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## List of national and international tests deemed by Kent to meet B2

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Qualification	Undergraduate minimum discretion level (if different)	Undergraduate Stage 1 Entry
International Baccalaureate Diploma		English higher A1/A2/B at 4/5/5/ or English standard at 5/6/6 (out of 7 maximum)
European Baccalaureate	6.5 written English 1st lang 7.0 written English 2nd lang 7.5 written English 3rd lang	7.0 - written English (First language) 7.5 - written English (Second language) 8.0 - written English (Third language)
Austria		1 (Sehr Gut) in Maturazeugnis/Reifezeugnis
Canada		OSSD (Ontario Secondary School Diploma) U or UC/grade 12 English at 75%)
Caribbean		Grade 1 in English CSEC (Caribbean Examinations Council Secondary Education Certificate (taken after 1997) (see note c)
Denmark Studentereksamen	9 in final English	10 in final examination English (13 maximum)
Eire Irish leaving Certificate (Ardeistimeireacht)		ILC ordinary English at C3 OR ILC higher English at D3 (A1 maximum)
Finland Ylioppilastutkintodistus (Matriculation certificate)	5	6 or E (eximia cum laude approbatur) (7 maximum)
France Baccalaureat General (French Baccalaureat)		12.5 in written English (out of 20 maximum)
French Option International du Baccalaureate (OIB) American and English versions only.		10.0 in written English (American and English bilingual versions only)
Germany Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife (aka Abitur)		11 in Leistungskurse (LK English)
Hong Kong AS level Use of English	D	C (A is maximum)
Kenya Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)	C	C (A is maximum)
India Standard XII (12) and standard X(10) Grade required varies depending on a) exam board b) level of qualification (standard X/XII c) English medium tuition. See datasheet for full details		Standard XII English language medium teaching 55%* Standard X English language medium teaching 70%* Standard XII other schools 65%* Standard X other schools 80%* *CBSE, CISCE/ISC, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Gurjarat boards ONLY
Luxembourg Diplome de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires		43 in English (out of 60 maximum)
Malaysia SPM syllabus 322 (f)	3A	2A

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Malaysia SPM syllabus 121 (f)	B (4/3)	B (4/3) Malaysia SPM's
Malaysia syllabus 1119 (e and f)	6C	6C
Netherlands Diploma Vorebereidend wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO)		8.0 (out of 10 maximum)
Nigeria Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination WAEC/NECO examinations	N/A	C6 or C or 6 depending on grading system (A1 maximum)
Norway Videregående opplæring Vitnemal (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)	4	5 (out of 6 maximum)
Scotland	SCE standard/ordinary English at 3	SCE standard/ordinary English at 3
Scotland	SCE Higher English C	SCE higher English at C
South Africa Senior Certificate (taught in English medium) (b) to 2008	B	A
Sweden Fullständigt Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskolen (FSG)		FSG English at MVG (Mycket val godkänd)
Uganda Ugandan Certificate of Education (UCE)	1-6	1-6
United Kingdom GCSE	C	C (A maximum)
UK International GCSE (iGCSE) English as a first language	C	C (A maximum)
UK International GCSE (iGCSE) English as a second language	C	B (A maximum)
UK Key Skills Communication level 3 (not accepted for non-UK students) (g)	Pass	Pass (pass/fail grading system)
UK O level (usually Cambridge/CIE board) (e)	C	C
USA High School Diploma	C in grade 11 or /12 English Lit/English	B in English/English Literature at grade 11 or 12

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Name of Test	Level Required		
	B2	B2-C1	C1
	5.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	6.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	7.0 (min 5.5 in all sections)
Pearson Test of English (PTE)	59 (min 59 in all skills)	62 (min 59 in all skills)	76 (min 59 in all skills)
IBTOEFL	87	94 (min 21 listening, 22 reading, 23 speaking 21 writing)	100 (min 21 listening, 22 reading, 23 speaking 21 writing)
TOEFL Paper based	570	587	610
TOEIC	Listening 400, reading 385, speaking 160 writing 150		Listening 490, reading 455, speaking 180 writing 180
Cambridge Advanced Test (CAE)	B	B	A
Cambridge Proficiency Test (CPE)	C	C	B
Test of English for Educational Purposes (TEEP)	6.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	6.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	7.0 (min 5.5 in all sections)
GCSE O Level delivered in England	Grade D/C	Grade C	Grade B
GCSE O Level delivered overseas	D/C English language/literature		
GCSE AS Level delivered in England	E		
GCE AS level overseas	E English Language/literature		
GCE A Levels delivered in England	E	D	C
GCE A Levels Delivered overseas	E English language or literature		
GCE O Level	Grade C	Grade C	Grade B
IGCSE English	C	C	C
International Baccalaureate English A1 or A2 (Standard or Higher Level)	5	5	6
International Baccalaureate English B (Higher Level)	4	4	4



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European Baccalaureate (first or second language)	Level III	Level III	Level IV
Trinity ISE	82-83	82-83	84-87
Michigan (MELAB)	70 (no subset below 60)	70 (no subset below 60)	80 (no subset below 60)
Canadian Academic English language assessment	C	C	B
Hong Kong Use of English – AS Level	C6	C6	B3 (IELTS 7.5 equiv)
WABC SSCE/NECO Examinations	C1	C1	C1
International Legal English Certificate	65% (central/metro boards) 70% (state boards)	75% (central/metro boards) 80% (state boards)	75% (central/metro boards) 80% (state boards)
India – Standard XII	C		
Kenyan Certificate of Education	B in English/Eng Lit at grade 11 or 12		
US High School	8 credits and level 2 or higher in NCEA English; 4 credits must be in reading and 4 credits must be in writing		
NZ National Certificate of Education			



**UKBA Regulations: English Language Entry Levels for International Students**

**Effective : 21 April 2011**

**These regulations apply to all UK universities.**

**English levels are based on UKBA Regulations**

- English Language Levels:** All new international students for UG, PGT, PGR must now have evidence that they have reached CEFR level B2 in reading, writing, listening and speaking to enter a degree level programme at any UK university.
- SELT tests:** The evidence is through a Secure English Language Test (SELT – see link below) or KU assessment following a Pre-Sessional course, or (for continuing students) through assessment by the faculty.
- CEFR level B2 equates to IELTS 5.5, TOEFL IBT 87 and PTE 59 (with minimum scores for each skill – see Table 1)
- KU can continue to ask for IELTS 6.0, 6.5 etc overall scores just as before, but none of the component parts can be below 5.5
- The TOEFL IBT or PTE equivalents are shown below (eg 95 TOEFL IBT is equivalent to IELTS 6.0 and the students must score at least 22, 21, 23 21 in the components as indicated)
- Non SELT tests:** Qualifications including Indian Year 12 English (CBSE Board) at 70% or higher, West African Examinations Council at C6 or higher are accepted by UKBA as evidence of CEFR level B2.
- KU assessment of students:**  
Applicants - Kingston does not have its own secure in-house English test as yet and so all applicants for all courses (unless exempt by UKBA) must pass the appropriate Secure English Language test in order to obtain a visa. Based on the equivalencies below, IELTS is likely to produce the most satisfactory outcome.  
Pre-Sessional Students will be assessed by the KU English Language Development team at the end of the Pre-Sessional Course.  
Continuing students will be assessed based on successful completion of their programme so far.
- Students not meeting the KU English requirements:** Students who have not reached the required level can be directed towards the Pre-Sessional English course; the entry requirements are attached (Table 2)
- Record keeping:** The University is required to keep a record of the evidence of assessment for each student as part of its sponsor licence duties.
- Exemptions:** Students who are nationals of, or have obtained, a degree in a majority English speaking countries (MESC) are exempt from this requirement. The list of MESC is attached but does NOT include India, Nigeria or Pakistan (Table 3).

**Table 1: English equivalencies**

CEFR	IELTS	TOEFL IBT	PTE	TOEFL paper
C1	7.5 (min. *R,L,S,W=7.0)	115 (min. *R=28; L=26; S=28; W=28)	80 (min. *R,L,S,W=76)	<b>No longer accepted by UKBA</b>
<b>C1</b>	<b>7.0 (min. R,L,S,W=7.0)</b>	<b>110 (min. R=28; L=26; S=28; W=28)</b>	<b>76 (min. R,L,S,W=76)</b>	
B2	6.5 (min. R,L,S,W=5.5)	100 (min. R=22; L=21; S=23; W=21)	70 (min. R,L,S,W=59)	
B2	6.0 (min. R,L,S,W=5.5)	95 (min. R=22; L=21; S=23; W=21)	64 (min. R,L,S,W=59)	
<b>B2</b>	<b>5.5 (min. R,L,S,W=5.5)</b>	<b>87 (min. R=22; L=21; S=23; W=21)</b>	<b>59 (min. R,L,S,W=59)</b>	
B1	5.0 (min. R,L,S,W=4.0)	75 (min. R=8; L=13; S=19; W=17)	53 (min. R,L,S,W=43)	
B1	4.5 (min. R,L,S,W=4.0)	65 (min. R=8; L=13; S=19; W=17)	48 (min. R,L,S,W=43)	
<b>B1</b>	<b>4.0 (min. R,L,S,W=4.0)</b>	<b>57 (min. R=8; L=13; S=19; W=17)</b>	<b>43 (min. R,L,S,W=43)</b>	

\*R = Reading; L = Listening; S = Speaking; W = Writing

For all other English Language tests, refer to the UKBA list of approved test providers (6 Apr 2011):

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/newsfragments/45-new-list-of-english-language>

Or consult the Kingston University International Office or English Language Development team

**Table 2: Pre-Sessional English Entry Requirements – Effective 21 April 2011**

Pre-Sessional Course	Students requiring IELTS 6.0 equivalent (min *R,L,S,W = 5.5) on completion of the course	Students requiring IELTS 6.5 equivalent (min *R,L,S,W = 5.5) on completion of the course
15 week	IELTS 5.0 (minimum 4.0 in R, L, S, and 4.5 in W) TOEFL iBT 75 (minimum R=8; L=13; S=19; and W=18) PTE 53 (minimum 43 in R, L, S, and 48 in W)	IELTS 5.5 (minimum 4.5 in R, L, S and 5.0 in W) TOEFL iBT 87 (minimum R=13; L=16; S=20; W=19) PTE 59 (minimum 48 in R, L, S and 53 in W)
10 week	IELTS 5.0 (minimum 4.5 in R, L, S, and 5.0 in W) TOEFL iBT 75 (minimum R=13; L=16; S=20; W=19) PTE 53 (minimum 48 in R, L, S, and 53 in W) OR IELTS 5.5 (minimum 4.5 in R, L, S, and 5.0 in W) TOEFL iBT 87 (minimum R=18; L=18; S=21; W=21) PTE 59 (minimum 53 in R, L, S, and 59 in W)	IELTS 5.5 (minimum 5.0 in R, L, S and 5.5 in W) TOEFL iBT 87 (minimum R=18; L=18; S=21; W=21) PTE 59 (minimum 53 in R, L, S, and 59 in W) OR IELTS 6.0 (minimum 5.0 in R, L, S and 5.5 in W) TOEFL iBT 95 (minimum R=18; L=18; S=21; W=21) PTE 64 (minimum 53 in R, L, S, and 59 in W)
5 week	IELTS 5.5 (minimum 5.0 in R, L, S, and 5.5 in W) TOEFL iBT 87 (minimum R=18; L=18; S=21; W=21) PTE 59 (minimum 53 in R, L, S, and 59 in W) OR IELTS 6.0 (minimum 5.0 in R, L, S and 5.5 in W) TOEFL iBT 95 (minimum R=18; L=18; S=21; W=21) PTE 64 (minimum 53 in R, L, S, and 59 in W)	IELTS 6.0 (minimum 5.5 in R, L, S and 6.0 in W) TOEFL iBT 95 (minimum R=22; L=21; S=23; W=23) PTE 64 (minimum 59 in R, L, S, and 64 in W) OR IELTS 6.5 (minimum 5.5 in R, L, S and 6.0 in W) TOEFL iBT 100 (minimum R=22; L=21; S=23; W=23) PTE 70 (minimum 59 in R, L, S, and 64 in W)

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 or consult the Kingston University International Office or Pre-Sessional Team at: [pass-ps-info@kingston.ac.uk](mailto:pass-ps-info@kingston.ac.uk) / Tel: +44 (0)20 8417 7042 / +44 (0)20 8417 7790

**Table 3: Majority English Speaking Countries**

Antigua and Barbuda	Guyana
Australia	Jamaica
The Bahamas	New Zealand
Barbados	St Kitts and Nevis
Belize	St Lucia
Canada	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominica	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	United States of America

If you have any queries please contact Barbara Georgopoulos in the International Student Advisory Centre [b.georgopoulos@kingston.ac.uk](mailto:b.georgopoulos@kingston.ac.uk)



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Sweden Fullständigt Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskolen (FSG)		FSG English at MVG (IV/ket val godkänd)
Uganda Ugandan Certificate of Education (UCE)	1-6	1-6
United Kingdom GCSE	C	C (A maximum)
UK International GCSE (IGCSE) English as a first language	C	C (A maximum)
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UK O level (usually Cambridge/CIE board) (e)	C	C
USA High School Diploma	C in grade 11 or /12 English Lit/English	B in English/English Literature at grade 11 or 12

**University of Liverpool English Language Entry Requirements  
Acceptable qualifications 2011**

All students applying to the University of Liverpool must demonstrate that they are competent in the use of the English language and satisfy the University's requirements as below. The following qualifications are accepted by the University and are considered to satisfy a minimum of CEFR B2 level in each component (speaking, writing, listening and reading). This is the minimum level acceptable for degree level study in order to secure a visa to enter the UK via Tier 4 (<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/>).

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS BY SUBJECT AREA AND LEVEL OF STUDY**

The tables below specify the levels of English required to enter programmes within the University's three faculties. The level required will vary according to the programme and the level of study that you are applying for. Where programmes have a specific requirement, these will be listed separately. The tables for each level are split into acceptable international English qualifications (UKBA Secure English Language Tests), acceptable country-specific English qualifications for students educated in English medium and acceptable qualifications from the University's partner organisations.

Students who are nationals from a majority English-speaking country (as defined by the UKBA) are automatically assumed to meet minimum English language requirements. These countries are: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Canada, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, New Zealand, St Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago and the United States of America.

Students applying for **undergraduate MBChB or BDS** (clinical medicine or dentistry) programmes will usually be asked for evidence of an international qualification in English language (IELTS or TOEFL iBT) unless they are a national or been educated from year 10 onwards from one of the majority English-speaking countries above. For these students, their secondary level English will be assessed for suitability. Standard offers for medicine and dentistry for IELTS and TOEFL iBT are outlined in the table below.

Undergraduate programmes ([hyperlink to UG section below](#))

Postgraduate programmes ([hyperlink to PG section below to save scrolling down](#))

**UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES**

**International English Language Tests (UKBA Secure English Language Tests- SELTs)**

Tests for entry to UG programmes	Faculty of Science and Engineering (FSE)	Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS) and Health and Life Sciences ( <i>excl clinical medicine and dentistry unless specified</i> )
IELTS	6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component	6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component  Biological Sciences 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component  Anatomy 7.0 with minimum 5.5 in

each component Clinical programmes in Medicine and Dentistry 7.0 with minimum 7.0 in each component			
88-89 with minimum scores in components as follows: Listening and Writing - 21, Reading - 22, Speaking - 23 Anatomy 100 with minimum 21 in writing, 22 in reading and 23 in speaking Clinical programmes in medicine and dentistry 100 with minimum 24 in speaking and 22 in writing, reading and listening	76 with minimum scores in components as follows: Listening and Writing - 21, Reading - 22, Speaking - 23	Cambridge English: Advanced B grade overall	TOEFL IBT
A/B grade overall	B grade overall	Cambridge Proficiency C grade overall	
C grade overall	C grade overall	Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic) 59 with minimum scores of 59 in each component	
62 with minimum scores of 59 in each component	59 with minimum scores of 59 in each component		

Country-specific English language tests (for students educated in English medium)

Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS) and Health and Life Sciences (excluding clinical programmes in medicine and dentistry)	Faculty of Science and Engineering (FSE)	Tests for entry to UG programmes	
Credit (3-6) or above	Credit (3-6) or above	Botswana Cambridge Overseas School Certificate	
Grade C or above	Grade C or above	Cameroon GCE O Level (British system)	
Grade I & II	Grade I & II	Caribbean Examination Council General Proficiency	

HKCEE	<p>Taken pre-2007 (syllabus B only) - C (B for clinical programmes in Medicine and Dentistry)</p> <p>Taken post-2007 - 4 (5 for Medicine and Dentistry)</p>	<p>Taken pre-2007 - C</p> <p>Taken post-2007 - 4</p>
Hong Kong Use of English AS level	C	C
INDIA Standard XII (awarded by CBSE, CISCE, West Bengal, Karnataka, Maharashtra & Tamil Nadu boards)	70% or above (from these boards when education has been completed in English Medium)	70% or above (from these boards when education has been completed in English Medium)
Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)	C	C
Malawi School Certificate of Education	Credit (3-6) or above	Credit (3-6) or above
Malaysian SPM 1119	C	C
Singapore Cambridge O Level	C	C
Singapore Integrated Programme	Successful completion of the programme to meet academic requirements for degree satisfies entry requirements for English language	Successful completion of the programme to meet academic requirements for degree satisfies entry requirements for English language
South Africa National Senior Certificate	C / 5	C / 5
Tanzania Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE)	C	C
Uganda Certificate of Education (UCE)	Credit (3-6) or above	Credit (3-6) or above
UK A/S level English language	E	E
UK GCSE or O level English	C	C

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UK IGCSE English as a first language	C	
UK IGCSE English as a second language	C	B
UK - International Baccalaureate	Standard Level (Grade 5)	Standard Level (Grade 5)
Zambia Secondary School Certificate	Grade 6 or above	Grade 6 or above
Zimbabwe General Certificate of Education	C, Credit (5-6) or above	C, Credit (5-6) or above

Partner Institutions/ Universities of Liverpool Tests

Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS) and Health and Life Sciences (excluding clinical programmes in medicine and dentistry unless otherwise specified)	Faculty of Science and Engineering (FSE)	Tests for entry to UG programmes
40% overall with minimum of 30% in each component for most programmes (specified in offer letter for academic programme)	40% overall with minimum of 30% in each component	University of Liverpool Pre-session English examination
65% overall with minimum 55% in each component Biological Sciences 60% overall with minimum 55% in each component Anatomy 70% overall with minimum 55% in each component Medicine and Dentistry – IELTS required (see above)	60% overall with minimum of 55% in each component	Foundation Certificate from Liverpool International College and other Kaplan International Colleges
B Grade overall (min D grade in each component equates to B2) Biological Sciences C grade overall (min D grade in each component)	C grade overall (min D in each component equates to B2)	English for Academic Purposes module from the NCUK IFY/FC or IntDip

		equates to B2)
Students from Xi'an Jiaotong Liverpool University	Successful completion of the first two years of the degree programme at XJTLU taught in English medium satisfies the University's English language requirements	Successful completion of the first two years of the degree programme at XJTLU taught in English medium satisfies the University's English language requirements
Students from LLB programmes at HELP University College, INTI University College and Brickfields College, Malaysia	n/a	Successful completion of first two years of the LLB degree at the partner institution taught in English medium satisfies the University English language requirements
Students from the medicine programme at the International Medical University (IMU) Malaysia entering year 3 of MBChB programmes at the University of Liverpool	n/a	Successful completion of the first two years of the medicine programme at IMU taught in English medium. Students meeting the progression requirements for entry to the Liverpool School of Medicine for IMU are deemed to have satisfied the MBChB English language requirements.

