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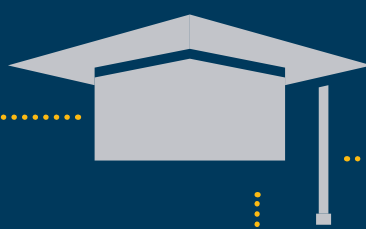
IELTS

The International English Language Testing System

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About the IELTS

IELTS is an English proficiency test that assesses the level of those who want to study or work where English is used as the language of communication. It is one of the most widely accepted English language proficiency tests, with 3 million tests taken each year. The IELTS tests all of your English language skills — reading, writing, listening, and speaking — and is designed to reflect real-life use of English — at study, at work, and at play. For admission to AUA, the IELTS Academic is one of two accepted tests allowing applicants to meet their proof of English language proficiency.

Please note that your IELTS Academic score is valid for 2 years from the date you take the test.

Where and when can I take the IELTS Academic?

The British Council in Armenia offers the IELTS test a few times a month. The Listening, Reading, and Writing sections of the test will be completed on the same day. The speaking test will take place on a different day from the other sections of the test, in a 7-day window before or after the main test day. The cost of taking the test is **97,000 AMD**. To book your IELTS test, visit **britishcouncil. am/en/exam/ielts/book-test**. Test score results are typically issued 13 calendar days after the test. The Test Report Forms (TRF) can be sent directly to up to 5 institutions electronically, free of charge, if you state the names of these institutions at the time of registration. Please pay attention to the test location(s) of your exam when registering for the test.

For select international students, there is also the option of taking the IELTS Indicator Exam. IELTS Indicator is an online test that can be taken from the comfort and safety of your home. The Indicator test is available for a limited time due to the ongoing COVID-pandemic. For more information, visit ieltsindicator.com.

What format is the IELTS Academic?

At the time of registration, you can choose whether you want to take your IELTS Academic test on paper or on a computer.

The **paper-based version** offers Listening, Reading, and Writing sections on a paper, while the Speaking section is carried out on a separate date face-to-face with a trained IELTS examiner.

The **computer-delivered version** allows you to take the Listening, Reading and Writing sections from a computer. The Speaking test will remain face to face with a trained IELTS examiner, typically on a different day. Scores for this version are typically available 3-5 days after your test date.

How can I prepare for the IELTS Academic?

There are a number of ways to prepare for the IELTS test. You can learn on your own through online videos, classes, preparation books and more. The British Council offers a popular online course, *Road to IELTS* which provides, 10 hours of free online resources to help you prepare for the Listening, Reading, Writing, and Speaking tests, as well as tips from previous candidates and teachers, all with instant feedback on your performance. The course is available at **www. britishcouncil.am/en/exam/ielts/ prepare**. After you register for the test, you will receive an additional 30 hours of learning material. You may also purchase the Road to IELTS: Full Version.

You can also use the test preparation study guides available at the AGBU Papazian Library (40 Baghramyan Avenue, AUA Main Building) and the Avetik Isahakyan Library (4/1 Nalbandyan Street). AUA's Open Education also provides IELTS Academic preparatory courses regularly throughout the year. These courses strengthen your test-taking skills by preparing you for all four components of the IELTS Academic Exam.

Registering for the IELTS Academic test:

1. Go to **ieltsregistration.britishcouncil.org/test-chooser** and click on 'Book IELTS Academic'.

2. Under the 'Choose a country / territory to sit the test in' field choose 'Armenia' (or the country where you would like to take your test) from the drop-down menu and click on 'Continue booking'.

3. You will be redirected to a different page where you will need to select 'IELTS Academic' and choose 'Yerevan' for your city.

4. In the 'Find a test' page, select which format IELTS test you would like to take.

5. Select 'Show me all dates' and click on 'Search for tests'.

6. Carefully observe the list and save the date of the day most suitable for you to take the test. Once you decide on the date, select 'Book for 97,000 AMD'.

7. Create an account with British Council, by filling in your personal data. Carefully read and sign the

'Terms and Conditions', select that you have read and agreed to them, then press 'save and continue'.

8. Select your Identification Type that you will be taking with you on your test day and fill out the information. Attach a scan of your passport/ID in PDF, JPG, PNG, JPEG, or GIF format. File must not be larger than 5MB. Click on 'Save and Continue'.

9. Fill out the 'Your Profile' section.

10. Please check all the details carefully before you book your test. Carefully read and sign the

'Terms and Conditions', select that you have read and agreed to them.

11. Click on 'Book & Pay Now' to pay with a payment card or click on 'Book now, Pay Later' for additional payment options.

12. If you would like your test results to be sent to the American University of Armenia, visit your account and click on 'Results'. From there click on 'Edit these organizations' and 'create' to add in AUA.

13. Select '**Armenia**' from the 'Choose a country / territory' field. **The American University of Armenia** - Office of Admissions will appear in the dropdown menu and save.