## THE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

## **Summer Programme – Course Information**

**Course Title** : "Foundation IELTS Speaking and Writing Skills" Workshop

Department: CLEContact Hours: 20Medium of Instruction: English

## **Course Synopsis:**

This series of five workshops is designed to help learners understand the test formats of the IELTS Speaking and Writing Test (Module A) and equip them with essential test-taking strategies. This programme will introduce the skills to help learners to perform more confidently when attempting IELTS Speaking and Writing test.

### **Course Intended Learning Outcomes:**

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

- 1. Understand IELTS (Module A) Speaking and Writing Test formats and assessment standards
- 2. Use test-taking strategies to develop responses in IELTS Speaking Test
- 3. Structure IELTS Writing Task 1 and Task 2 coherently to fulfil the Task requirements

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### Test-Taking Strategies and Skills for Writing and Speaking Papers

- Test-management strategies e.g. time-keeping/allocation, selecting a response
- Test wiseness strategies e.g. using knowledge about the test format and its peripherals
- Skills to organise ideas more coherently
- Skills to present ideas more effectively

### Language Learning Strategies for Writing and Speaking Skills

- Cognitive strategies e.g. reasoning, analysis, note-taking, summarising, synthesizing, outlining
- Metacognitive strategies e.g. identifying one's own learning styles and needs, planning for and evaluating success of a task, gathering and organizing materials, monitoring mistakes
- Compensatory strategies e.g. guessing from context, using synonyms, using gestures
- Social strategies e.g. asking for clarification, asking for help, talking with a native-speaking conversation person, exploring socio-cultural norms

## **Assessment:**

Assessment Tasks (e.g. project, quiz, video/audio recording of oral work, written work, etc.)	Weighting
NA	

# Resources (e.g. journal articles, readings, websites, etc.):

1. Online learning resources (apps, websites, self-study software) on CLE's website: <a href="http://www.eduhk.hk/cle/en/language\_enhancement\_programme/english\_programme/english\_enhancement\_programme">http://www.eduhk.hk/cle/en/language\_enhancement\_programme/english\_programme/english\_enhancement\_programme</a>

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