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

International English Language Tests

Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences and Health and Life Sciences	Faculty of Science and Engineering	Programmes
<p>All PGT programmes unless otherwise specified below: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component</p> <p>Management, Law or Applied Linguistics: 6.5 with minimum 6.0 in each component</p> <p>Politics, Communication and Media: 6.5 with minimum 6.5 in speaking and writing and min 5.5 in other components</p> <p>MA TESOL: 7.0 with minimum 6.5 in each component</p> <p>Mius – Performance Track only: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component</p> <p>PGR programmes: 6.5 with minimum 6.5 in each component</p>	<p>6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component for most programmes</p> <p>6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component for programmes in Engineering except MSc(Eng) Product Design and Management and MSc(Eng) Advanced Manufacturing Systems and Technology (see above)</p> <p>7.0 Clinical programmes in Medicine and Dentistry (with no less than 7.0 in any component)</p>	<p>IELTS</p>
<p>88-89 with minimum scores in components as follows: Listening and Writing - 21, Reading - 22, Speaking - 23</p> <p>MA TESOL: 94-95 minimum scores in components as follows: Listening and Writing - 21, Reading - 22, Speaking - 23</p> <p>Mius – Performance Track only: 87 with minimum scores in components as follows: Listening and Writing - 21, Reading - 22, Speaking - 23</p>	<p>88-89 with minimum scores in components as follows: Listening and Writing - 21, Reading - 22, Speaking - 23</p>	<p>TOEFL iBT</p>
<p>A/B grade overall</p>	<p>B grade overall</p>	<p>Cambridge English: Advanced</p>



Cambridge Proficiency	C grade overall	C grade overall
Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic)	62 with minimum scores of 59 in each component	62 with minimum scores of 59 in each component

### Country-specific English language tests

Tests for entry to PG programmes	Faculty of Science and Engineering (FSE)	Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS) and Health and Life Sciences ( <i>excluding clinical programmes in medicine and dentistry</i> )
Botswana Cambridge Overseas School Certificate	Credit (3-6) or above	Credit (3-6) or above
Cameroon GCE O Level (British system)	Grade C or above	Grade C or above
Caribbean Examination Council General Proficiency	Grade I & II	Grade I & II
HKCEE	Taken pre-2007 (syllabus B only) - C (B for clinical programmes in Medicine and Dentistry)  Taken post-2007 - 4 (5 for Medicine and Dentistry)	Taken pre-2007 - C  Taken post-2007 - 4
Hong Kong Use of English AS level	C	C
INDIA Standard XII (awarded by CBSE, CISCE, West Bengal, Karnataka, Maharashtra & Tamil Nadu boards)	70% or above (from these boards when education has been completed in English Medium)	70% or above (from these boards when education has been completed in English Medium)
Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)	C	C
Malawi School Certificate	Credit (3-6) or above	Credit (3-6) or above

of Education	Malaysian SPM 1119	C	
Singapore Cambridge O Level		C	
Singapore Integrated Programme	Successful completion of the programme to meet academic requirements for degree satisfies entry requirements for English language		
South Africa National Senior Certificate		C / 5	C / 5
Tanzania Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE)		C	C
Uganda Certificate of Education (UCE)			Credit (3-6) or above
UK A/S level English language		E	E
UK GCSE or O level English language		C	C
UK IGCSE English as a first language		C	C
UK IGCSE English as a second language		C	B
UK - International Baccalaureate	Standard Level (Grade 5)		Standard Level (Grade 5)
Zambia Secondary School Certificate	Grade 6 or above		Grade 6 or above
Zimbabwe General Certificate of Education	C, Credit (5-6) or above		C, Credit (5-6) or above

Partner Institutions/ University of Liverpool Tests

of Education	Malaysian SPM 1119	C	
Singapore Cambridge O Level		C	
Singapore Integrated Programme	Successful completion of the programme to meet academic requirements for degree satisfies entry requirements for English language		
South Africa National Senior Certificate		C / 5	C / 5
Tanzania Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE)		C	C
Uganda Certificate of Education (UCE)			Credit (3-6) or above
UK A/S level English language		E	E
UK GCSE or O level English language		C	C
UK IGCSE English as a first language		C	C
UK IGCSE English as a second language		C	B
UK - International Baccalaureate	Standard Level (Grade 5)		Standard Level (Grade 5)
Zambia Secondary School Certificate	Grade 6 or above		Grade 6 or above
Zimbabwe General Certificate of Education	C, Credit (5-6) or above		C, Credit (5-6) or above

Tests for entry to PG Programmes

Faculty of Science and

Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS) and Health and Life

	<b>Engineering (FSE)</b>	<b>Sciences (excluding clinical programmes in medicine and dentistry)</b>
University of Liverpool Pre-sessional English examination	40% overall with minimum of 30% in each component	40% overall with minimum of 30% in each component <b>for most programmes (specified in offer letter for academic programme)</b>
Graduate Diploma from Liverpool International College and other Kaplan International Colleges	65% overall with minimum of 55% in each component	65% overall with minimum 55% in each component
English for Academic Purposes module from the NCUK Grad Dip/PMP programme	C grade overall (min D in each component equates to B2)	B grade overall (min D grade in each component equates to B2)  Biological Sciences C grade overall (min D grade in each component equates to B2)
Students from Xi'an Jiaotong Liverpool University	Successful completion of the XJTLU/University of Liverpool degree programme at XJTLU taught in English medium satisfies the University's English language requirements	Successful completion of the XJTLU/University of Liverpool degree programme at XJTLU taught in English medium satisfies the University's English language requirements

### **University of Liverpool Pre-Sessional English programmes**

Where offers are conditional on improving English language scores, some students will be made an offer conditional on achieving the appropriate English language score for their programme or achieving a lower score and successfully completing one of the University's pre-sessional English programmes. For most programmes, IELTS tests are not necessary at the end of the pre-sessional but there will be an in-house test to ensure progression to the relevant competency in each component to cope on the academic programme. For more information, please see our English language Unit website at: <http://www.liv.ac.uk/elu/eap/index-EAP.htm>.



## English Language Requirements



All students applying to the University College Plymouth St Mark and St John must show that they have a good level of spoken and written English. The following qualifications are accepted by the University College.

### UNDERGRADUATE

IELTS	6.0
TOEFL Paper based	550
TOEFL Computer based	213
TOEFL iBT	80
PTE Academic - Pearson Test of English Academic	50-57
CPE Cambridge ESOL Certificate of Proficiency in English	Level C or above
CAE Cambridge ESOL Certificate of Advanced English	Level B or above
GCSE	Level C or above
CEFR	Level B2

### POSTGRADUATE

IELTS	6.5
TOEFL Paper based	570
TOEFL Computer based	240
TOEFL iBT	90
PTE Academic - Pearson Test of English Academic	58-64
CPE Cambridge ESOL Certificate of Proficiency in English	Level C or above
CAE Cambridge ESOL Certificate of Advanced English	Level A
GCSE	Level C or above
CEFR	Level C1

#### Notes:

1. Other language qualifications can be considered. Some more linguistically demanding programmes may require higher minimum English language standards, particularly in relation to specific skill areas.



## Visa Applications – English Language Requirements

### Changes to English Language Requirements

In order to comply with the changes to UKBA Policy Guidance on Tier 4 (General) Student visas published on 21 April 2011, the RCM must ensure that all Visa Applicants have a level of English language commensurate with CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference) level B2 or above *in all 4 disciplines (reading, writing, speaking and listening)*. A Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) cannot be issued unless this condition is met. Please note that this means an *average* IELTS score of 5.5 is no longer acceptable. The Admissions Officer is contacting those students in the 2011/12 intake who are affected by this change.

The RCM's standard procedure for assessing English language ability for new applicants is by means of a SELT (Secure English Language Test). A full list of acceptable tests and scores is available at:

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/applicationforms/new-approved-english-tests.pdf>

The most commonly used tests and permitted scores are:

- IELTS - score of 5.5 in all 4 disciplines (note that an average score of 5.5 is no longer acceptable).
- TOEFL - Listening-21, Reading – 22, Speaking – 23, Writing – 21 (total of 87, higher than previously)
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) – score of 59 in all 4 disciplines.

As a Highly Trusted Sponsor the RCM does not have to specify test results in the CAS, and will instead use the UKCISA recommended wording:

*"We have assessed this student's English language ability and confirm that it is equivalent to CEFR Level B2 or higher in each of the four components of language learning. No documents are required to be submitted as evidence of this. (Para 118 of the Tier 4 Policy Guidance refers)"*

### Exemptions

#### **1 – Majority English speaking countries**

A visa applicant will not have to provide proof of their English language ability if they are a national of a country considered by the UKBA to be a majority English speaking country, *or if they have achieved an academic qualification at least equivalent to a UK Bachelors degree which was completed in a majority English speaking country*. The UKBA defines these countries as:

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Australia
- The Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Canada
- Dominica
- Grenada
- Guyana
- Jamaica
- New Zealand
- St Kitts and Nevis

- St Lucia
- St Vincent and the Grenadines
- Trinidad and Tobago
- United States of America

In this instance the CAS will state:

*Student is a US national – no further language test required” or “Student has completed degree in Australia – no further language test required”;*

## 2 – Tier 4 (Child) Visa holders

In accordance with paragraph 97 of the Policy Guidance, an HEI does not need to assess English Language ability if the student has successfully completed a course as a Tier 4 (Child) student (or under the student rules that were in force before 31 March 2009, where the student was granted permission stay whilst he/she was under 18 years old) which was:

- at least six months in length; and
- ended within two years of the date the sponsor assigned the Confirmation.

This should apply to international students currently studying for A Levels at UK independent schools, provided they are Tier 4 (Child) Visa holders. Please note that this does not apply to students in the UK in a different visa category (e.g. Dependant's visa).

## 3 – Continuing Students renewing visas

In accordance with paragraph 104 of the Policy Guidance, as a Highly Trusted Sponsor, the RCM has the right to choose its own method to assess whether a student is proficient to CEFR level B2 in all four components of language learning. The RCM considers that a current student, who is participating fully in an RCM programme of studies and whose progress on their course is satisfactory to date, has been assessed as demonstrating the required level of proficiency. In this instance the CAS statement will use the UKCISA recommended wording:

*“We have assessed this student's English language ability and confirm that it is equivalent to CEFR Level B2 or higher in each of the four components of language learning. No documents are required to be submitted as evidence of this. (Para 118 of the Tier 4 Policy Guidance refers)”*

## 4 – Students from Hong Kong and Singapore

In accordance with paragraph 104 of the Policy Guidance, as a Highly Trusted Sponsor, the RCM has the right to choose its own method of assessment to ascertain whether a student is proficient to CEFR level B2 in all four components of language learning. The RCM considers that a student who is a national of Singapore or Hong Kong, has completed their secondary education through the medium of English language and who has obtained high school qualifications assessed by a UK-based examination board (e.g. International A Levels) to have been assessed as being proficient in English language to CEFR B2 in all four components of language learning. In this instance the CAS statement will use the UKCISA recommended wording:

*“We have assessed this student's English language ability and confirm that it is equivalent to CEFR Level B2 or higher in each of the four components of language learning. No documents are required to be submitted as evidence of this. (Para 118 of the Tier 4 Policy Guidance refers)”*



## **5- Gifted Students**

The Policy Guidance states that if a student is enrolling on a course of degree level or higher with a Highly Trusted Sponsor, and is considered by the Tier 4 Sponsor to be a “gifted student”, the English language requirement may be waived. Whilst the RCM would consider any of its students to be gifted, it is expected by the UKBA that this clause is only to be used in exceptional circumstances to allow the College to admit the most talented students.

In this instance the Academic Registrar must personally authorise the issue of the CAS and the following wording is proposed:

*In accordance with Paragraph 105 of the UKBA Policy Guidance for Tier 4 of the Points Based System, the RCM considers this student, who is enrolling on a course at NQF level 6 or above, to be a gifted student. We therefore request that the English language requirement be waived on this occasion. This CAS has been personally authorised by Elly Taylor, Academic Registrar.*

In addition a letter must be issued to the student by the Academic Registrar to enclose with their visa application. Further details are available in the UKBA’s Sponsor Guidance (21/4/11).

### **Further Guidance**

The UKBA is making regular revisions to the Policy Guidance on this subject, and staff should always check the latest guidance at:

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/applicationforms/pbs/Tier4migrantguidance1.pdf>



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## Section IV : General Regulations

### Regulations for Admission to Degree Programmes\*

(\*excerpts – under review at present)

#### English Language Requirements

- 5.1 In addition to any of the above qualifications, candidates whose first language is not English are required either:
- a. to reach a satisfactory standard in an approved test in English (see Appendix 2) **or**
  - b. to offer a first degree from a UK university that has been taught and assessed in English, **or**
  - c. to have been instructed and assessed in English *and* come from a country which appears on the list of those exempt from testing (see Appendix 3).
- 5.2
- a. Although the candidate may have satisfied the English language requirements listed in 5.1 above, the School, with advice from the Centre for Language Study, may recommend that the student take a pre/in-session programme, **or**
  - b. If the candidate cannot provide any of the requirements listed in 5.1, the candidate must otherwise demonstrate to the School that they have an adequate command of both written and spoken English language to follow the proposed course.

The **original** English language certificate is required as evidence in **all** cases except where online verification is available; ie: IELTS or TOEFL results.

Faculties that would like their English language requirements to differ from the standard University of Southampton requirements should submit a case to be considered by the Admissions Review Group for approval.

#### APPENDIX 2 : Accepted Tests and Test Scores for English Language Certification

The required certification in English Language should normally have been obtained within the last two years. Tests currently approved are:

British Council/Cambridge IELTS, TOEFL, internet-based TOEFL are normally acceptable at the following grade/score levels (for exceptions please see below):

IELTS*	6.5
TOEFL paper-based test	580
TOEFL internet-based test	92

\* IELTS qualification must include the Academic Reading and Writing modules. Though overall grade is stated, requirement for the particular components of listening, reading, writing and speaking may vary.

Programmes accepting lower IELTS, TOEFL and internet-based TOEFL equivalent scores/grades:

For all Foundation programmes:

IELTS	5.5
TOEFL paper-based test	527
TOEFL internet-based test	71

For admission to research degrees in Engineering and Science disciplines:

IELTS	6.0
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TOEFL paper-based test 553  
TOEFL internet-based test 81

Some programmes require higher scores. A number of programmes specifically require the following grade/score levels:

IELTS 7.0

TOEFL paper-based test 617

TOEFL internet-based test 105

Specific examples include the International Part-Time PhD Pathway – Distance Learning Mode in the Faculty of Humanities, PhDs at Winchester School of Art, School of Law: LLM programme, MSc Audiology, Faculty of Medicine: Bachelor of Medicine, MSc and postgraduate research programmes and a number of BSc programmes in the Faculty of Health Sciences. Applicants are advised to contact individual School/Faculty admissions tutors for definitive programme requirements.

For the full list of IELTS and TOEFL equivalences please see Appendix 4.

- AEB test in English for Educational Purposes (TEEP) (Grade 4 throughout).
- Brunel/Cambridge GCE O level English (grade C or above); Brunel/Cambridge GCE A level English (grade C or above).
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (Grade C or above).
- Cambridge International Examinations English O-level (used in Malaysia) (Grade C or above).
- Certificate in Advanced English (Cambridge) (Grades A - B).
- Certificate of Attainment in English (London) (Levels 5 - 6).
- GCE O-level or GCE in English (Grade C or above).
- IGCSE English as a Second Language (used in Cyprus, the Middle East and Argentina) (Grade C or above).
- International Schools: Undergraduate applications where the medium of instruction and assessment is English in an international School.
- 'International' Universities where the language of instruction is in English.
- JMB University Entrance Test in English for Speakers of Other Languages (Pass).
- Malaysian English SPM 119 (Grade C or above).
- Nigeria: West African Examinations Council Year 12 Certificate in English (WASSCE) (grade C6 and above).
- Northern Consortium of British Universities (NCUK): EAP module - B for all courses at the University.
- Pre-sessional English Language Courses delivered by Language Specialists International (LSI).
- Successful completion of a pre-sessional course offered by the University's Centre for Language Study.
- University of Reading: Test in English for Education Purposes (TEEP).
- Warwick Higher Education Foundation Programme: 55% for all courses at the University.

The following qualifications are also acceptable:

- Abitur with a minimum score of 11 out of 15 or 2 out of 6 in English Language as a Leistungskurs.
- European Baccalaureate with a minimum 7.5 in English as the First Foreign Language L2 or First Foreign Language - Advanced L2A.
- International Baccalaureate (Syllabus A1: Grade 4 at either Higher or Standard level; syllabus A2: Grade 5 at Higher level or Grade 5 at Standard level where the IB subjects have been studied through the medium of English; Syllabus B: Grade 5 at Higher level).
- India English Exam for CBSE and ISC exam boards with a minimum score of 70%.
- Norwegian Vitnemål with minimum score of 4 in English.

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**APPENDIX 3 : Countries where no Separate Test of English Language Proficiency is required as long as education has been through the medium of English**

(See Section 4.1 of Admissions to Degree Programmes).

Students whose first language is not English meet the University's requirement by virtue of having been taught and assessed in English and who come from countries which appear on this list.

Anguilla  
Antigua  
Australia  
Bahamas  
Barbados  
Belize  
Bermuda  
Botswana  
British Virgin Islands  
Canada  
Cayman Islands  
Christmas Island  
Cocos Islands  
Cook Islands  
Dominica  
Falkland Islands  
Fiji  
Gambia  
Ghana  
Grenada  
Guyana  
Heard Island  
Jamaica  
Kenya  
Lesotho  
Malawi  
Malta  
Mauritius  
McDonald Island  
New Zealand  
Niue  
Norfolk Islands  
Papua New Guinea  
Saint Kitts  
Saint Lucia  
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines  
Sierra Leone  
Singapore  
South Africa  
Swaziland  
Tonga

Trinidad and Tobago  
Turks and Caicos Islands  
Uganda  
United States of America  
Western Samoa  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe  
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**APPENDIX 4 : Table of IELTS and TOEFL Test Score Comparisons**

IELTS*	TOEFL paper-based test	TOEFL internet-based test
4.5	477	53
5.0	500	61
5.5	527	71
6.0	553	81
6.5	580	92
7.0	617	105

\* IELTS qualification must include the Academic Reading and Writing modules. Though overall grade is stated, requirement for the particular components of listening, reading, writing and speaking may vary.

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- Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (grade B)
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (grade C)

Other English qualifications corresponding to IELTS 6.5 may also be accepted. Please contact the University for further information.

