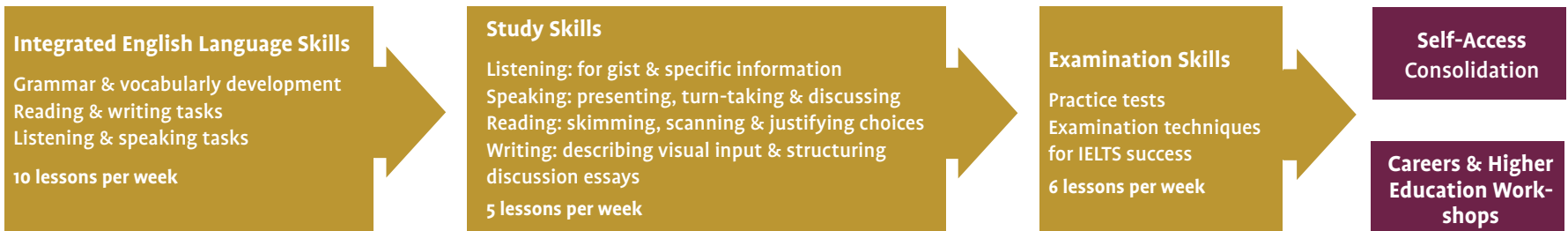


University Foundation Course overview

Preparation for IELTS

September entry

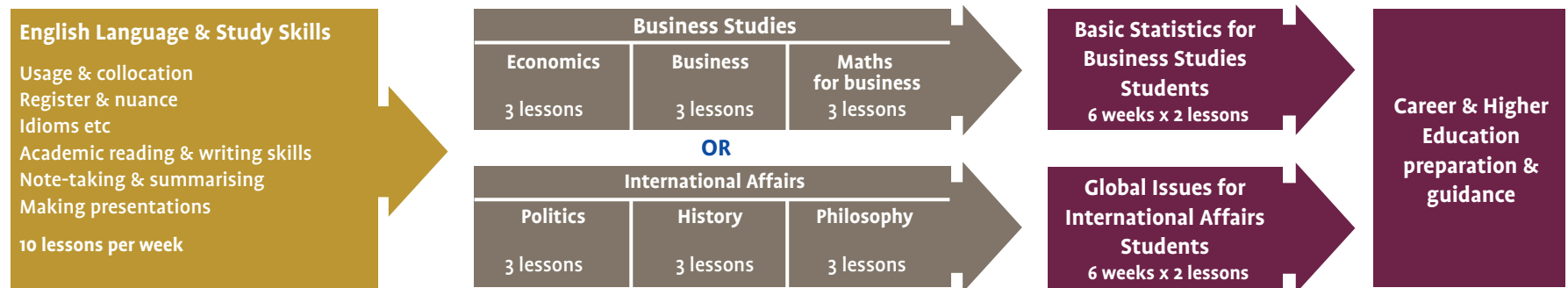
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Preparation for University

October entry

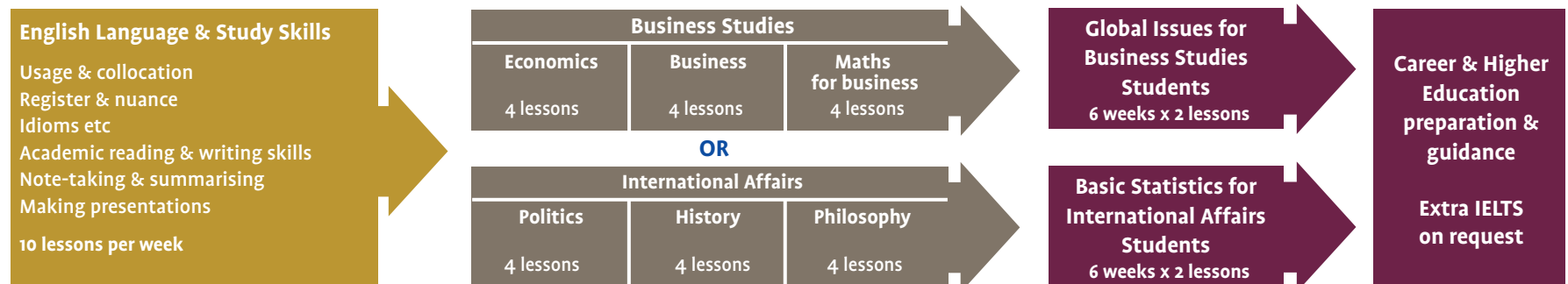
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Preparation for University

January

21 weeks



Preparing for university or your future studies

University Foundation Course

Age: 17+
Level: Intermediate+

This programme is aimed at students who wish to:

- prepare and apply for an undergraduate course in the UK
- prepare for study at any other university where undergraduate courses are taught in English
- improve their English and study skills and acquiring subject knowledge in preparation for future studies

Entry requirements for the Foundation Course

Before you enrol you must:

- have completed Secondary Education in your own country
- be 17 years of age or over
- have a proven knowledge of English as follows:

for **September entry** – IELTS* 5.0 or equivalent
(Equivalent = B1/B2 Common European Framework)

for **late October/early November entry** – IELTS* 5.5 or equivalent
(Equivalent = B2 Common European Framework)

*International English Language Testing System



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University Foundation
Course
Belgium

“I think St. Clare’s is awesome and different from other schools. The teaching, facilities and extra-curricular activities are all excellent – I feel privileged to have studied here.”

Course structure

The course has two main pathways:

English for Academic
Purposes (EAP)

+

Academic subjects

1. English Language pathway

From September to October the primary focus is on improving your IELTS score. This examination is recognised worldwide by more than 4,500 institutions in 120 countries.

Classes take place over 21 lessons per week in small groups (max 12). The programme includes integrated language skills and examination practice in preparation for the IELTS examination.

From late October the focus shifts. English classes (10 lessons per week) concentrate on more advanced EAP and the study skills required at university: researching, referencing, paragraphing, developing arguments and similar skills that will help with your academic subjects.

2. Academic subject pathway

From late October the academic subject programme begins. There are two broad streams:

Business Stream Subjects

Business
Studies

+

Mathematics
for business

+

Economics

or

International Affairs Stream Subjects

Philosophy

+

Politics

+

20th Century
History

Classes take place over 3 or 4 lessons per week for each subject as shown opposite. You are taught at pre-university level by subject specialists who bring the benefits of the latest research in their own areas of expertise. Your final grade is based on a combination of course assessments and final examinations and is externally moderated.

Careers and Higher Education advice

You are supported by the team at St. Clare’s which oversees your personal welfare and academic progress. Our Careers and Higher Education Adviser provides comprehensive advice and personal guidance throughout your course and supports you in selecting the right university for you.

University success

The **Business Stream** can lead to a university course in Business, Management, Economics, Travel and Tourism, Hotel Management and related areas.

The **International Affairs Stream** can lead to a university course in Politics, International Relations, Law, Sociology, Social Anthropology, Psychology, Philosophy and many others.

Sample Timetable

Lesson 1	Language development ‘Global issues in the media’	English teacher
Lesson 2	e-learning skills	
Lunch	Mingle with friends in the college dining room	
Lesson 3	Academic Subject ‘Effective Marketing’	Subject teachers
Lesson 4	‘Culture Wars in 1960s America’	
Self-study	Consolidation tasks	
Activities	Join in the programme of regular college events	

The benefits for you:

- ✓ IELTS 6.5+ by the end of the course
- ✓ research and study skills transferable to university
- ✓ entry to university in the UK, USA or other country where undergraduate courses are taught in English