



# Pre-Master's Programme in Computing and IT

EPFS PMP – 32 Weeks





## Introduction

This Pre-Master's Programme in Computing and IT is designed to prepare students for a master's degree in computer science and information technology. The programme is designed to bridge the gaps in academic preparation, improve English language skills, and prepare students for advanced studies in areas like data science, cybersecurity, software engineering and more.

The programme includes modules to enhance English language proficiency, particularly for international students, and provide guidance for gaining skills in using English for academic purposes. The programme also incorporates modules focused on research methods, critical thinking, analytical skills.

A typical day for students will include three hours of classroom instruction which includes foundational training in business studies and language skills guided by expert teachers and one hour of academic skills training, where they learn and implement learned skills.

Students will also be assigned on a research project where they will learn higher order skills and for final assessment will submit a report on their research and conclusions accompanied by a presentation or an oral discussion with the examiners.

<b>Course name</b>	<b>COMP_PMP_32 Weeks</b>				
<b>Delivery location</b>	<b>EP College Locations</b> (Eg. UK, Dubai, Toronto, Ireland and Berlin), university partner premises				
<b>Delivery format</b>	<b>Classroom or Blended online</b>				
<b>Course content</b>	<p><b>The course consists of three modules:</b></p> <table> <tr> <td><b>Semester 1</b></td> <td><b>Semester 2</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to computing</li> <li>• English for academic purposes (EAP)</li> <li>• Research methods</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emerging technologies</li> <li>• Advanced EAP</li> <li>• Research project</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>	<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to computing</li> <li>• English for academic purposes (EAP)</li> <li>• Research methods</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emerging technologies</li> <li>• Advanced EAP</li> <li>• Research project</li> </ul>
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<b>Admission requirements</b>	<p>Completion of an undergraduate degree or equivalent from an accredited university.</p> <p>Destination university may have specific academic requirements.</p>				
<b>Target exit level</b>	<p>Minimum 6.0 IELTS equivalent and pass grades in all course assessments.</p> <p><i>Note: Individual partner universities may have specific grade criteria to satisfy entry.</i></p>				
<b>Duration (for completion of programme)</b>	32 weeks – approx. 18 hours per week.				
<b>Progression</b>	<p>Upon successfully completing the course, students will receive an EP certificate confirming the academic English level reached, and an assessment record detailing final grades.</p> <p><i>Note: Students may be required to take an approved English test such as TOEFL, Person or IELTS, depending on the admission policy of the destination university.</i></p>				

# Course learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to

## Knowledge and understanding



- Engage critically with complex academic texts using advanced reading strategies (eg. skimming, scanning, inferring, synthesising information).
- Produce clear, coherent academic writing using appropriate styles, structures, and conventions (eg. hedging, referencing, signposting).
- Communicate ideas effectively and participate confidently in academic discussions, seminars, and presentations, demonstrating clarity, fluency, and audience awareness.

## Academic skills



- Produce well-structured, evidence-based academic research reports that follow appropriate academic conventions.
- Respond constructively to feedback, identifying areas for improvement and integrating changes into future work.
- Plan and deliver structured academic presentations with clarity, logical flow, and effective use of visual aids.

## Critical thinking and research



- Distinguish between fact, opinion, and bias, and critically assess the credibility and relevance of sources.
- Apply accurate referencing and citation techniques consistently across a range of academic formats.
- Demonstrate understanding of research methodology and apply critical and analytical thinking to interpret data and present well-reasoned conclusions.

## Communication and collaboration



- Engage proactively in academic discussions, group tasks, and collaborative activities, demonstrating respect for diverse perspectives and effective interpersonal skills.
- Adapt language and register appropriately for a range of academic communication contexts, including group discussions, email correspondence, and peer feedback.
- Demonstrate leadership, initiative, and accountability when contributing to collaborative academic projects and problem-solving tasks.

## Independent learning and reflection



- Apply effective self-reflection and independent learning strategies to monitor progress, set goals, and take responsibility for academic development.
- Critically evaluate personal learning strategies and make informed adjustments to improve academic performance and autonomy.
- Seek out and utilise appropriate academic resources (eg. journals, databases, support services) to enhance subject knowledge and skill development.

## Get in touch.



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