**The University of Surrey has an IELTS Test Centre on Campus.**

If you have IELTS are 0.5 or equivalent below the required level for your programme and no less than 1.0 or equivalent below the level in any single component, you will meet our English requirements upon successful completion of the University of Surrey's 10 week pre-sessional programme, PS10, without the need to take another IELTS test.

You do not need to show an English qualification if you are a citizen of a majority English speaking country (see list below) or if you come from elsewhere and have studied and been examined in the English medium for the final 2 years of a degree in any of these countries and certain other countries:

Antigua and Barbuda	Dominica	St Kitts and Nevis
Australia	Grenada	St Lucia
The Bahamas	Guyana	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Barbados	Ireland	Trinidad and Tobago
Belize	Jamaica	UK
Canada	New Zealand	USA

**3. Certain other countries**

The certain other countries – which would not be listed in the Prospectus – include:

Pakistan  
Singapore  
India  
Nigeria  
Ghana  
Hong Kong

The Director of Student Recruitment will draft an appropriate statement – based on custom and practice and local knowledge in these countries - to support the following statement which will be included on the Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies for applicants from these countries deemed to have met the University's English Language requirement:

*"We have assessed this student's English language ability and confirm that it is equivalent to CEFR Level B2 or higher in each of the four components of language learning. No documents are required to be submitted as evidence of this"*

[This wording of this statement has been approved by the UKBA and UUK]

Professor A Dlaska  
Chair, Admissions Sub-Committee  
3 June 2011

Recent new requirements of the UKBA for English Language Competence among international students have prompted further discussion about requirements for both undergraduate and postgraduate students.

## 1. English Language Requirements for Undergraduate International students

It is recommended that the following amendments be made to the section on English Language requirements for Undergraduate Students in the paper ULTC 11:31 (deletions struck through; replacement in bold)

### English Language

All students will need a good standard of English. The minimum standard required for most programmes is shown below although there are exceptions (requiring a higher level of English) which will be detailed in the specific programme pages of the prospectus.

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS): Band 6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each of the subtests. The IELTS test must have been taken no earlier than two years, before the date the Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies is issued
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): 92 in the Internet-based test (or paper-based equivalent), normally with 22 or higher in each subtest (23 in the speaking test);
- Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (grade B)
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (grade C)

Some other school leaving or matriculation certificates contain a compulsory examination in English and these may be taken as equivalent. Some English Language Examinations may also be accepted as part of an International Foundation Year.

An applicant with IELTS at 0.5 below the required level for their proposed programme (e.g. 6.0) and not less than 1.0 below the level in any single component (e.g. 5.0) will meet the English requirements upon successful completion of the University's pre-sessional programme, PS10, without the need to take another IELTS test.

(Note: the date for the 2 year validity period is in line with specific advice from the UKBA)

## 2. English Language requirements for international postgraduate students

It is recommended that the following becomes the University's policy statement on English Language requirements for international taught and research postgraduate students and, as such, is reproduced in the Postgraduate Prospectus:

To benefit fully from a postgraduate programme you will need a good standard of English and will have to provide evidence of your abilities. The standard required for most programmes is shown in the table below although there are exceptions which are detailed within the specific programme pages.

The following qualifications are accepted by the University as evidence that you meet our minimum level of competence in English:

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS): Band 6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each of the subtests. The IELTS test must have been taken no earlier than two years before the date the Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies is issued
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): 92 in the Internet-based test (or paper-based equivalent), normally with 22 or higher in each subtest (23 in the speaking test);



## English Language Equivalence for Middlesex University admissions

English Language Qualifications are usually only regarded as valid if they have been taken within the last two years. Students who have completed a full degree taught and assessed in English in a University in the UK, US, Canada, New Zealand or Australia are not normally required to demonstrate English competence for PG study, unless professionally required (eg PGCE). This is also true for graduates of Anglophone Universities in Hong Kong and students that have taken a UK-validated qualification (e.g. A-levels) while studying abroad. For some UG and PG programmes (eg Teacher Training, Nursing, Social Work) formal qualification in English is always required according to professional requirements. Supplementary tests may sometimes be required. Discretion may be exercised where appropriate for mature entrants who have considerable work experience in an English-speaking context.

QUALIFICATION		LEVEL REQUIRED	
Normal requirement for	UG (apart from certain professional programmes eg Nursing)	PG Taught and Research and UG Biomedical Science	UG Nursing inc Vet Nursing/Midwifery, PG Translation, TEFL and some other exceptions.
GCSE/IGCSE/O-Level English (as a first or second language)	Grade C	Grade C	Grade B
IELTS	6.0 (with 5.5 in each component)	6.5 (with 6.0 in each component)	7.0
Common European Framework for Languages	Level C1	Level C2	Level C2
TOEFL (Paper based)	TOEFL 550 (no less than 4 in TWE)	TOEFL no less than 573 (TWE minimum of 4.5)	TOEFL no less than 600 (TWE minimum of 4.5)
TOEFL (IBT)	80 (with no less than 17 within each component)	90 (with no less than 19 within each component)	100 (with no less than 20 within each component)
TOIEC	Not accepted		
UK Key Skills	Level 2	Level 3	Level 3
UK Access course (OCN accredited or QAA recognised)	Pass at level 2/3 in English language components	NA	NA
Cambridge Proficiency test	No less than C	No less than B	No less than B
Cambridge Advanced Test	No less than B	No less than A	No less than A



Cambridge ESOL	CPE Grade C CAE Grade B	CPE Grade B CAE Grade A	CPE Grade B CAE Grade A
International Baccalaureate English A1 or A2 (Standard or Higher Level)	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 5
International Baccalaureate English B (Higher Level)	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 5
International Baccalaureate English B (Standard Level)	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 6
Warwick English Language Test	CCC	BBC	ABB
Warwick HE Foundation Programme (English and Study Skills element)	50%	55%	60%
Trinity College (ISE only)	ISE III as evidence of all skills in English (NQF Level 2)	NA	NA
UETESOL	No less than BBBCC (Above pass)	No less than BBBBB (above Pass)	No less than ABBBB
TEEP Univ of Reading	Pass	Pass	Pass
City and Guilds/Pitman ESOL	Higher Intermediate	Advanced	Not accepted
Michigan (MELAB) NB ECPE scores must be converted to MELAB	80	90	90
London Tests of English – Edexcel/Pearson	Level 4	Level 5	
European Baccalaureate (first or second language)	6	6	7
ESB ESOL International	At least MERIT in all units	Not accepted	Not accepted.



<b>Austria</b>	Matura / Reifeprüfung	2 (gut) in English when both written and oral exams have been taken	2 (gut) in English when both written and oral exams have been taken	2 (gut) in English when both written and oral exams have been taken
<b>Belgium</b>		8 / 80% or Grote avec grande distinction in English	8 / 80% or Grote avec grande distinction in English	8 / 80% or Grote avec grande distinction in English
<b>Bulgaria</b>	Secondary School Diploma	Grade 5 in English	Grade 5 in English	Grade 5 in English
<b>Cyprus</b>	Apolyterion or combined Apolyterion + GCE A Levels	Apolyterion final average of 18/20 Apolyterion 17/20 + 1 GCE Apolyterion 16/20 + 2 GCEs		
<b>Czech Republic</b>	Vysvedceni o Maturitni Zkousce/Maturita	At least grade 3 overall (1 being the highest)		
<b>Denmark</b>	Studentereksamen	Grade 7 at level A English Grade 10 at level B English	10 in English	10 in English
<b>Estonia</b>	Gumnaasumi Loputunnistus	Passes in 5 exams (with at least 3 state exams) not including English Grade 4 in English		
<b>Finland</b>	Ylioppilastutkintotoimitus	5 (magna cum laude approbatur) in English	5 (magna cum laude approbatur) in English	5 (magna cum laude approbatur) in English
<b>France</b>	French Baccalaureate (General)	14 (bien) in English where the co-efficient applied to the subject is greater than 1	14 (bien) in English where the co-efficient applied to the subject is greater than 1	14 (bien) in English where the co-efficient applied to the subject is greater than 1
	French Bacclaireate (OIB)	Average grade 14/20 plus 12/20 in English	12/20	12/20
	Baccalaureate de l'Enseignement du Second Degré	Average grade 14/20		



	International Baccalaureate (IB)	Also accepted		
	Diplome d'études universitaires générales (DEUG, DUT)	May gain entry to year 3, depending on learning outcomes, etc.		
<b>Germany</b>	Abitur/Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife Fachhochschulreife	Overall minimum grade 12/15 10 (gut) in English when taken as an achievement/ main/intensive course 2 (Gut) in English	10 (gut) in English when taken as an achievement/ main/intensive course 2 (Gut) in English	13 (sehr gut) in English when taken as an achievement/ main/intensive course 2 (Gut) in English
<b>Greece</b>	Apolyterion	Minimum grade average of 16/20 Some Arts + CS 15/20		
<b>Hong Kong</b>	HKASL Use of English HKCEE English Language HKDSE English Language	Grade E or better Level 3 or better Level 3 or better	Grade D Level 4 Level 4	Grade B Level 5 Level 5
<b>Hungary</b>	Advanced Level Matura (Erettsegi)	Overall grade 4 English advanced level grade 4		
<b>Iceland</b>	Studentsprof	8 in English when taken as a compulsory language	8 in English when taken as a compulsory language	8 in English when taken as a compulsory language
<b>India</b>	Standard XII	70%	75%	80%
<b>Ireland</b>	Irish Leaving Certificate	Higher/Honours Level Six passes including four at the higher level with grade C or above		
<b>Italy</b>	Esame di Stato Diploma di Maturita			





<b>Latvia</b>	Atestatas par visparejo videjo izglitiba	Overall grade 8 Grade 8 at Level A in English		
<b>Luxembourg</b>	Diplome de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires	45 (bien) in English	45 (bien) in English	45 (bien) in English
<b>Lithuania</b>	Brandos Atestatas	Overall grade 8 Grade 8 Level A in English		
<b>Malaysia</b>	UCLES 1119 Syllabus SPM	Grade C C6 or better	Grade C B4 or better	Grade C A1
<b>Netherlands</b>	VWO	8 (goed) in English	8 (goed) in English	8 (goed) in English
<b>Norway</b>	Vitnemal	Overall average grade 3.5 or above Grade 4 in English	Grade 5 in English	Grade 5 in English
<b>Poland</b>	Matura (new)	Oral: Basic 90%; Extended 60% Written: Basic 75%, Extended 60% Except BA TEFL = oral 90% Basic + written 80% Basic 65% Extended	80% 90% oral	85% 95% Oral
<b>Romania</b>	Baccalaureat	Overall grade 8 Grade 8 in English		
<b>Slovakia</b>	Maturita	Overall grade 2.5 or above English level B2, grade 2 or grade 1 for BA TEFL etc.		
<b>Spain</b>	Curso de Orientacion Universitaria (COU)	Average grade 6 or above		
<b>Sweden</b>	Slutbetyg fran Komvux/ Avgangsbetyg	Good pass in 90% of subjects VG (val godkant) in English	VG (val godkant) in English	VG (val godkant) in English
<b>Switzerland</b>	Maturita	5 (gut/bien/bene) in English	5 (gut/bien/bene) in English	5 (gut/bien/bene) in English



West Africa	WAEC/WASSCE/SSSCE	C6	C5	B4
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Accepted Tests at B2 Level

General Qualification	Undergraduate Level Entry
IELTS	Overall 6.0 with 5.5 in each component
TOEFL iBT	Overall 80 with: Listening – 21 / Reading – 22 / Speaking – 23 / Writing - 21
International Baccalaureate	English Standard – Grade 4
International GCSE	English as a First Language – Grade C
Cambridge Overseas School Certificate	Grades 1-6
East African Certificate of Education (EACE)	Grades 1-6
West African Higher School Certificate	Grades 1-6
Country Specific	Undergraduate Level Entry
Australia	Year 10 Certificate – Grade C English
Botswana	BGCSE – Grade C
Brunei	GCSE O-Level – Grade C
Bulgaria	Diploma za Sredno Spetsialno Obrazovanie / Svidetelstvo za Profesionalna Kvalifikasia – Grade 5
Canada	Grade 11 Secondary School Diploma (general level) – 60%
Czech Republic	Maturitní Zkouška / Maturita / Vysvedčení o Maturitní Zkoušce (Maturita from vocational/technical schools) – Grade 3
Denmark	Studentereksamen – Grade 7
Eire	Leaving Certificate at Ordinary / Standard level – Grade C
Finland	Ylioppilastutkinto / Studentexamen – Grade 4 (C)

France	Option International de Baccalaureate – Grade 12 Standard Baccalaureate – Grade 13
Germany	Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife (Abitur) – Grade 10
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Certificate of Education (HKCEE) English Language - Grade 4 (C) Hong Kong A Level / HKALE AS Level English Language - Grade C The Hong Kong Diploma in Secondary Education (HKDSE)- English Language at Level 3
Hungary	Erettsegi /Matura – Grade 2
India	CBSE / CISCE / WBCHSEB Standard XII – 70%
Lithuania	Brandos Atestatas – 9 State Exams - 50
Malaysia	SPM Syllabus 1119 – 6C
Netherlands	Diploma Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO) – Grade 7
Norway	Vitnemål awarded from Videregående Skole – Grade 4
Poland	Matura Extended Level in English Language – 55%
Singapore	Singapore/Cambridge GCE O Level – Grade - C
Sweden	Avgångsbetyg (previously Studentexamen) / Slutbetyg från Komvux / Fullständigt Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskolan – VG Level
USA	High School Graduation Diploma English (Grade 12) – Grade C / 75%

## University College London

### Application and Entry: English Language Proficiency Requirement

All students whose first language is not English must be able to provide recent evidence that their spoken and written command of the English language is adequate for the programmes for which they have applied. This requirement is specified in order to ensure that the academic progress of students is not hindered by language difficulties and that students are able to integrate socially while studying at UCL and living in the UK.

The required evidence may take the form of either:

1. Substantial education (minimum twelve months) or work experience (minimum eighteen months) conducted in English and undertaken no more than two years prior to the proposed date of enrolment

or

2. A recently obtained acceptable English language qualification or test result. The qualification or test result must have been awarded no more than two years prior to the proposed date of enrolment.

**UCL reserves the right, in individual circumstances, to specify an additional language requirement for an applicant if it is felt to be necessary, or to require a higher level than that indicated in the table.**

UCL's preferred English language qualifications are GCSE in English language and the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (Academic version). Please refer to the **complete list of the English language qualifications and tests that are recognised by UCL** and the **level (standard, good or advanced) required to satisfy UCL's English language requirement across our range of degree programmes**. It should be noted that the levels required are the minimum that are acceptable and UCL reserves the right, in individual circumstances, to require a higher level.

The result obtained in any English language qualification should be provided, if possible, on the UCAS application form. If no evidence of English language proficiency has been provided, admission will be conditional upon the provision of such evidence. This condition will be clearly indicated on the offer letter and must be fulfilled before enrolment at UCL.

### English Language Qualifications Accepted by UCL for Undergraduate Study

In addition to achievement in your qualifying examinations, students whose first language is not English must meet UCL's English language proficiency requirement.

UCL's preferred English language qualifications are GCSE English Language and IELTS (Academic version).

The requirements for all undergraduate degree programmes will be at one of three levels: **Standard, Good or Advanced**. Please refer to the level required to satisfy UCL's English language requirement across our range of **undergraduate degree programmes**. It should be noted that the levels required are the minimum that are acceptable and UCL reserves the right, in individual circumstances, to require a higher level.

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Acceptable English language qualifications for undergraduate study at UCL include:

### **GCSE English Language**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade C  
**Good level:** Pass at grade C  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade B

### **IELTS Academic**

**Standard level:** Overall grade of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in each of the subtests.  
**Good level:** Overall grade of 7.0 with a minimum of 6.0 in each of the subtests.  
**Advanced level:** Overall grade of 7.5 with a minimum of 6.5 in each of the subtests.

### **TOEFL**

#### *Internet-based version*

**Standard level:** Score of 92, plus 24/30 in the reading and writing subtests and 23/30 in the listening and speaking subtests.  
**Good level:** Score of 100, plus 24/30 in the reading and writing subtests and 23/30 in the listening and speaking subtests.  
**Advanced level:** Score of 109, plus 24/30 in the reading and writing subtests and 23/30 in the listening and speaking subtests.

### **Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade C  
**Good level:** Pass at grade B  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade B

### **Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade B  
**Good level:** Pass at grade A  
**Advanced level:** Not acceptable

### **Cambridge English Language 1119**



**Standard level:** Pass at grade 6  
**Good level:** Pass at grade 6  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade 4

**Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) Ordinary Level in English Language**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade C  
**Good level:** Pass at grade C  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade B

**IGCSE English as a Second Language, Syllabus 0510**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade C  
**Good level:** Pass at grade C  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade B

**Pitman Examination in International ESOL**

**Standard level:** Pass at Mastery level when achieved with a pass at Mastery level in the Pitman International Spoken (ISESOL) test.  
**Good level:** Pass at Mastery level when achieved with a pass at Mastery level in the Pitman International Spoken (ISESOL) test.  
**Advanced level:** Not acceptable

**UCL Language Centre: Pre-Sessional English Language Courses**

**Standard level:** Overall mark of 65%, with at least 60% in each of the sub-tests.  
**Good level:** Overall mark of 70%, with at least 60% in each of the sub-tests.  
**Advanced level:** Overall mark of 75%, with at least 70% in each of the sub-tests

**UCL Language Centre: Diploma in English for Academic Purposes With Research Skills**

**Standard level:** Overall mark of 65%, with at least 60% in each of the four sub-tests.  
**Good level:** Overall mark of 70%, with at least 60% in each of the four sub-tests.  
**Advanced level:** Overall mark of 75%, with at least 70% in each of the four sub-tests.

**Hong Kong Certificate of Education English Language (Standards-Referenced Reporting Scheme)**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade 3  
**Good level:** Pass at grade 3  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade 4

**Malaysian Certificate of Education English Language Communicational (122)**

**Standard level:** Pass at grade 6

**Good level:** Pass at grade 6  
**Advanced level:** Pass at grade 4

**International Baccalaureate (IB)**

*Standard level*

**For native or near-native speakers:**

IB Language A1 at either higher or standard level - grade 4  
IB Language A2 at either higher or standard level - grade 4

**For non-native speakers:**

IB Language B at higher level - grade 4  
IB Language B at standard level - grade 6

*Good level*

**For native or near-native speakers:**

IB Language A1 at either higher or standard level - grade 4  
IB Language A2 at either higher or standard level - grade 4

**For non-native speakers:**

IB Language B at higher level - grade 4  
IB Language B at standard level - grade 6

*Advanced level*

**For native or near-native speakers:**

IB Language A1 at either higher or standard level - grade 5  
IB Language A2 at either higher or standard level - grade 5

**For non-native speakers:**

IB Language B at higher level - grade 5  
IB Language B at standard level - grade 7

**European School Leaving/Matriculation Certificates**

**Austria**

**All levels:** In the Matura/Reifeprüfung, 2 (gut) in English when both written and oral examinations have been taken.

**Belgium**

**All levels:** In the Diploma van Secundair or the Certificat d'Enseignement Supérieur, the equivalent of 8/80%/grote onderscheiding/avec grande distinction in English.

