

PRE-INTERMEDIATE AUSTRALIAN ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSE

1. **Course Details.** The following extract from the Course Curriculum provides some information on the course that you will be attending at DITC. Should you require more information, please contact wilditcarrivals@defence.gov.au.
 - a. **Title.** Pre-Intermediate Australian English Language Course (PIAELC).
 - b. **Aim.** To prepare you linguistically, culturally and academically for participation in training or employment requiring:
 - (1) intermediate level of proficiency in the English language (ADFELPS 5)
 - (2) initial level digital literacy and study skills
 - (3) group and individual communication skills.
2. **Description.** The PIAELC major focus' is to develop the language skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, whilst 21st century learning skills including digital literacy and learner training will also be included. There will also be a focus on foundation level academic skills, exam-taking practice and preparation, in addition to whole-class activities that extend language learnt.
3. **Duration.** 11 weeks (which could extend to 12 weeks if there are a significant number of Australian public holidays).
4. **Prerequisite Qualifications or Assessments.** Prior to attending this course you must have:
 - a. a minimum ADFELPS levels of S4, L4, R4, W4; and
 - b. completed the Australian Reception Period Course.
5. **Course Learning Outcomes.** On completion of the course, you will be able to achieve the following:
 - a. demonstrate a variety of English speaking skills commensurate with achieving ADFELPS level 5
 - b. demonstrate a variety of English listening skills commensurate with achieving ADFELPS level 5
 - c. demonstrate a variety of English reading skills commensurate with achieving ADFELPS level 5
 - d. demonstrate a variety of English writing skills commensurate with achieving ADFELPS level 5

6. **Assessment.** There will be ongoing formative testing, and a final end-of-course achievement test. The expectation is that the assessment should show an increase to ADFELPS level 5 in all four macro-skills (speaking, listening, reading and writing).
7. **Course Activities.** During the course, you will undertake a variety of learning activities. You will be provided with a complete program at the start of your course. Some of the activities that you will be involved in include study tours and field trips to significant Australian military, social and cultural sites. These visits are intended to practice teamwork and associated military skills, extend your English language skills and your understanding of Australian military and civilian cultures.
8. **Excess Baggage.** PIAELC course students are not entitled to of excess baggage.
9. **Additional Base Access.** The PIAELC course is conducted at RAAF Williams Laverton with no additional base access required.
10. **BYOD.** If you own a laptop, please bring this with you to use to complete some of your coursework.
11. **Dress.** For the majority of the course, uniforms (camouflage or similar) will be worn. On Day 1 and on graduation and on any order of the CO, service dress uniform will be required.