Mary; and Dr Sadhvi Dar (left) from the School of Business and Management, who will be lecturing on Corporate Social Responsibility.

A unique and innovative learning environment

On our Pre-Sessional, we make use of innovative approaches to teaching and learning. Using multimedia language labs and our tailor-made online resource of elearning materials "Academic English Online" (http://aeo.sllf.gmul.ac.uk/), we aim to provide you with an engaging and varied learning environment. As students with us, you will also have full access to our virtual learning environment, QM Plus, where you will be able to watch our lecture programme again.









Facts and Figures

In 2014, the highest ever number of students enrolled on the Queen Mary Pre-Sessional.

Of those who completed the course, 98% were recommended for progression to their chosen Schools at Queen Mary.

Student feedback on the 2014 Pre-Sessional informed us that:

94% had achieved a good understanding of how to write an essay;

93% had achieved a good understanding of how to refer to other writers' work;

90% had been encouraged to think for themselves.

Upon completion of their final degrees at Queen Mary, the 2013 Pre-Sessional students attained the following results:

55% achieved a Distinction or a Merit, 44% achieved a Pass, and only 1% failed.