## **Denmark**

**All levels:** In the Studentereksamen, 10 in English.

## **European Baccalaureate**

**All levels:** 8 in English as either an Obligatory Subject (Language I or II) or as a Full Option (Language III or IV).

## **Finland**

**All levels:** In the Ylioppilastutkinto/Studentexamen matriculation examination, 5 (magna cum laude approbatur) in English.

## **France**

**All levels:** In the Baccalaureat General, 13 (assez bien) in English, where the coefficient applied to the subject is greater than 1.

## **Germany**

**All levels:** In the Abitur, 12 (gut) in English when taken as an achievement/main/intensive course.

## **Iceland**

**All levels:** In the Studentsprof matriculation examination, 8 in English when taken as a compulsory modern language.

## **Luxembourg**

**All levels:** In the Examen de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires, 45 (bien) in English.

## **The Netherlands**

**All levels:** In the Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO) diploma, 7 (ruim voldoende) in English.

## **Norway**

**All levels:** In the Vitnemaal - videregaende opplæring, 5 in English.

## **Sweden**

**All levels:** In the Avgångsbetyg, VG (val godkant) in English.

## **Switzerland**

**All levels:** In the Maturitätzeugnis/Certificat de Maturité/Attestato de Maturità federal maturity certificate or the federally-recognised cantonal maturity certificate, 5 (gut/bien/bene) in English



University of Lincoln International Entry Requirements by Country

Country	Title of qualification	Grade/result required for entry 2012	Additional info regarding qualification	Pass for UG or PG?	IELTS/GCSE English Lang equivalent required?
Romania	Romanian Baccalaureate (aka Diploma de Bacalaureat)	Min 8 points		UG	Yes
Greece	Greek APOI (of Lykeio)	Min 17 points		UG	Yes
France	French Baccalaureate	Min 13 points		UG	Yes
Poland	Matura	Min 60% overall + translated copy		UG	Yes
Bulgaria	Diploma za Sredno Spetsialno Obrazovanie - Diploma of completed secondary specialised education	Min pass mark 4		UG	Yes
Ireland	Leaving certificate Level 4, 5 and 6	Refer		UG	Yes
Estonia	Gümnaasiumi lõputunnistus (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)	in 5 subjects or more, with a minimum overall assessment of 4, to include Maths and English (if needed or individual subjects)		UG	Yes
Estonia	Riigieksamitid (State Examinations)	overall assessment, in at least three subjects, at 65% or above		UG	Yes
Lithuania	Lithuanian Brandos Atestatas	overall grade of 7 (to include maths and English if needed) and a minimum of 60% in 3 or more State Examination Subjects		UG	Yes
Iran	Pre-University Certificate	Min score of 12		UG	Yes
Iran	A-High School Diploma	Min score of 10 in at least 5 subjects (or a 10 overall depending on how the diploma is graded)		UG	Yes
Europe	European Baccalaureate Diploma	60% overall, to include 60% in English (plus any other relevant subject eg art/science)		UG	Yes
USA	SAT 1	Min score of 600 in all three parts (specific entry requirements for different courses may apply - for example a science subject from SAT II)		UG	Yes
USA	Advanced Placement Tests (AP)	Grade 3 or above in at least 2 subjects (specific subject may be required in certain disciplines)		UG	Yes
Mexico	Salida Lateral/Carrera Corta (2-3 years)	Min 8 points	Equivalent to uk BTECHNC	UG	Yes
Brazil	Nivel Tecnológica	Min 7.0	Equivalent to uk BTECHNC	UG	Yes
Norway	Vitnemål fra den videregående skole (formerly Examen Artium (1981))	Min 4 (Good)	Equivalent to uk BTECHND/FdA	UG	No (not if 4 obtained in English)
Norway	Høgskolekandidat (from university colleges)	Higher From 2002 = A - C / Høgskoletr pass 1.0 - 3.0	Equivalent to uk BTECHND/FdA	UG	Yes
Norway	Ingeniør fra Ingeniør Høgskole (Engineering University College)	Higher From 2002 = A - C / Høgskoletr pass 1.0 - 3.0	Equivalent to uk BTECHNC	UG	Yes
Norway	Vitnemål fra Teknisk Fagskole (Technical College) / Tekniker	Min 4 (Good)	Equivalent to uk BTECHNC	UG	Yes
Ghana	West African Higher School Certificate / GCE A level	Pass with 1A / 2A / 3B	Equivalent to the overall GCE Advanced / Scottish Advanced Higher standard	UG	Yes
Nigeria	West African GCE A level (up to 1989)	pass mark 1 - 3	Equivalent to the overall GCE Advanced / Scottish Advanced Higher standard	UG	Yes
Nigeria	Advanced National Commercial Certificate (ANCC) (1995-)	C = 50-59%+2.5 / A = 80-100%+4.0	Equivalent to (AS) level / BTEC National Certificate / Scottish Higher standard	UG	Yes
Nigeria	Advanced National Technical Certificate (ANTC) (1995-)	C = 50-59%+2.5 / A = 80-100%+4.1	Equivalent to (AS) level / BTEC National Certificate / Scottish Higher standard	UG	Yes
Nigeria	Higher National Diploma (HND)	Upper Credit 3.0-3.49 - Distinction 3.5-4.0.	Equivalent to BTEC / SOA Higher National Diploma (HND) standard / Foundation degree standard	UG	Yes
Nigeria	National Diploma (ND)	Upper Credit 3.0-3.49 - Distinction 3.5-4.1	Equivalent to (AVCE) / BTEC National Diploma standard	UG	Yes
Nigeria	Professional Diploma (Part IV) from the Institute of Medical Laboratory Technology of Nigeria	Upper Credit 3.0-3.49 - Distinction 3.5-4.2	Equivalent to uk BTECHND/FdA	UG	Yes
Malaysia	Diploma in Interior Architecture (from ALFA institute)	pass	Equivalent to uk BTEC National Diploma standard	UG	Yes
Italy	Esame Di Stato	B/7/00		UG	Yes
PR China	Gaokao	minimum of 480/500		UG	Yes
India	Standard XII			UG	No (if 60%+ obtained in English from Metro/State Board)
Germany	Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife (Abitur)	minimum of 70% from a Central/Metro State Board - 60% in English accepted in lieu of IELTS/TOEFL		UG	Yes
All	International Baccalaureate	Pass with an overall grade of 2.4		UG	Yes
Togo	The Baccalaureat Premiere Partie is considered to be below GCSE level	Min 24 (refer to UCAS Tariff)		None	Yes
Togo	The Baccalaureat D'Engagement Du Troisième Degré is considered comparable to GCSE (grades A-C) / Credit Standard Grade standard (on a subject-for-subject basis, with the exception of English language). (on our website is listed simple as "Baccalaureat"		Email from Maric 14/01/2010 confirming the info as listed/detailed	None	Yes

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Cyprus	Αποκρίθση of Lykeion	Min 17.5 points		UG	No (not with 15 or higher in English)
Finland	Ylioppilastutkinto / Studentexamen	*Pass Ylioppilastutkinto with a minimum grade of Magna cum laude approbatur equivalent to Dist HE or UK degree depending on the type of institution - check Natic equivalent to below GCSE	Equivalent to A level	UG	Yes
Philippines	Bachelor of ...			UG	Yes
Philippines	High School Diploma	equivalent to below GCSE			
Scotland	Standards	equivalent to above GCSE so if comparing for L2 quals, can accept 1 to 4	Needs A/1's in addition		NO
Germany	Diplom-Dolmetscherin	Natic confirmed that this is equivalent to UK BA honrs degree NOT an MA. It is the old style of teaching which Germans believe it's a Masters level but Natic's assessment says it isn't.	Equivalent to UK Honrs Degree	PG	
Sweden	Sturberyg / Avgångsbeleg från Gymnasieskolan	Minimum of 15		UG	No (not with VG in English)
Spain	Titulo de Bachillerato	Minimum of 6 to pass but may not be high enough for every degree programme. Media prod = min 6.4, engineering = min 8 in Maths and physical science, 280 UCAS pts = min 7.5		UG	
Czech Republic	Maturita	Min 3 to pass (1-5, 5 is min) but 280pt course = min 2 (very gd) (as per RH 06/04/11)	Equivalent to A level	UG	Yes

**University of Derby**

We use basic UK entry criteria, A levels etc.

We use our own internal guidance on popular Countries compiled from internal knowledge and our International Recruitment Officers (IRO's) knowledge.

UK NARIC is our main reference as it is continually update so we use this service rather than creating our own version internally, we do learn from IRO's don't always take UK NARIC as gospel.

Entry requirements for some countries are listed in some of our international prospectus.





English language proficiency

10. All students of the University are required to demonstrate an acceptable proficiency in the English language prior to registration. Proficiency is required to be in the context of academic study, and is defined by Senate in a range of formal language assessments as:

IELTS	Overall score	6.5	Please note that these scores represent the University minimum: individual Schools and/or Course Directors may set higher standards, providing these are communicated in advance to applicants, e.g. in the prospectus.
	~ writing element	6.0	
TOEFL	- paper test	580	
	~ TWE	4.5	
	- computer test ~ essay rating 4.5	237	
TOEIC	Overall score	830	
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English		grade C	
Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English		grade C	

11. Applicants obtaining these scores shall be deemed to have provided sufficient evidence of English language proficiency. Faculty Boards may choose to proceed with an offer of admission if it has received alternative documentary evidence to demonstrate an equivalent proficiency. Examples of appropriate documentary evidence include:

- alternative formal assessments not included in the list above, providing some comparator to the scores above can be identified;
- information provided by the Admissions Office relating to formal academic qualifications and international higher education systems, based on advice provided by NARIC or UKCISA;
- reports of informal assessments relating to English language proficiency undertaken by staff of the University;
- reports of informal assessments undertaken by staff at agreed partner institutions and reviewed by staff of the University.

12. In accepting the alternative documentary evidence and making an offer, the School is acknowledging that the ability of the student to learn in English is acceptable and is committing to ensuring that any individual learning support identified after registration will be provided.

13. The following categories of applicant shall be exempt from providing evidence:

- applicants who have studied at higher education level in the UK;
- applicants who have studied at secondary and higher education levels in another country or countries where the principal language is English, and which are on a list of countries maintained by the Registrar.



# University of Gloucester

Botswana – BGCSE Grades A - C  
Ghana -- WAEC/SSCE Grades A - C  
Hong Kong -- Cambridge GCSE Grades A - C  
India – HSC/12th Grade 65%  
Kenya -- KCSE Grades A - C  
Malaysia -- 1119 English paper Grades A - C  
Mauritius – either Indian HSC/ 12th grade 65% or Cambridge GCSE Grades A - C  
Nigeria -- WAEC/SSCE/NECO Grades A – C  
Rwanda – RNEC Grades A-C  
Singapore -- Cambridge GCSE Grades A - C  
South Africa – Senior Certificate Grades A - C  
Sri Lanka – Sri Lankan GCE (post 2000) Grades A - C  
Tanzania – East African CE/CSE Grades A - C  
Uganda -- East African CE/CSE Grades A - C  
Zambia – ZSC Grades A – C.



### Tests accepted as evidence of CEFR B2 for SGUL International students

Due to NHS funding of programmes allied to medicine and DoH limits on international students on medical training programmes, the number of places for international students at SGUL is low. Additionally, due to the academic rigor and placement elements of our courses which require patient contact, the number of qualifications we will accept in place of a SELT is limited.

Qualification		Undergraduate Entry Requirement
International Baccalaureate		Standard level; minimum 5
Canada Year 12 Certificate/Diploma		75% + in English
Hong Kong Singapore Sri Lanka Brunei	GCSE/O-Level	A1 in English Language (currently under review)
All other countries		SELT exceeding CEFR B2, requiring C1 in all four components. (Equivalent to IELTS 7)
INTO Foundation Pathway Programme		Academic English element - 68%



See website for other countries



## Entry requirements for students from Libya

### Libya

All international applicants for LJMU courses are required to have an internationally recognised English language qualification such as IELTS or TOEFL.

	IELTS	TOEFL (PBT)	TOEFL (CBT)	TOEFL (IBT)
International Foundation Programme	4.5	480	150	52
Undergraduate Programmes	6.0	560	220	83
Postgraduate Programmes	6.0- 6.5	580	233	90-91

*NB: The following information is for guidance only and entry requirements can vary between courses*

### Entry onto our Undergraduate programmes-(BA, BSc, BEng)

We are happy to consider a number of qualifications for direct entry onto our undergraduate bachelor degree programmes. All applications for undergraduate programmes must be made through UCAS.

<http://www.ucas.com/>

### A Levels

Applicants with a minimum of 3 A levels or 2 A levels + 2 AS levels will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

### International Baccalaureate

Applicants with a minimum of 28 points will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

## Secondary Education Certificate, Higher Diploma

Students holding a secondary education certificate with exceptional results will require a foundation course for entry onto undergraduate programmes. Those students with a higher diploma may be considered for direct entry onto our undergraduate programmes.

## Foundation Programmes

If you do not meet the above entry criteria, we offer a programme that will improve your English and academic ability. Our Foundation Year will prepare you for undergraduate study and, on successful completion, you will be guaranteed entry onto a wide range of our undergraduate degree programmes.

[Read more information.](#)

## For Entry onto our Postgraduate Taught Programmes – (MA, MSc)

Applicants with a good bachelor degree from a recognised university in Libya will be considered for direct admissions to postgraduate diploma or taught Masters Programmes.

## For Entry onto Our MBA programme

Applicants with a good bachelor degree from a recognised university in Libya will be considered for direct admissions.

## For Entry onto Our Executive MBA programme

Applicants with a good bachelor degree from a recognised university in Libya and at least three years' postgraduate-work experience will be considered for direct admission to the executive MBA.

## For Entry to Postgraduate Research Programmes- (MPhil, PhD)

Holders of a bachelor degree and a doctorate with very high grades from a recognised





# Entry requirements for students from Malaysia

## Malaysia

All international applicants for LJMU courses are required to have an internationally recognised English language qualification such as IELTS or TOEFL.

	IELTS	TOEFL	TOEFL	TOEFL
		(PBT)	(CBT)	(IBT)
International Foundation Programme	4.5	480	150	52
Undergraduate Programmes	6.0	560	220	83
Postgraduate Programmes	6.0-6.5	580	233	90-91

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### **Entry onto our Undergraduate programmes-(BA, BSc, BEng)**

We are happy to consider a number of qualifications for direct entry onto our undergraduate bachelor degree programmes. All applications for undergraduate programmes must be made through UCAS.

<http://www.ucas.com/>

### **A Level**

Applicants with a minimum of 3 A levels or 2 A levels + 2 AS levels will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

### **International Baccalaureate**

Applicants with a minimum of 28 points will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate

programmes.

**Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysian qualification, (STPM)**

Applicants with equivalent grades to A Level being required in three of the five subjects studied will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

**Malaysian Independent Chinese Secondary School (MICSS)**

Applicants with maximum 12 points from 4 subjects will be considered for direct entry to undergraduate BSc & Eng programmes.

Applicants with 15 points from 6 subjects will be considered for direct entry to undergraduate BA programmes.

Applicants with 18 points from 6 subjects will be considered for direct entry to undergraduate law programmes.

**Matriculation Certificate of the Senior Secondary Assessment Board of South Australia (SAM)**

Applicants with a RAW score of 80 or better will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

**Victoria Certificate of Education**

Applicants with an average of grade B will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes. Some academic departments may require a higher average grade.

**Canadian High School or Secondary School Diplomas**

Applicants with an overall score of 70 - 80% will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate degree programmes.

**University Institut Teknologi Mara (UTM)**

Diploma holders and University students with a minimum GPA 3.4 will be considered for direct admission to the first year of undergraduate programmes. Some academic departments may consider students for direct admission to the second year of undergraduate programmes.

**UK Business and Technician Education Council (BTEC) Diplomas**

Holders of a BTEC National Diploma with distinction or merit grades will be considered for direct entry to

undergraduate degree programmes.

Applicants who have completed the first year of a BTEC Higher National Diploma with distinction or merit grades will be considered for direct entry to undergraduate degree programmes.

### **Other Qualifications**

Certificate and Diploma holders from Polytechnics, Institutes of Technology, and private colleges, will also be considered for admission to Bachelor degree courses.

### **Foundation Programmes**

If you do not meet the above entry criteria, we offer a programme that will improve your English and academic ability. Our Foundation Year will prepare you for undergraduate study and, on successful completion, you will be guaranteed entry onto a wide range of our undergraduate degree programmes.

[Read more information.](#)

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### **For Entry onto our Postgraduate Taught Programmes-(MA, MSc)**

Holders of a good bachelor degree from a recognised Malaysian university will be considered for direct admission to postgraduate diploma or masters programmes.

### **For Entry onto our MBA programme**

Holders of a good bachelor degree from a recognised Malaysian university will be considered for direct admission.

### **For Entry onto our Executive MBA programme**

Holders of a good bachelor degree from a recognised Malaysian university and at least 3 years' post-graduation work experience will be considered for direct admission to the MBA.

### **For Entry onto our Postgraduate Research Programmes-(MPhil, PhD)**

Holders of a good bachelor degree and a good masters degree from a recognised Malaysian university will be considered for direct admission to postgraduate research programmes.

If you are in any doubt about whether you are eligible to study at LJMU, please complete the

International Enquiries form

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Profiles

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# Entry requirements for students from Canada

## Entry onto our Undergraduate programmes-(BA, BSc, BEng)

We are happy to consider a number of qualifications for direct entry onto our undergraduate bachelor degree programmes. All applications for undergraduate programmes must be made through UCAS.

[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

*NB: The following information is for guidance only and entry requirements can vary between courses.*

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### **A Levels**

Applicants with a minimum of 3 A levels or 2 A levels + 2 AS levels will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

### **International Baccalaureate**

Applicants with a minimum of 28 points will be considered for direct admission to undergraduate programmes.

### **High School Diplomas, etc...**

**Alberta** - a General High School Diploma is generally considered to satisfy the entrance requirements our undergraduate programmes if awarded with an average of at least 65% in five acceptable grade 12

courses.

**British Columbia** - the Senior Secondary Graduation Diploma is generally considered to satisfy the entrance requirements of British HE institutions if awarded with at least five Bs (BBBBB) in acceptable grade 12 courses.

**Manitoba** - the High School Graduation Diploma is generally considered to satisfy the entrance requirements of our undergraduate programmes if five credits have been awarded at 300 level in at least four subject areas and with at least 65% achieved in each of these areas.

**Ontario** - the Ontario Academic Courses (OACs) are generally considered to satisfy the general entrance requirements of our undergraduate programmes if six OACs are passed - three at grade B and three at grade C.

**Saskatchewan** - the Completion Grade 12 Standing/Division IV Standing (Secondary School Diploma) is generally considered to satisfy the entrance requirements of our undergraduate programmes if awarded with an average of at least 65% in five acceptable subjects.

### **Foundation Programmes**

If you do not meet the above entry criteria, we offer a programme that will improve your English and academic ability. Our Foundation Year will prepare you for undergraduate study and, on successful completion, you will be guaranteed entry onto a wide range of our undergraduate degree programmes.

[Read more information.](#)

### **For Entry onto our Postgraduate Taught Programmes – (MA, MSc)**

Applicants with a good bachelor degree from a recognised university in Canada will be considered for direct admissions to postgraduate diploma or taught Masters Programmes.

**For Entry onto Our MBA programme**

Applicants with a good bachelor degree from a recognised university in Canada will be considered for direct admissions.

**For Entry onto Our Executive MBA programme**

Applicants with a good bachelor degree from a recognised university in Canada and at least three years' postgraduate-work experience will be considered for direct admission to the executive MBA.

**For Entry to Postgraduate Research Programmes- (MPhil, PhD)**

Holders of a bachelor degree and a masters degree from a recognised university in Canada will be considered for direct admission to postgraduate research programmes.

If you are in any doubt about whether you are eligible to study at LJMU, please complete the [International Enquiries form](#)

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## **Canada**

**Canadian Student  
Profile**

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Canada

Mexico

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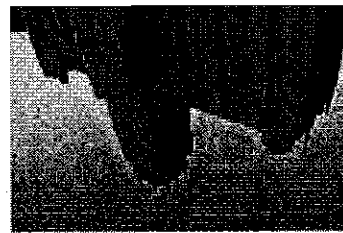
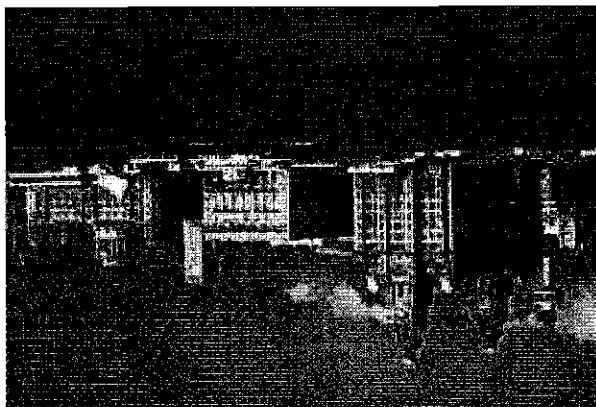
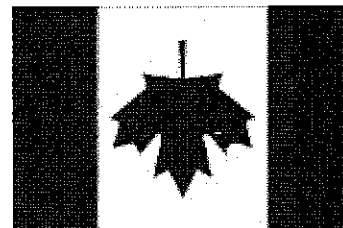
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Postgraduate entry

For all taught programmes the higher level of required English will be mandatory. If your first language is not English, you must supply suitable evidence (an original certificate that is not more than two years old and issued by the responsible body) that you have reached the relevant standard before you may be offered a place.

The University recognises only certain English tests and these requirements are set out below:

	Standard English requirement	Higher English requirement
IELTS	7.0 Minimum 6.5 per component	7.5 Minimum 7.0 per component
TOEFL	600 Minimum <i>Test of Written English</i> score – 4.5	630 Minimum <i>Test of Written English</i> score – 5
Internet-based TOEFL	100 Minimum component scores*: Listening - 21 Reading - 22 Speaking - 23 Writing - 21	109 Minimum component scores*: Listening - 21 Reading - 22 Speaking - 23 Writing - 21
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English	C	B

\* Minimum scores as required by the UK Border Agency for the purposes of obtaining a visa

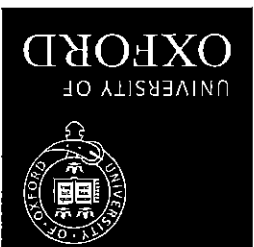
## Undergraduate entry

- IELTS: overall score of 7.0 (with at least 7.0 in each of the four components)
- TOEFL (paper-based): overall score of 600 with a Test of Written English score of 5.5
- TOEFL (internet-based): overall score of 100
- Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): grade A
- Cambridge Certificate for Proficiency in English (CPE): grade B
- English Language GCSE, IGCSE or O-level: grade B
- International Baccalaureate Standard Level (SL): score of 5 in English
- European Baccalaureate: score of 70% in English.

If this is not achieved at the time of application it will form part of any conditional offer, and must be met by August 2011.

For 2011 entry onwards, an exemption from this requirement will be considered for applicants who have been educated **full-time** in the medium of the English Language **throughout** the two most recent years before the 15 October application deadline, and who remain in full-time education conducted in the English Language until the start of their course.

Please note that all students who require a visa to study in the UK will need to meet the new UKBA requirement for English language proficiency that was introduced on 21 April 2011. Your college will discuss this with you when preparing your CAS number for your visa application, if your application to study here is successful.



Accepted Tests at B2 Level

General Qualification	Undergraduate level (B2)
IELTS	Overall 6.0 with 5.5 in each component
TOEFL IBT	Overall 80 with: Listening – 21 / Reading – 22 / Speaking – 23 / Writing - 21
International Baccalaureate	English Standard – Grade 4
International GCSE	English as a First Language – Grade C
Cambridge Overseas School Certificate	Grades 1-6
East African Certificate of Education (EACE)	Grades 1-6
West African Higher School Certificate	Grades 1-6
Country Specific	Undergraduate level (B2)
Australia	Year 10 Certificate – Grade C English
Botswana	BGCSE – Grade C
Brunei	GCSE O-Level – Grade C
Bulgaria	Diploma za Sredno Spetsialno Obrazovanie / Svidetelstvo za Profesionalna Kvalifikasia – Grade 5
Canada	Grade 11 Secondary School Diploma (general level) – 60%
Czech Republic	Maturitní Zkouška / Maturita / Vysvedčení o Maturitní Zkoušce (Maturita from vocational/technical schools) – Grade 3
Denmark	Studentereksamen – Grade 7
Eire	Leaving Certificate at Ordinary / Standard level – Grade C
Finland	Yliopilastutkinto / Studentexamen – Grade 4 (C)

France	Option International de Baccalaureate – Grade 12 Standard Baccalaureate – Grade 13
Germany	Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife (Abitur) – Grade 10
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Certificate of Education (HKCEE) English Language - Grade 4 (C)
	Hong Kong A Level / HKALE AS Level English Language - Grade C
	The Hong Kong Diploma in Secondary Education (HKDSE)- English Language at Level 3
Hungary	Erettsegi /Matura – Grade 2
India	CBSE / CISCE / WBCHSEB Standard XII – 70%
Lithuania	Brandos Atestatas – 9 State Exams - 50
Malaysia	SPM Syllabus 1119 – 6C
Netherlands	Diploma Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO) – Grade 7
Norway	Vitnemål awarded from Videregående Skole – Grade 4
Poland	Matura Extended Level in English Language – 55%
Singapore	Singapore/Cambridge GCE O Level – Grade - C
Sweden	Avgångsbetyg (previously Studentexamen) / Slutbetyg från Komvux / Fullständigt Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskolan – VG Level
	High School Graduation Diploma English (grade 12) – Grade C / 75%
	USA

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Name of Test	Level Required		
	B2	B2-C1	C1
<b>CEFR</b>			
<b>IELTS</b>	5.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	6.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	7.0 (min 5.5 in all sections)
Pearson Test of English (PTE)	59 (min 59 in all skills)	62 (min 59 in all skills)	76 (min 59 in all skills)
IBTOEFL	87	94 (min 21 listening, 22 reading, 23 speaking 21 writing)	100 (min 21 listening, 22 reading, 23 speaking 21 writing)
TOEFL Paper based	570	587	610
TOEIC	Listening 400, reading 385, speaking 160 writing 150		Listening 490, reading 455, speaking 180 writing 180
Cambridge Advanced Test (CAE)	B	B	A
Cambridge Proficiency Test (CPE)	C	C	B
Test of English for Educational Purposes (TEEP)	6.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	6.5 (min 5.5 in all sections)	7.0 (min 5.5 in all sections)
GCSE O Level delivered in England	Grade D/C	Grade C	Grade B
GCSE O Level delivered overseas	D/C English language/literature		
GCE AS Level delivered in England	E		
GCE AS level overseas	E English Language/literature		
GCE A Levels delivered in England	E	D	C
GCE A Levels Delivered overseas	E English language or literature		
GCE O Level	Grade C	Grade C	Grade B
IGCSE English	C	C	C
International Baccalaureate English A1 or A2 (Standard or Higher Level)	5	5	6
International Baccalaureate English B (Higher Level)	4	4	4



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	6	6	7
European Baccalaureate (first or second language)			
Trinity ISE	Level III	Level III	Level IV
Michigan (MELAB)	82-83	82-83	84-87
Canadian Academic English language assessment	70 (no subset below 60)	70 (no subset below 60)	80 (no subset below 60)
Hong Kong Use of English – AS Level	C	C	B
WAEC SSCE/NECO Examinations	C6	C6	B3 (IELTS 7.5 equiv)
International Legal English Certificate	C1	C1	C1
India – Standard XII	65% (central/metro boards) 70% (state boards)	75% (central/metro boards) 80% (state boards)	75% (central/metro boards) 80% (state boards)
Kenyan Certificate of Education	C		
US High School	B in English/Eng Lit at grade 11 or 12		
NZ National Certificate of Education	8 credits and level 2 or higher in NCEA English; 4 credits must be in reading and 4 credits must be in writing		





**In-country English Language Qualifications**

The following qualifications have been mapped by Birmingham City University and have been deemed to show that students are B2 in all 4 components. As further mapping is completed, we hope to extend this list further.

Qualification	Grades
Malaysian SPM (achieved between 2000 and 2008)	A1, A2, B3 & B4
Malaysian SPM (achieved after 2009)	A+, A, A-, B+ & B
Indian Standard XII (Central Board Secondary Education)	65% and above
West African Examination Council (WAEC)	A to C or 1 to 6
Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)	Overall 87: Reading 21, Listening 22, Speaking 23, Writing 21
Pearson's Test of English (PTE)	Reading 59, Listening 59, Speaking 59, Writing 59

**CAS Wording**

Depending on the student's circumstances, one of the following statements should be used in the "Evidence" section of the CAS:

- For students joining a pre-sessional course or any other course below degree level (including Year 0 at TEE), you need to include the overall IELTS score and the individual band scores.
- For students joining a degree programme, who have taken IELTS, you need to include the overall IELTS score and the individual band scores.
- For students joining a degree programme, who have taken the Malaysian SPM, Indian Standard XII (CBSE) or WAEC , please use the statement:  
 "The student has a knowledge of English equivalent to CEFR level B2"
- For students joining a degree programme, who are a national of a majority English-speaking country (as per the UKBA's list), please use the statement:  
 "The student is a national of **name of country** – no further language test required"
- For students joining a degree programme, who have completed a qualification equivalent to a UK degree in a majority English-speaking country (as per the UKBA's list), please use the statement:  
 "The student has completed degree in **name of country** – no further language test required"

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**IELTS & BAND SCORES**

	IELTS	Offer Wording	Main Course Requirement
10 weeks pre-sessional	5.0 overall (min of 4.5 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 5.0 overall with a minimum of 4.5 in all bands	6.0
	5.5 overall (min of 5.0 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 5.5 overall with a minimum of 5.0 in all bands	6.5
5 weeks pre-sessional	5.5 overall (min of 5.0 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 5.5 overall with a minimum of 5.0 in all bands	6.0
	6.0 overall (min of 5.5 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 6.0 overall with a minimum of 4.5 in all bands	6.5
Degree course 6.0	6.0 overall (min of 5.5 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 6.0 overall with a minimum of 5.5 in all bands	N/A
Degree course 6.5	6.5 overall (min of 6.0 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 6.5 overall with a minimum of 6.0 in all bands	N/A
Degree course 7.0	7.0 overall (min of 6.5 in all bands)	Achieve IELTS 7.0 overall with a minimum of 6.5 in all bands	N/A

These charts are only for students who require a Tier 4 Visa and need to meet minimum Tier 4 English requirements.

<b>Courses with IELTS 5.0 Requirement</b>					
UKBA & UAL Approved TEST	Score Required	Minimum Listening	Minimum Reading	Minimum Speaking	Minimum Writing
IELTS Academic	5.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
TOEFL iBT	60	13*	10	19*	17*
PTE Academic	43*	43*	43*	43*	43*
CPE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
TOEIC	995	275*	275*	120	120

\* UKBA minimum requirements

<b>Courses with IELTS 5.5 Requirement</b>					
UKBA & UAL Approved TEST	Score Required	Minimum Listening	Minimum Reading	Minimum Speaking	Minimum Writing
IELTS Academic	5.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
TOEFL iBT	70	13*	13	19*	17*
PTE Academic	43*	43*	43*	43*	43*
CPE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	B or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
TOEIC	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid

\* UKBA minimum requirements

<b>Courses with IELTS 6.0 Requirement</b>					
UKBA & UAL Approved TEST	Score Required	Minimum Listening	Minimum Reading	Minimum Speaking	Minimum Writing
IELTS Academic	6.0	5.5*	5.5*	5.5*	5.5*
TOEFL iBT	87*	21*	22*	23*	21*
PTE Academic	59*	59*	59*	59*	59*
CPE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	A	borderline	borderline	borderline	borderline
TOEIC	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid

\* UKBA minimum requirements

These charts are only for students who require a Tier 4 Visa and need to meet minimum Tier 4 English requirements.

Courses with IELTS 6.5 Requirement					
UKBA & UAL Approved TEST	Score Required	Minimum Listening	Minimum Reading	Minimum Speaking	Minimum Writing
IELTS (Academic)	6.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
TOEFL (iBT)	90	21*	22*	23*	21*
PTE (Academic)	59*	59*	59*	59*	59*
CPE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	B or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CEFR	B or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
IELTS (General)	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
TOEFL (PBT)	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
TOEFL (SPEAKING)	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid

\* UKBA minimum requirements

Courses with IELTS 7.0 Requirement					
UKBA & UAL Approved TEST	Score Required	Minimum Listening	Minimum Reading	Minimum Speaking	Minimum Writing
IELTS (Academic)	7.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
TOEFL (iBT)	100	21*	22*	23*	21*
PTE (Academic)	65	59*	59*	59*	59*
CPE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	A or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CEFR	A or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
IELTS (General)	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
TOEFL (PBT)	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
TOEFL (SPEAKING)	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid

\* UKBA minimum requirements

CPE = Cambridge Proficiency Exam (Cambridge ESOL)  
 CAE = Cambridge Advanced Exam (Cambridge ESOL)  
 FCE = First Certificate of English (Cambridge ESOL)

These charts are for students who *do not* need a Tier 4 General Student visa. They are also for students who have an exemption from the UKBA's minimum Tier 4 English requirements.

<b>Courses with IELTS 5.0 Requirement</b>					
<b>TEST</b>	<b>Score Required</b>	<b>Minimum Listening</b>	<b>Minimum Reading</b>	<b>Minimum Speaking</b>	<b>Minimum Writing</b>
IELTS (Academic)	5.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
TOEFL ibt	60	10	10	10	10
PTE Academic	36	25	25	25	25
CPE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
TOEIC	995	275	275	120	120
<b>Courses with IELTS 5.5 Requirement</b>					
<b>TEST</b>	<b>Score Required</b>	<b>Minimum Listening</b>	<b>Minimum Reading</b>	<b>Minimum Speaking</b>	<b>Minimum Writing</b>
IELTS (Academic)	5.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
TOEFL ibt	70	13	13	13	13
PTE Academic	42	29	29	29	29
CPE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	D or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	B or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
TOEIC	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
<b>Courses with IELTS 6.0 Requirement</b>					
<b>TEST</b>	<b>Score Required</b>	<b>Minimum Listening</b>	<b>Minimum Reading</b>	<b>Minimum Speaking</b>	<b>Minimum Writing</b>
IELTS (Academic)	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
TOEFL ibt	80	15	15	15	15
PTE Academic	50	36	36	36	36
CPE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	A	weak	weak	weak	weak
TOEIC	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
<b>Courses with IELTS 6.5 Requirement</b>					
<b>TEST</b>	<b>Score Required</b>	<b>Minimum Listening</b>	<b>Minimum Reading</b>	<b>Minimum Speaking</b>	<b>Minimum Writing</b>
IELTS (Academic)	6.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
TOEFL ibt	90	17	17	17	17
PTE Academic	58	42	42	42	42
CPE	C or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
CAE	B or higher	weak	weak	weak	weak
FCE	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid
TOEIC	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid	not valid

This chart updated May 2011

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### Courses with IELTS 7.0 Requirement

IELTS	TOEFL iBT	PTE Academic	CPE	CAE	FCE	TOEIC
7.0	100	65	C or higher	A or higher	not valid	not valid
6.0	20	50	weak	weak	not valid	not valid
6.0	20	50	weak	weak	not valid	not valid
6.0	20	50	weak	weak	not valid	not valid

CPE = Cambridge Proficiency Exam (Cambridge ESOL)  
 CAE = Cambridge Advanced Exam (Cambridge ESOL)  
 FCE = First Certificate of English (Cambridge ESOL)

Nb. Students with these qualifications do not need to provide minimum scores for Reading, Writing, Speaking or Listening.

TEST	IBTS 2017	IBTS 2018	IBTS 2019	IBTS 2020
GCSE/IGCSE	C	C	C	B
A' level English*	contact Suzanne	C	C	B
European Baccalaureate	contact Suzanne	L1 grade 6, L2 grade 7	L1 grade 6 L2 grade 7	L1 grade 7 L2 grade 7.5
International Baccalaureate (IB)	minimum grade 4 in A or B HL or SL	IB B SL grade 6 IB B HL -grade 4 IB A1 or A2 HL or SL - grade 4	IB B SL grade 6 IB B HL -grade 5 IB A1 or A2 HL or SL - grade 5	IB B SL grade 7 IB B HL -grade 5 IB A1 or A2 HL or SL grade 5
German Abitur	contact Suzanne	grade 11	grade 12	grade 12
Iceland Studentsprof	grade 6	grade 7	grade 8	grade 8
Norway Vitnemal	grade 4	grade 4	grade 5	grade 5
Swedish Slutbetyg	G	G	VG	VG
FdA	merit	distinction	not valid	not valid
UK university degree**	contact Suzanne	2 : 2	2 : 1	2 : 1
Graduate Diploma	contact Suzanne	distinction	contact Suzanne	not valid
PgDip	contact Suzanne	merit	distinction	distinction
TEEP	5.5 with minimum 4.5 in Reading, Listening and Writing. Minimum 'average' in Language Knowledge	6.0 with minimum 5.0 in Reading, Listening and Writing. Minimum 'average' in Language Knowledge	6.5 with minimum 5.5 in Reading, Listening and Writing. Minimum 'average' in Language Knowledge	7.0 with minimum 6.0 in Reading, Listening and Writing. Minimum 'average' in Language Knowledge
				7.5 with minimum 6.5 in Reading, Listening and Writing. Minimum 'above average' in Language Knowledge

**Certificates must not be more than 2 years old on June 1<sup>st</sup> in the year of enrolment. For courses starting in January, certificates must not be more than 2 years old on September 1st in the year prior to enrolment**

\* A' levels in subjects other than English may be acceptable on their own, please check with Suzanne. Normally, a student would have IGCSE/GCSE English prior to A level study, and a grade C would be acceptable for undergraduate study and a grade B would be acceptable for post grad.study

All certificates valid for 2 years only

\* A' levels in subjects other than English may be acceptable on their own, please check with Suzanne. Normally, a student would have IGCSE/GCSE English prior to A level study, and a grade C would be acceptable for undergraduate study and a grade B would be acceptable for post grad.study





\* RVC = 75 incoming UG Intl students.  
 >20 from non-ELC consideration countries.  
All have IELTS 6.5 or higher as we stipulate.  
 Small + manageable.

#### ROYAL VETERINARY COLLEGE

The vast majority of our international applications are from North America, which received majority English Language consideration. This means that we are not required to provide English Language proficiency to the UKBA for these students in question.

For students who come from a country where they are taught in English but which is not listed as being UKBA Exempt, and which is not listed below (Singapore, in our case), we have been advised to quote the following statement:

*'We have assessed this student's English language ability and confirm that it is equivalent to CEFR Level B2 or higher in each of the four components of language learning. No documents are required to be submitted as evidence of this'*

If any other International applicants meet our academic entrance prerequisites but do not come from one of the countries listed below, they usually offer the IELTS qualification, which meets the B2 specification. Any applicants who hold any other English Language qualifications, or who would like further advice on our English Language requirement are advised to contact us directly. We will assess these queries on an individual basis.

United Kingdom	GCSE English Language at Grade B or higher  If studying on the Birkbeck College Certificate of Higher Education in Life Sciences for Subjects Allied to Medicine, Key Skills Level 2 in Communication would suffice.
Ireland	Irish Leaving Certificate, Ordinary Level at Grade B
Scotland	Scottish Highers Intermediate 2, or Standard Credit Grade 1 or 2 in English
International Baccalaureate	Standard Grade, 6 or higher (if not taken at GCSE or equivalent)
IGCSE	IGCSE English Grade B or higher
Hong Kong	Hong King Diploma, Grade 4 in English
Malaysia	STPM Subsidiary Level English, Grade B
IELTS	Overall Score of 6.5 or higher, 7.0 for Veterinary Nursing (meeting Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons stipulation).
Pearson Test of English	Overall score of at least 65



## Undergraduate study

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### English language requirements

Applicants whose first language is not English should be able to show evidence of their English language ability. Typical English as a foreign language requirements of our Departments are listed in the table below. If you have a choice of qualifications, we prefer **IELTS** for its detailed reporting.

#### Update

From the 21st April 2011 the UK Border Agency (UKBA) introduced changes to the Tier 4 general student visa route. Further Tier 4 policy guidance is available on the [UKBA website](#)

One of the changes has impacted on English Language requirements, with the UKBA now requiring applicants intending to study at degree level and above to have achieved level B2 in each of the four language components.

**With immediate effect the University minimum English Language requirements have been amended to reflect this change, and are detailed below.**

It is important to note that English Language requirements for Tier 4 general student visa purposes may be different from those required at programme level. Unless otherwise specified, University minimum component scores are no less than indicated below.

If you have already applied to the University of York, see our [FAQ's](#) for further information

#### Minimum requirements

The University's minimum English language requirements are:

- IELTS: 6.0 (in the 'Academic' test)
  - Listening – 5.5
  - Speaking – 5.5
  - Reading – 5.5
  - Writing – 5.5
  
- TOEFL: internet-based (iBT) 87
  - Listening – 21
  - Speaking – 23
  - Reading – 22
  - Writing – 21
  
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): C
  
- Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE): A

However, most departments have a minimum requirement of at least IELTS 6.5 or equivalent and some require 7.0. **Unless otherwise specified, University minimum component scores are no less than indicated above.**

We seek formal confirmation of all test results. For this purpose, if you are intending to take a TOEFL test please enter our Designated Institution code 3065 on your test form.

Only English language tests taken in the last two years are valid for entrance purposes.

**Pre-session English language programmes**

Applicants may already have an IELTS result of 6.0 but require 6.5 overall, or have met the overall language requirement but not one of the skill components (where these are specified, e.g., writing 6.0 or 6.5). In this situation, applicants can take a pre-session programme with the Centre for English Language Teaching (CELT). These programmes provide a route into a Master's course without the need for an IELTS/TOEFL exam retake. If the pre-session course is not shown amongst the requirements of the Department you are applying to, please contact the Department to check whether this would be an acceptable alternative to the language tests listed.

Any applicants intending to complete a TOEFL qualification should enter the University's DI (Designated Institution) Code **3065** when they register for their test.

### Departmental requirements

#### Table key

- ▶ **CPE** Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English
- ▶ **CAE** Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English

▶ Where an IELTS score is marked with a **u**, the Department asks for at least 6.0 in all units of IELTS.

Unless otherwise specified University minimum component scores apply.

Department	IELTS	TOEFL	CAE	CPE	GCSE / IGCSE English Language
Archaeology	6.5	100	A	C	C
Biology	6.5 u	100	A	C	C
Chemistry	6.5	100	A	C	C
Computer Science and Engineering	6.5 u	100	A	C	C
Economics and Related	6.5 u	100	A	C	C

**Studies**

<b>Educational Studies</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Electronics</b>	6.0	87	A	C	C
<b>English and Related Literature</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Environment</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>History</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>History of Art</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Language and Linguistic Science</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Law</b>	6.5 u	100	A	C	C
<b>Management School</b>	6.5 u	100	A	C	C
<b>Mathematics</b>	6.5 u	100	A	C	C
<b>Medicine (Hull York Medical School)</b>	IELTS of 7.5 and not less than 7 in all units				
<b>Music</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Nursing and Midwifery</b>	IELTS of 7.0				
<b>Philosophy</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Politics, Economics and Philosophy (PEP)</b>	6.5, including 6.5 in writing	100	A	C	C
<b>Physics</b>	6.0 u	87	A	C	C
<b>Politics</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Psychology</b>	6.5u	100	A	C	C
<b>Social Policy and Social Work</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Sociology</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<b>Theatre, Film and Television</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C

Please note that we do not accept GCSE/IGCSE English (Second Language).

**Who to contact**

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## Postgraduate study

### English language requirements

2011/12

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#### For graduates starting 2011/12

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##### **Update**

From the 21st April 2011 the UK Border Agency (UKBA) introduced changes to the Tier 4 general student visa route. Further Tier 4 policy guidance is available on the [UKBA website](#)

One of the changes has impacted on English Language requirements, with the UKBA now requiring applicants intending to study at degree level and above to have achieved level B2 in each of the four language components.

**With immediate effect the University minimum English Language requirements have been amended to reflect this change, and are detailed below.**

It is important to note that English Language requirements for Tier 4 general student visa purposes may be different from those required at programme level. Unless otherwise specified, University minimum component scores are no less than indicated below.

If you have already applied to the University of York, see our [FAQ's](#) for further information.

##### **Minimum requirements**

The University's minimum English language requirements are:

- IELTS: 6.0 (in the 'Academic' test)
  - o Listening – 5.5
  - o Speaking – 5.5
  - o Reading – 5.5
  - o Writing – 5.5
  
- TOEFL: internet-based (iBT) 87
  - o Listening – 21
  - o Speaking – 23
  - o Reading – 22
  - o Writing – 21
  
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): C
  
- Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE): A

• GCSE/IGCSE in English Language: C

However, most departments have a minimum requirement of at least IELTS 6.5 or equivalent and some require 7.0. Unless otherwise specified, University minimum component scores are no less than indicated above.

We seek formal confirmation of all test results. For this purpose, if you are intending to take a TOEFL test please enter our Designated Institution code 3065 on your test form.

Only English language tests taken in the last two years are valid for entrance purposes.

**Pre-session English language programmes**

Applicants may already have an IELTS result of 6.0 but require 6.5 overall, or have met the overall language requirement but not one of the skill components (where these are specified, e.g., writing 6.0 or 6.5). In this situation, applicants can take a pre-session programme with the Centre for English Language Teaching (CELT). These programmes provide a route into a Master's course without the need for an IELTS/TOEFL exam retake. If the pre-session course is not shown amongst the requirements of the Department you are applying to, please contact the Department to check whether this would be an acceptable alternative to the language tests listed.

We seek formal confirmation of all test results. For this purpose, if you are intending to take a TOEFL test please enter our Designated Institution code 3065 on your test form.

### Departmental requirements

#### Table key

CPE Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English  
CAE Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English

Department	IELTS	TOEFL Internet	CAE	CPE	GCSE / IGCSE**
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Archaeology	6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in Writing and Speaking	100	-	C	C
Biology	6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component	100	A	C	C
Chemistry	6.0	87	A	C	C
Communication Studies	6.5	87	-	C	C
Computer Science	6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each	91	-	C	C



<b><i>All taught programmes</i></b>	component				
<b>Computer Science</b>	6.0	87	-	C	C
<b><i>All research programmes</i></b>					
<b>Economics</b>	6.5	100	-	C	C
<b>Education</b>	6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component	92, with a minimum of 24 for Writing, 24 for Speaking, 22 for Listening and 22 for Reading	-	C	C
<b>Electronics</b>	6.0	87	A	C	C
<b>English (and Eighteenth Century Studies)*</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<b>Environment</b>	6.5	92	A	C	C
<b><i>MSc/Diploma in Marine Environmental Management</i></b>					
<b><i>MSc/Diploma in Environmental Science and Management</i></b>					
<b>Environment</b>	6.0	87	A	C	C
<b><i>All other programmes</i></b>					
<b>Health Sciences</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<b>History</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<b>History of Art</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<b>Hull York Medical School</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B

Language and Linguistic Science	7.0, with a minimum of 7.0 in Writing and Speaking	100	-	B	B
Law	6.5	92	A	C	C
LLM in International Human Rights and Practice					
Law	7.0	92	-	B	B
<i>All other programmes</i>					
Management	6.5, with a minimum of 6.5 in writing and a minimum of 6.0 in all other components	92	-	C	C
Mathematics	6.5	92	-	C	C
MSc in Mathematical Finance					
MSc in Financial Engineering					
Year for the Conversion (including online mode)					
MSc in Mathematics	6.0	87	A	C	C
<i>All other programmes</i>					
Medieval Studies	7.0	105	-	B	B
Music	6.5	100	A	C	C
Philosophy	7.0, with a minimum of 7.0 in Writing	105	-	B	B
Physics	6.0	87	A	C	C

<b>Politics</b>	6.5	92	-	C	C
<b>PEP (School of Politics, Economics and Philosophy)</b>	6.5	92	-	C	C
<b>Psychology</b>	6.5	92	-	C	C
<i>MSc in Cognitive Neuroscience</i>					
<i>MRes in Psychology</i>					
<b>Psychology</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<i>All other programmes</i>					
<b>Renaissance and Early Modern Studies</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<b>Social Policy and Social Work</b>	6.5	100	A	C	C
<i>MA in Social Work</i>					
<b>Social Policy and Social Work</b>	6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component	100	A	C	C
<i>All other programmes</i>					
<b>Sociology</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<b>Theatre, Film and Television</b>	7.0	105	-	B	B
<i>MA in Cinema, Television, and Society</i>					
<i>MA in Theatre: Writing, Directing, and Performance</i>					

<b>Theatre, Film, and Television</b>	6.5	92	-	C	C
<i>All other programmes</i>					
<b>Women's Studies</b>	6.5	92	-	C	C

\* Pre-sessional courses in English Language skills, to be taken before the commencement of the degree courses, may be recommended or required.

\*\* Exact GCSE and IGCSE requirements for each department are subject to review and may change.

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**Intensive Summer Programmes**

Course	Entry level (approximate)	Dates	Tuition fee
<b>The Academic Link Course Closed</b>	IELTS 5.5-6.5 TOEFL minimum 200/ ibt 70-79	2 May- 8 July	£2500
<b>12 - week Graduate Certificate in ELT (For students intending to study MATESOL) Closed</b>	IELTS 6.0 writing 5.5 TOEFL 213/ ibt 79 minimum with writing 20	6 July -23 September	£2900
<b>10 - week Management Studies Pre-Sessional Closed</b>	IELTS 6.0 – writing 6.0 TOEFL 213 / 79 ibt with minimum 24 writing	18 July- 23 September	£2500
<b>8-week Pre-sessional (MATESOL/MALLE students) Closed</b>	IELTS 6.0 Writing 6.0 TOEFL 79 with writing 24	1 August – 23 September	£2000
<b>8-week Pre-Sessional (For students not applying to Management or MATESOL) Closed</b>	IELTS 6.0 Writing 6.0 TOEFL 79 with writing 24	1 August – 23 September	£2000
<b>4-week Pre-Sessional Closed</b>	<b>Unconditional language offers only</b>	5 Sept – 1 October	£1000
<b>English for International Communication</b>	IELTS 6.0	18 July - 5 August	£250 per week, 20% discount for registration before 31 May





## Undergraduate study

### Frequently asked questions about English language requirements

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#### **1. I have applied to the University of York but have not yet received a decision on my application.**

University of York requirements have been amended in order to ensure that all applicants achieve at least level B2 in all four components of English language competence (reading, writing, speaking and listening) which matches the UKBA's new requirements on English language ability. (Level B2 corresponds to IELTS 5.5 and TOEFL scores of Listening (21), Reading (22), Speaking (23) and writing (21).) This means that the English language score you will be asked to achieve may be different from that which was advertised at the time you submitted your application. Up-to-date details of English language requirements for each department

#### **2. I am a national of a majority English-speaking country**

The UKBA considers students from the following countries to have a standard of English language proficiency equivalent to level B2.

##### UKBA list of countries with B2 standard

Antigua and Barbuda	Guyana
Australia	Jamaica
The Bahamas	New Zealand
Barbados	St Kitts and Nevis
Belize	St Lucia
Canada	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominica	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	United States of America

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** Your passport which confirms that you are a national of one of these countries.

#### **3. I have completed, or am due to complete, a relevant qualification\* in a majority English-speaking country**

A relevant qualification is one which satisfies University of York entry requirements for an undergraduate programme.

The University of York considers students who have completed a relevant qualification in any of the following countries to have a standard of English language proficiency equivalent to level B2.

List of countries with B2 standard

Antigua and Barbuda	Guyana
Australia	Jamaica
The Bahamas	New Zealand
Barbados	St Kitts and Nevis
Belize	St Lucia
Canada	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominica	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	United States of America

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** Documentation (e.g. certificate or transcript) confirming the award of your degree.

**4. I have completed, or am due to complete, a qualification where the medium of instruction was, or is English.**

The University of York considers students who have completed any of the following qualifications to have a standard of English language proficiency equivalent to level B2.

Recognised English Language course and grade required

GCSE English Language	Grade C or above
GCE O Level English Language	Grade C or above
GCE O Level English Language Syllabus 1119	Grade C or above
International Baccalaureate with English B	5 in English B
English as part of the India Standard XII	75%
International Baccalaureate	English A
Junior College in Singapore	H2 Singapore A levels

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** You will not need to provide the UKBA with any



documents as evidence of your standard of English language. We will confirm in your CAS that we have assessed your English language proficiency.

### **5. I have completed, or am due to complete, a course in the UK as a Tier 4 (Child) Student**

The UKBA considers students who have completed a course in the UK as a Tier 4 (Child) Student to have a standard of English equivalent to level B2. This may include (but is not limited to) A levels or International Foundation programmes.

Courses must be at least 6 months in length and have ended within two years of the date of CAS issuance.

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** Documentation (e.g. certificate or transcript) confirming successful completion of your course.

### **6. I am holding an offer which includes an English language condition but which does not specify component scores. I haven't yet received my English language test results**

We will only be able to issue your CAS if you are able to demonstrate a level of proficiency equivalent to level B2 in all four language components (listening, reading, speaking, writing).

This is equivalent to IELTS component scores of 5.5, and TOEFL scores of Listening (21), Reading (22), Speaking (23) and writing (21).

FAQs 7, 8 and 9 tell you what to do in different circumstances when you receive your results.

### **7. I have taken a recognised English language test (e.g. IELTS/TOEFL/CAE/CPE) and my results meet both the University of York and UKBA requirements**

If you have not already done so, you need to provide us with evidence of your results by emailing [ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk)

Your CAS will be issued as normal once all conditions on your offer have been met and your place is confirmed as unconditional.

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** You may be asked to provide your IELTS, TOEFL or other English language test certificate to the UKBA.

### **8. I have taken a recognised English Language test (e.g. IELTS/TOEFL) and I have met the conditions of my offer from the University of York, but I have missed one or more of the component scores specified by the UKBA**

We will only be able to issue you with a CAS if you are able to demonstrate a level of proficiency equivalent to level B2 in all four language components (listening, reading, speaking, writing). Please let us know as soon as possible if you have missed UKBA requirements. Please email [ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk) quoting 'UKBA – Missed Language' in the subject line.

The University of York will be offering an alternative method of assessment to candidates who have met the conditions of their offer from York, but have missed the new UKBA requirements.

**11. My IELTS or TOEFL test will expire shortly (i.e. my test date is nearly two years**

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** You will not need to provide the UKBA with any documents as evidence of your standard of English language. We will confirm in your CAS that we have assessed your English language proficiency.

[ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk)

If you have not already done so, you need to provide us with evidence of your results by email to

interview.

Applicants will be invited to participate in the University of York B2 Assessment Exercise, which may involve completion of additional written work and/or participation in a telephone or Skype

English language test has expired.

The University of York will be offering an alternative method of assessment to candidates whose

If your test has expired, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing [ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk) quoting 'UKBA – English Language test expired' in the subject line.

(years) at the point your CAS is assigned.

We will only be able to issue you with a CAS if your test certificate is valid (test dated within two

**years ago).**

**10. My IELTS or TOEFL test has expired (i.e. the date of the test is more than two**

If you fail to meet the requirements of your University of York offer, it may not be possible for us to progress your application further. Please provide us with your results by email to [ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk). We will confirm the final decision on your application.

**from the University of York**

**9. I have taken a recognised English Language test (e.g. IELTS/TOEFL) and I have met the new UKBA requirements but I have missed the requirements of my offer**

**Evidence you will need to provide to the UKBA:** You will not need to provide the UKBA with any documents as evidence of your standard of English language. We will confirm in your CAS that we have assessed your English language proficiency.

English language proficiency equivalent to B2.

In conjunction with English language test results which meet our offer, the University of York considers successful completion of the B2 Assessment Exercise to demonstrate a standard of

you provide us with evidence of your current results by emailing [ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk)

In order for us to determine the most appropriate assessment exercise for you, it is important that

interview.

Applicants will be invited to participate in the University of York B2 Assessment Exercise, which may involve completion of additional written work and/or participation in a telephone or Skype

We will only be able to issue you with a CAS if your test certificate is valid (test dated within two years) at the point your CAS is assigned.

Your CAS will only be assigned once you have accepted an unconditional offer and you have completed the University of York CAS request process.

If your English language test is due to expire shortly, please contact [ug-admissions@york.ac.uk](mailto:ug-admissions@york.ac.uk) as soon as possible quoting 'UKBA – English Language test expiring soon' in the subject line.

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Applying

English language requirements for 2011 entry

This page has been updated on 6th June 2011 to reflect necessary changes to our English language requirements in compliance with new guidance released from the UKBA.

All students who have not completed their education in an English-speaking country (eg. UK, USA, Australia) must be able to understand written and spoken English. The tests listed below, with scores as indicated, are acceptable for direct entry if taken no more than two years prior to application or enrolment, whichever is the earliest date that the certificate is presented. All test scores are verified by the issuing body on receipt. Any applicant found to have submitted a fraudulent score will have their application withdrawn and UCAS will be advised.

English language requirements			
Subject	IELTS	TOEFL PBT**	TOEFL iBT*
All subjects except those listed below	at least 6.5 overall and no less than 6.0 in the writing section and no less than 5.5 in any other section	at least 570 and an 'essay rating' of at least 4.5 and no section less than 50	at least 90 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking
BSc Medical Imaging	at least 7.0 overall and no less than 6.5 in any other section	at least 600 and an 'essay rating' of at least 5.0 and no section less than 60	at least 100 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking
Accountancy, Business, Economics, English, History, Law and Psychology (including Combined Honours)	at least 7.0 overall and no less than 6.0 in any other section	at least 600 and an 'essay rating' of at least 4.5 and no section less than 54	at least 100 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking

\*please note that we do not accept TOEIC or the TOEFL Institutional Testing Program (ITP)

Alternative English language qualifications and requirements		
Qualification	Minimum alternative English language qualifications for programmes requiring equivalent of IELTS 6.5 with 6 in writing and no less than 5.5 in any section	Minimum alternative English language qualifications for programmes requiring equivalent of IELTS 7 overall and no less than 6 in any section
GCSE English Language	Grade C or above	Grade B or above
IGCSE English as a second language	Grade C or above	Grade B
International Baccalaureate	Standard English Grade 5 or Higher Level Grade 4 or above	Standard English Grade 5 or Higher Level Grade 4 or above
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English	Grade C or better	Grade B or better
Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English	Grade C or better	Grade B or better
Hong Kong applicants	Grade C in HKALE Advanced Supplementary Level: Use of English or HKCEE English Language Syllabus B grade 3 if taken no more than 2 years prior to application.	Grade C in HKALE Advanced Supplementary Level: Use of English or HKCEE English Language Syllabus B grade 4 if taken no more than 2 years prior to application.
Indian Standard XII English at first attempt (BSC/BOSE/West Bengal Boards)	at least 65%	at least 75%
Indian Standard XII English at first attempt (Maharashtra Board)	at least 70%	at least 80%
Indian Standard XII English at first attempt (Tamil Nadu and Karnataka Boards)	at least 75%	at least 85%
WAEC/NECO Senior School Certificate Exam in English at first sitting	Grade C6	Grade B4
Malaysian SPM English (1119 / 0 level paper only)	Grade C	Grade B
Zambian School Certificate Examination English Language	Grade A1	Grade A1

This page still being updated.  
South African \$ Canadian to be added also.  
+ US High school diploma.

For English language requirements for Medicine and Dentistry, please see Peninsula College of Medicine and Dentistry.

English programmes at INTO University of Exeter

If you do not reach the required English standard, undergraduate study at Exeter could still be a possibility if you attend a Pre-Sessional Summer Course at the INTO University of Exeter Centre. These intensive five- or ten-week courses are designed for students who wish to improve their ability in English and study skills before they start their degree programme. If you undertake a pre-sessional course you may be permitted to start your formal programme of study without retaking an IELTS or TOEFL test, depending on your language ability at entry and your progress on the course. Guidelines as to how much pre-sessional tuition is required are given on the INTO Centre website.

If you do not meet the pre-sessional entry requirements or want to have longer to understand and learn new skills, the Centre also offers an English for undergraduate studies course which includes a greater focus on study skills alongside language tuition. The Foundation or Diploma offered by the Centre, can also be used as an academic or English language 'top-up' prior to undergraduate study in the relevant field.

- Students achieving 55% overall and no less than 55% in each subsection in Pre-sessional or English for Undergraduate Studies have been assessed as achieving a minimum of B2 on the CEFR according to the UKBA guidelines.
- Students achieving 55% overall, in the English module, as part of the INTO Exeter Foundation or UG Diploma programme have been assessed as achieving a minimum of B2 on the CEFR according to the UKBA guidelines.

English Progression information.



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#### English language requirements table

This page has been updated on 6th June 2011 to reflect necessary changes to our English language requirements in compliance with new guidance released from the UKBA.

	IELTS	TOEFL iBT	TOEFL PBT
All programmes except those listed below	Overall score 6.5. No less than 6.0 in any section.	Overall score 90 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking	At least 570 and an 'essay rating' of 4.5 and no section less than 54
MA English Studies MA Creative Writing MA Writing, Nature and Place MBA MSc Accounting and Finance MSc Financial Analysis and Fund Management MSc Finance and Investment MSc Finance and Management MSc International Management MSc Marketing	Overall score 7.0. No section less than 6.0	Overall score 100 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking	At least 600 and an 'essay rating' of at least 4.5 and no section less than 54
MA Translation Research degrees (MbyRes/MPhil/PhD) in:  Drama English Film Modern Languages	Overall score 7.0. No section less than 6.5 in writing and no less than 6 in any section	Overall score 100 with minimum scores of 25 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking	At least 600 and an 'essay rating' of at least 5.0 and no section less than 54
Research degrees (MbyRes/MPhil/PhD) in:  Biosciences Computer Science Engineering Geology Mathematics Mining Physics Renewable Energy	Overall score 6.0. No less than 6.0 in any section	Overall score 87 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking	At least 550 and an 'essay rating' of at least 4.5 and no section less than 54
INTO Graduate Diploma	Overall score 5.5. No less than 5.0 in any other section	Please check with INTO University of Exeter Centre	Please check with INTO University of Exeter Centre





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## Apply for postgraduate study

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#### English language requirements

If English is not your first language you will need to submit evidence of a good command of English before starting your degree programme. We accept the IELTS (International English Language Testing System – academic version) and TOEFL iBT test along with a number of [other English language tests](#). Please note we do not accept TOEFL Institutional Testing Programme (ITP). We recognise these language tests providing they were taken no more than two years before the intended start of your degree or pre-sessional English programme. If you wish to defer your entry to the University, we may ask you to re-take a recognised language test if your original offer was based on a test which will be more than two years old at the point of registration.

Our [English language requirements table](#) provides details of IELTS and TOEFL required results for all our postgraduate programmes.

If you have undertaken a full degree programme in the UK, Anglophone Canada, USA, Australia or New Zealand, the English language requirements may be waived provided that your degree was completed no more than two years before the start of your programme. Other local English language qualifications may also be acceptable; please [contact the International Office](#) for clarification.

All certificates submitted as evidence of English language competence will be verified with the relevant certificate issuing body.

#### English programmes at INTO University of Exeter

If the results of your English test show you need to improve your English before commencing your studies you can attend a pre-sessional preparation course at the [INTO University of Exeter Centre](#). Information as to whether pre-sessional English preparation is required or recommended will be confirmed in your offer letter and our [pre-sessional English language programmes page](#) provides details as to whether you will need to take a pre-sessional English programme based on your achieved and required score.

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### Other acceptable English language tests

For all postgraduate programmes (including research degrees) which require an English score equivalent to IELTS 6 or 6.5, the following alternative test scores are accepted without pre-sessional language tuition:

GCSE (General Certificate of Secondary Education) English Language Grade C or better

IGCSE (International General Certificate of Secondary Education) English as a second language with a grade C or better

International Baccalaureate Standard English Grade 5 or Higher Level Grade 4 or above

CPE (Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English) and CAE (Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English) Grade C or better (Grade B required for programmes which require IELTS 7)

Hong Kong Examinations Authority Advanced Use of English Grade C or better

English paper at Indian Standard XII level 65% or above from the ISC/CBSE/West Bengal Board; 70% or above for the Maharashtra Board; 75% for the Tamil Nadu and Karnataka Boards

West African Exams Council Senior School Certificate Exam Grade C6 or better

Zambian School Certificate Examination English Language Grade A1

South Africa & Canada to be added. Page still being updated.  
+ US High school diploma.



**ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS - Undergraduate Programmes**

Country	English Language Qualification required:
Australia	Grade C in Year 10 Certificate
Austria	IELTS/TOEFL
Bangladesh	IELTS/TOEFL
Barbados	Grade 2 (II) in Caribbean Examinations Council Secondary Education Cert
Belgium	IELTS/TOEFL
Bulgaria	IELTS/TOEFL
Canada	Ontario: Pass English Literacy Test & minimum Level 3C in English Others: C in Grade 11 Secondary School Diploma
China	IELTS/TOEFL
Cyprus	IELTS/TOEFL
Czech Repub.	IELTS/TOEFL
Denmark	IELTS/TOEFL
Estonia	IELTS/TOEFL
European Baccalaureate	Score of 6.0 in English
Finland	IELTS/TOEFL
France	Option Internationale du Baccalaureat 10/20 in English French Bacc – IELTS/TOEFL
Germany	IELTS/TOEFL
Greece	IELTS/TOEFL
Hong Kong	HK AS Level – Grade C in Use of English
Hungary	IELTS/TOEFL
Iceland	IELTS/TOEFL
India	70% in English in Standard XII in the state boards; Higher Secondary School Cert (CBSE) or the All India Senior School Cert (CISCE) or National Open School Board
International Bacc	SL English Grade 5
Iran	IELTS/TOEFL
Iraq	IELTS/TOEFL
Israel	IELTS/TOEFL

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS - Undergraduate Programmes**

Italy	IELTS/TOEFL
Japan	IELTS/TOEFL
Kazakhstan	IELTS/TOEFL
Latvia	IELTS/TOEFL
Lithuania	IELTS/TOEFL
Luxembourg	IELTS/TOEFL
Malaysia	Grade 6C in English 1119 or IELTS/TOEFL
Netherlands	IELTS/TOEFL
Nigeria	Senior School Certificate – Grade C6 in English
Norway	IELTS/TOEFL
Pakistan	IELTS/TOEFL
Poland	IELTS/TOEFL
Portugal	IELTS/TOEFL
Qatar	IELTS/TOEFL
Romania	IELTS/TOEFL
Russia	IELTS/TOEFL
Saudi Arabia	IELTS/TOEFL
Slovakia	IELTS/TOEFL
Slovenia	IELTS/TOEFL
South Africa	Senior Certificate with Matriculation Endorsement – Grade C in English
Spain	IELTS/TOEFL
Sweden	IELTS/TOEFL
Switzerland	IELTS/TOEFL
Turkey	IELTS/TOEFL
Uganda	Pass UACE or COHSC with ABB or AAB in 3 subjects at principal level
USA	High School Diploma – C in Grade 11 English
Venezuela	IELTS/TOEFL
Vietnam	IELTS/TOEFL
West Indies	Grade 2 (II) in Caribbean Examinations Council Secondary Education Cert



**English Language Qualifications acceptable, from non-native speakers, for entry to Reading Programmes**

This listing shows the qualifications that are acceptable for entry onto our programmes, as well as suggested grades.

There are many more qualifications available that we can look at if we start to receive a large number of applications; however I think that most applicants should have access to one or more of these tests.

Qualification	Expected grade (depends on faculty and course)	UG <sup>1</sup> , PG or both
IELTS	6.5 - 7.5	Both
TOEFL	Paper-based (PB) 570-650 Internet-based (iBT) 88-112	Both
Overall end-of-course pre-session result including TEEP <sup>2</sup>	6.0 - 6.5	Both
TEEP (taken as a stand-alone test, not part of the pre-session course)	6.5 - 7.5	Both
London Tests of English	Level 5	Both
IGCSE English as a first language <sup>3</sup>	A/B/C	UG
IGCSE English as a second language	A/B/C	UG
Cambridge CPE	A/B/C	Both
Cambridge CAE	A	Both
GCSE English	A/B/C	UG (poss PG)

<sup>1</sup> UG includes the IFP although required grades required wouldn't be as high as shown here.

<sup>2</sup> All students must take TEEP as part of their overall assessment. Should a student have achieved a higher result in a previous TEEP test, a decision will be taken on the individual case by John Slaght (CALs assessment coordinator) in conjunction with the relevant pre-session course director.

<sup>3</sup> This is designed for native English speakers who live abroad. Could be acceptable for PG although would depend on an individual's circumstances.





## Writtle College

Non-EEA nationals whose first language is not English must prove that they are sufficiently able to understand and express themselves in both spoken and written English. Writtle College requires that these applicants have a minimum of the score shown below in IELTS, TOEFL or PTE:

	IELTS [validity 2 years]	TOEFL iBT [validity 2 years]	PTE [validity 2 years]
FE [CEFR B1] Evidence of SELT will be required for CAS	Overall score 5.5 Minimum 5.0 in all elements	Overall 71 With minimum * Reading 18 * Listening 13 * Speaking 19 * Writing 17	Overall 43 Minimum 43 in all elements
FDA / Higher Certificates / Higher Diplomas [CEFR B1] Evidence of SELT will be required for CAS	Overall score 5.5 Minimum 5.0 in all elements	Overall 71 With minimum * Reading 18 * Listening 13 * Speaking 19 * Writing 17	Overall 43 Minimum 43 in all elements
UG degree [CEFR B2] Evidence of SELT is not required for CAS	Overall score 6.0 Minimum 5.5 in all elements	Overall 87 With minimum * Reading 21 * Listening 22 * Speaking 23 * Writing 21	Overall 59 Minimum 59 in all elements
PG [CEFR B2] Evidence of SELT is not required for CAS	Overall score 6.5 Minimum 5.5 in all elements	Overall 92 With minimum * Reading 21 * Listening 22 * Speaking 23 * Writing 21	Overall 62 Minimum 59 in all elements
<i>Writtle College also accepts various tests of English as alternatives to IELTS, TOEFL or PTE provided they appear on the new approved English tests sheet issued by UKBA in April 2011. These are listed in the appendix.</i>			

## Appendix

### Other acceptable English language tests

Writtle College accepts the following tests of English as alternatives to IELTS, TOEFL or PTE if they have been taken within 2 years of the date of application. Other examinations not listed below may be accepted following consultation with the English Language Coordinator. Non-EEA students must also meet the requirements of the UK Border Agency for speaking, listening, reading and writing for these tests.

### FE and undergraduate courses

A pass at:

- Cambridge ESOL Business English Certificate Vantage (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Business English Certificate Higher (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL First Certificate in English (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate in Advanced English (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate of Proficiency in English (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Skills for Life Level 1 (writing test, reading test, and combined speaking/listening test, all passed at grade 2 or 3)
- Cambridge ESOL Skills for Life Level 2 (writing test, reading test, and speaking/listening tests all passed at grade 2 or 3)

### Postgraduate courses

A pass at:

- Cambridge ESOL Business English Certificate Higher (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate in Advanced English (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate of Proficiency in English (Grade A, B or C)
- Cambridge ESOL Skills for Life Level 2 (writing test, reading test, and speaking/listening tests all passed at grade 2 or 3)





Swansea Metropolitan University

English Language Entry Requirements For Non EEA International Applicants

Swansea Metropolitan University welcomes applications from all countries worldwide. Details of our English language entry requirements for International applicants from outside the EEA are explained below. From April 2011, UKBA have introduced new English language entry requirements which must be met by applicants applying for a Tier 4 General Adult student visa to study at this University. The information below satisfies both UKBA's English language requirements, and SMU's English language entry requirements.

If you require further advice on your English language please contact us and we will be happy to help you. We advise you to e mail all requests to us at [international@smu.ac.uk](mailto:international@smu.ac.uk)

English Language

For undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, applicants must have one of the following

- Confirmation that you have achieved CEFR Level B2 in an English language test which is equivalent to a minimum of IELTS 6.0 overall with a minimum of 5.5 in reading, writing, listening and speaking. For further information please see the list of secure English language tests on the UKBA website
- Confirmation that you have successfully completed a course in the medium of English within 2 years prior to the start of your course at SMU, and have achieved a level of English equivalent to CEFR Level B2 in reading, writing, listening and speaking at the end of the course.
- Confirmation that you are a national from a majority English speaking country. For a list of these countries please see [www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/can-you-apply/english-language/#](http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/can-you-apply/english-language/#)
- Confirmation that you have completed a qualification equivalent to a UK degree which was taught in English in a majority English speaking country. For a list of these countries please see the attached.
- Confirmation that you have recently successfully completed a course in the UK as a child student under Tier 4 or its predecessor route.

Documentary evidence of English Language must accompany applications

English Language

For Foundation Art and Design and HND programmes applicants must have one of the following

- Confirmation that you have completed a UKBA Secure English language test and have achieved CEFR Level B2 which is equivalent to IELTS 6.0 overall and a minimum of 5.5 in reading, writing, listening and speaking. Please see the UKBA website or the SMU website for a list of secure English language tests, or contact the International Centre, Academic Registry. For further information please see the list of secure English language tests on the UKBA website.
- Confirmation that you are a national from a majority English speaking country. For a list of these countries please see [www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/can-you-apply/english-language/#](http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/can-you-apply/english-language/#)
- Confirmation that you have completed a qualification equivalent to a UK degree which was taught in English in a majority English speaking country. For a list of these countries please see the attached.
- Confirmation that you have recently successfully completed a course in the UK as a child student under Tier 4 or its predecessor route.

Documentary evidence of English Language must accompany applications

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**SWANSEA METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTS ACCEPTED BY UKBA AND SMU**

The minimum English language entry requirement for all programmes at this University, for non EU international applicants is equivalent to IELTS 6.0 with no lower than 5.5 in each of the 4 components of the test – speaking, reading, writing, listening.

Our requirement is usually quoted as IELTS – the International English Language Testing System, but we also accept tests which are equivalent to IELTS. The names of the tests most widely used in the UK and their equivalent component scores are listed below.

CEFR Level	IELTS	TOEFL iBt test	Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE English)
Reference for (Common European Framework of Languages)	General Academic and	Minimum Scores	Minimum Scores
B2	Overall score 6.0	Overall score 87 – 96	Overall score 59 - 65
	Reading 5.5	Reading 22	Reading 59
	Writing 5.5	Writing 21	Writing 59
	Listening 5.5	Listening 21	Listening 59
	Speaking 5.5	Speaking 23	Speaking 59

Please also note:

- Other English language qualifications may be recognised as meeting our entry requirements. If you wish to receive advice on a test you have taken which is not listed above, please contact us on the e mail address below and include a copy of your result letter from your test provider

international@smu.ac.uk

- For a table of all tests recognised by UKBA see the UKBA website at

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/studyingintheuk/adult-students/can-you-apply/english-language/>

- Your English language qualification must have been completed within 2 years of starting your programme.

- All aspects of your academic record, including your English language level, will be considered when your application is being processed. All applications are assessed on an individual basis.

**Brunel University**  
**CEFR equivalencies**

<b>CEFR</b>	<b>B1</b>	<b>B2</b>
<b>IELTS</b>	4 in all	5.5 in all
<b>TOEFL</b>	57	87(R22, L21, S23, W21)
<b>Cambridge</b>	PET pass/Pass with Merit	FCE ©/CAE weak or above D
<b>Cambridge</b>		ILEC B2 pass / ICFE B2 pass
<b>Trinity ISE</b>	ISE I	ISE II
<b>Cambridge ESOL</b>	Entry level 3	Level 1
<b>Trinity Entry Cert Skills for Life ESOL</b>	Entry level 3 pass	Level 1 cert.
<b>City and Guilds ESOL and SESOL</b>	Achiever	B2 pass
<b>Pearson</b>	43 in all	59 in all
<b>BrunELT</b>	40	55
<b>BEC</b>	Preliminary	Vantage
<b>IB</b>		4
<b>Pre-U</b>		Pass 3**
<b>USA High School</b>		A-D or 2.4/4 or 60%+
<b>MELAB</b>		73%
<b>Michigan</b>		Pass
<b>GCSE/GCE</b>		C
<b>Malaysia</b>		C/grades 1-5
<b>HKCEE</b>		3(to 5*)
<b>WAEC</b>		1 - 6
<b>Caribbean CSEC</b>		Eng A 1-3/Eng B 1-4
<b>NECO</b>		A1-B3
<b>CBSE/ICSE/Maharastra(Stand. XII)</b>		70%+
<b>BULATS Online</b>	r 40; L 40; S3; w3	r60; l60; s4; w4
<b>Canadian Diploma</b>		A-D or 2.4/4 or 60%+
<b>Vitenmael</b>		4
<b>South Africa Senior School Cert</b>		Standard Level C
<b>Uganda</b>		UCE Grade 6

<i>taken from the following countries</i>		
<b>Canada</b>		
<b>Ghana</b>		
<b>Hong Kong</b>		
<b>Kenya</b>		
<b>Malaysia</b>		
<b>Mauritius</b>		
<b>Nigeria</b>	(if use of English 1 + 2 modules - Grade C or above) or 2:1	
<b>Singapore</b>		
<b>South Africa</b>		
<b>Uganda</b>		
<b>USA</b>		
<b>Zimbabwe</b>		



**English levels accepted by the University of Wolverhampton  
for entry to undergraduate programmes**

International Baccalaureate Diploma	English higher A1/A2/B at 4/5/5/ or English standard at 5/6/6 (out of 7 maximum)
Cameron O-Level	Grade C in English
Cameron Option Internationale du Baccalauréat (OIB) English version	12/20 in written English
Caribbean	Grade 1 in English CSEC (Caribbean Examinations Council Secondary Education Certificate (taken after 1997)
Cyprus Apolyterion	19/20 in English
Cyprus Lise Bitirme Diploması	8/10 in English
Eire Irish leaving Certificate (Ardeisteimeireacht)	ILC ordinary English at C3 OR ILC higher English at D3 (A1 maximum)
France Baccalauréat General (French Baccalauréat)	12 in written English (out of 20 maximum)
French Option Internationale du Baccalauréat (OIB) American and English versions only	12 in written English (American and English bilingual versions only)
Germany Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife) (aka Abitur)	11 in Leistungskurse (LK English)
Hong Kong AS level Use of English	C (A is maximum)
Kenya Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)	C C (A is maximum)
India Standard XII (12) Grade required varies depending on a) exam board b) level of qualification (standard XII) c) English medium tuition.	60% or above for Central Boards (between 55%-59% students do a mandatory 8-week pre-sessional) 70% or above for Regional/State Boards (between 60%-69% students do a mandatory 8-week pre-sessional)
Latvia Atestats par visparejo videjo izglitiba	8/10 in English
Malaysia SPM syllabus 322 (f)	2A
Malaysia SPM syllabus 121 (f)	B (4/3)
Malaysia SPM syllabus 1119 (e and f)	6C
Netherlands Diploma Vorebereidend wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO)	8.0 (out of 10 maximum)

**English levels accepted by the University of Wolverhampton  
for entry to undergraduate programmes**

Nigeria Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination, WAEC/NECO examinations	C6 or C or 6 depending on grading system (A1 maximum)
Norway Videregående opplæring Vitnemal (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)	5 (out of 6 maximum)
Poland Matura	Both written and oral English, 55% at extended level, 80% at basic level SCE standard/ordinary English at 3 SCE standard/ordinary English at 3, higher English at C
Scotland	
Uganda Ugandan Certificate of Education (UCE)	1-6
United Kingdom GCSE	C (A maximum)
UK International GCSE (IGCSE) English as a first/second language	C (A maximum)
UK Key Skills Communication level 3	Pass (pass/fail grading system)
UK O level (usually Cambridge/ CIE board) (e)	C
USA High School Diploma	B in English/English Literature at grade 11 or 12



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We use the standard SELT tests as determined by the UKBA (attached for ref) plus:

India	Standard XIIth
Hong Kong	O Level
Malaysian	Sijil Pelajaran 1119
WAEC/NECO	English Language Grades 1A – C6 (West Africa)

The exceptions are applicants from majority English speaking countries as defined by the UKBA :

Antigua and Barbuda  
Australia  
The Bahamas  
Barbados  
Belize  
Canada  
Dominica  
Grenada  
Guyana  
Jamaica  
New Zealand  
St Kitts and Nevis  
St Lucia  
St Vincent & the Grenadines  
Trinidad & Tobago  
United States



English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
Cambridge English: Key (also known as Key English Test)	Cambridge ESOL	A1  A2	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak  Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	Cambridge ESOL Website: <a href="http://www.cambridgeesol.org">www.cambridgeesol.org</a>  List of test centres: <a href="http://www.cambridgeesol-centres.org/centres/index.do">www.cambridgeesol-centres.org/centres/index.do</a>  Cambridge ESOL 1 Hills Road Cambridge CB1 2EU  Tel: 01223 553997 Fax: 01223 553621 Email: <a href="mailto:esolhelpdesk@cambridgeESOL.org">esolhelpdesk@cambridgeESOL.org</a>
Cambridge English: Preliminary (also known as Preliminary English Test)	Cambridge ESOL	A2  B1	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak  Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
Cambridge English: First (also known as First Certificate in English)	Cambridge ESOL	B1  B2	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak  Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
Cambridge English: Advanced (also known as Certificate in Advanced English)	Cambridge ESOL	B2	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
Cambridge English: Proficiency (also known as Certificate of Proficiency in English)	Cambridge ESOL	C1	Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
Cambridge English: Business Preliminary (also known as Business English)	Cambridge ESOL	A2	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results	

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
Certificate Preliminary)		B1	Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline		Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
Cambridge English: Business Vantage (also known as Business English Certificate Vantage)	Cambridge ESOL	B1  B2  C1	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak  Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline  Listening – Exceptional Speaking – Exceptional Reading – Exceptional Writing – Exceptional	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results  Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
Cambridge English: Business Higher (also known as Business English Certificate Higher)	Cambridge ESOL	B2  C1  C2	Listening – Weak Speaking – Weak Reading – Weak Writing – Weak  Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline  Listening – Exceptional Speaking – Exceptional Reading – Exceptional Writing – Exceptional	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results  Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
International Legal English Certificate	Cambridge ESOL	B2	Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
Cambridge English: Financial (also known as International Certificate in Financial English)	Cambridge ESOL	B2	Listening – Borderline Speaking – Borderline Reading – Borderline Writing – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results Candidate ID number + Candidates secret number (applicants should provide Statement of Entry if possible)	
ESOL Skills for Life Entry 1	Cambridge ESOL	A1	Reading – Pass Writing – Pass Speaking & Listening – Pass For Speaking & Listening: Speak to Communicate – Borderline Listen and Respond – Borderline Engage in Discussion – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results for each component (reading, writing, speaking, listening) Name of test centre	

English Language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
ESOL Skills for Life Entry 2	Cambridge ESOL	A2	Reading – Pass Writing – Pass Speaking & Listening – Pass For Speaking & Listening: Speak to Communicate – Borderline Listen and Respond – Borderline Engage in Discussion – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results for each component (reading, writing, speaking, listening) Name of test centre	
ESOL Skills for Life Entry 3	Cambridge ESOL	B1	Reading – Pass Writing – Pass Speaking & Listening – Pass For Speaking & Listening: Speak to Communicate – Borderline Listen and Respond – Borderline Engage in Discussion – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results for each component (reading, writing, speaking, listening) Name of test centre	
ESOL Skills for Life Level 1	Cambridge ESOL	B2	Reading – Pass Writing – Pass Speaking & Listening – Pass For Speaking & Listening: Speak to Communicate – Borderline Listen and Respond – Borderline Engage in Discussion – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results for each component (reading, writing, speaking, listening) Name of test centre	

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
ESOL Skills for Life Level 2	Cambridge ESOL	C1	Reading – Pass Writing – Pass Speaking & Listening – Pass For Speaking & Listening: Speak to Communicate – Borderline Listen and Respond – Borderline Engage in Discussion – Borderline	No expiry	Certificate Statement of Results for each component (reading, writing, speaking, listening) Name of test centre	
BULATS Online (certificated version)	Cambridge ESOL	A1 A2 B1 B2 C1	A1 Reading – 10 Listening – 10 Speaking – 1 Writing – 1 A2 Reading – 20 Listening – 20 Speaking – 2 Writing – 2 B1 Reading – 40 Listening – 40 Speaking – 3 Writing – 3 B2 Reading – 60 Listening – 60 Speaking – 4 Writing – 4 C1 Reading – 75 Listening – 75 Speaking – 5 Writing – 5	2 years	Certificate Test report form for each component (reading, writing, speaking, listening) Name of test centre Country where test was taken	



English Language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
		C2	Reading – 90 Listening – 90 Speaking – 6 Writing – 6			
IELTS (Academic and General Training)	Cambridge ESOL	B1	Listening – 4.0 Speaking – 4.0 Reading – 4.0 Writing – 4.0	2 years	Test Report Form	Website: <a href="http://www.ielts.org">www.ielts.org</a> List of test centres: <a href="http://www.ielts.org/test_centre_search/search_results.aspx">www.ielts.org/test_centre_search/search_results.aspx</a>
		B2	Listening – 5.5 Speaking – 5.5 Reading – 5.5 Writing – 5.5			General Enquiries British Council Bridgewater House 58 Whitworth Street Manchester, M1 6BB United Kingdom Tel: +44 161 957 7755 Fax: +44 161 957 7762 Email: <a href="mailto:ielts@britishcouncil.org">ielts@britishcouncil.org</a> Website : <a href="http://www.britishcouncil.org">www.britishcouncil.org</a>
		C1	Listening – 7.0 Speaking – 7.0 Reading – 7.0 Writing – 7.0			
		C2	Listening – 8.5 Speaking – 8.5 Reading – 8.5 Writing – 8.5			General Enquiries IDP Education Australia Level 8, 535 Bourke Street Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia Tel: +61 3 9612 4400 Fax: +61 3 9614 0578 Email: <a href="mailto:info@idp.com">info@idp.com</a> Website: <a href="http://www.idp.com">www.idp.com</a>
City & Guilds International ESOL Diploma	City & Guilds	A1	Preliminary Listening 13 / 25 Speaking 6 / 12 Reading 11 / 20 Writing 17 / 34	Indefinite	Certificate and results sheet	Customer Relations City & Guilds 1 Giltspur Street London EC1A 9DD Tel: 0207 294 2885
		A2	Access			

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
		B1	Listening 13 / 25 Speaking 6 / 12 Reading 10 / 20 Writing 21 / 39  Achiever			Fax: 0207 294 2405 Email: <a href="mailto:intcg@cityandquilds.com">intcg@cityandquilds.com</a> Email: <a href="mailto:intops@cityandquilds.com">intops@cityandquilds.com</a> Website: <a href="http://www.cityandquilds.com">www.cityandquilds.com</a> Website: <a href="http://www.cityandquilds.com/ieq">www.cityandquilds.com/ieq</a> Website: <a href="http://www.cityandquildsendlish.com">www.cityandquildsendlish.com</a>
TOEIC	ETS Educational Testing Service	A1	Listening 15 / 30 Speaking 6 / 12 Reading 15 / 30 Writing 12 / 24  Mastery Listening 15 / 30 Speaking 6 / 12 Reading 15 / 30 Writing 12 / 24	2 years	Score report	TOEIC Services UK Office ETS Global UK 707 High Road London N12 0BT Tel: 0208 446 9944 Fax: 0871 9787521 Email: <a href="mailto:admin@etsseuropeuk.org">admin@etsseuropeuk.org</a>
		A2	Listening - 110 Reading - 115 Speaking - 90  Listening - 60 Speaking - 50 (Spouses & Partners)			

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
TOEFL	ETS Educational Testing Service	B1	Writing - 70  Listening - 275 Reading - 275 Speaking - 120 Writing - 120	2 years		Website: <a href="http://www.ets.org/toefl">www.ets.org/toefl</a> Website: <a href="http://www.uk.toefl.eu">www.uk.toefl.eu</a> Test takers can find their local TOEIC representative at <a href="http://www.uk.toefl.eu">www.uk.toefl.eu</a>
		B2	Listening - 400 Reading - 385 Speaking - 160 Writing - 150			
		C1	Listening - 490 Reading - 455 Speaking - 180 Writing - 180			
		B1	Reading - 8 Listening - 13 Speaking - 19 Writing - 17			
		B2	Listening - 21 Reading - 22 Speaking - 23 Writing - 21			
		C1	Listening - 26 Reading - 28 Speaking - 28 Writing - 28			
					UK Office TOEFL Services Educational Testing Service 707 High Road London N12 0BT Tel: 0208 446 9944 Fax: 0871 9787521 Email: <a href="mailto:admin@etsuropeuk.org">admin@etsuropeuk.org</a>	Head Office TOEFL Services Educational Testing Service PO Box 6151 Princeton NJ 08541-6151 USA Tel: +1 609 771 7100 Fax: +1 610 290 8972 Email: <a href="mailto:toefl@ets.org">toefl@ets.org</a>

English language Test	Awarded by	Level	Minimum Grade Required	Test validity	Documents required with application	Contact details
Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic)	Pearson	A1  A2  B1  B2  C1  C2	<p>A1 Listening – 30 Reading – 30 Writing – 30 Speaking – 30</p> <p>A2 Listening – 30 Reading – 30 Writing – 30 Speaking – 30</p> <p>B1 Listening – 43 Reading – 43 Writing – 43 Speaking – 43</p> <p>B2 Listening - 59 Reading - 59 Writing - 59 Speaking - 59</p> <p>C1 Listening – 76 Reading – 76 Writing – 76 Speaking – 76</p> <p>C2 Listening – 85 Reading – 85 Writing – 85 Speaking – 85</p>	2 years	<p>On-line printout of Score Report and certificate</p> <p>Scores must also be assigned to UKBA online</p>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.ets.org/toefl">www.ets.org/toefl</a></p> <p>Register and book online: <a href="http://www.pearsonpte.com/teshme">www.pearsonpte.com/teshme</a> <u>East Asia, South Asia, South East Asia, Australia and New Zealand</u></p> <p>Email: pte- <a href="mailto:acustomersupportapac@pearson.com">acustomersupportapac@pearson.com</a></p> <p>Telephone (Toll): +603-8314-9652</p> <p><u>Europe, Middle East and Africa</u></p> <p>Email: pte- <a href="mailto:acustomersupportmea@pearson.com">acustomersupportmea@pearson.com</a></p> <p>Telephone (Toll): +44 (0) 161-855-7431</p> <p><u>North and South America</u></p> <p>Email: pte- <a href="mailto:acustomersupportamericas@pearson.com">acustomersupportamericas@pearson.com</a></p> <p>Telephone: United States / Canada 1-800-901-0229 Other countries (Toll) +1-952-681-3872</p> <p>Course providers please contact head office: <u>Head Office:</u> Pearson Language Tests 80 Strand London WC2R 0RL Telephone: +44 (0) 845 543 0243 Email: <a href="mailto:pltsupport@pearson.com">pltsupport@pearson.com</a></p>

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Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	Trinity College London	A1	Entry level 1 Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass	Indefinite	Summary slip and certificate	Trinity College London 89 Albert Embankment LONDON SE1 7TP Tel: 020 7820 6100 Fax: 020 7820 6161 Email: <a href="mailto:info@trinitycollege.co.uk">info@trinitycollege.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.trinitycollege.co.uk">www.trinitycollege.co.uk</a>
		A2	Entry level 2 Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass			
		B1	Entry Level 3 Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass			
Level 1 Certificate in ESOL Skills for life	Trinity College London	B2	Level 1 Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass	Indefinite	Summary slip and certificate	
Level 2 Certificate in ESOL Skills for life	Trinity College London	C1	Level 2 Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass	Indefinite	Summary slip and certificate	
Integrated Skills in English	Trinity College London	A2	ISE0 Reading - pass	Indefinite	Summary slip and certificate	

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		B1	Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass  ISEI Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass			
		B2	ISEII Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass			
		C1	ISEIII Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass			
		C2	ISEIV Reading - pass Listening - pass Speaking - pass Writing - pass			
Graded Examinations in Spoken English	Trinity College London	A1	GESE Grade 2 pass in speaking and listening	Indefinite	Certificate	

# Northumbria University Recognised English Language Tests and Equivalencies (UKBA equivalent scores in brackets)

TEST/Qualification	Awarding Body	UKBA SELT for courses CEFR B3-5	7.5 - 9 (C2)	7 (C1)	6.5	6	5.5 (B2)	5	4.5	4 (B1)
IELTS		yes								
Pearson Academic	Pearson PTE	yes	85 (85)	69 (76)	62	54	46 (59)	39	33	(43)
TOEFL Paper based test		N/A	635-680	600	578	550	528	500	480	460
TOEFL Computer Based Test (CBT)		N/A	263-300	250	232	213	194	173	152	140
TOEFL Internet Based Test (IBT)		yes	109+	100 (R28,L26,S28,W28)	89	79	70 (R22,L21,S23,W21)	61	52	(R8,L13,S19,W17)
IGSE/GCSE/O Level		N/A			C	C				
International Baccalaureate English A1 level		N/A		Standard Level 4 Higher Level 4						
International Baccalaureate English A2		N/A		Standard Level 5 Higher Level 4						
International Baccalaureate English B		N/A		Standard Level 5 Higher Level 5						
European Baccalaureate (first or second language)		N/A								
TEEP	University of Reading	N/A		7	6.5	5				
Northumbria Pre-sessional English Assessment	Northumbria University	N/A								
INTO Newcastle English for UG study	Newcastle University	N/A		70	65	60	55	50	45	
INTO Newcastle English for PG study	Newcastle University	N/A		70	65	60	55	50	45	
INTO Newcastle Pre-sessional English	Newcastle University	N/A								
Cambridge English Preliminary Test (PET)	Cambridge ESOL	yes								(Borderline)
Cambridge English First (FCE)	Cambridge ESOL	yes		(Exceptional)			(Borderline)			(Weak)
Cambridge English Advanced	Cambridge ESOL	yes	(Exceptional)	(Borderline)			(Weak)			
Cambridge English Proficiency	Cambridge ESOL	yes	(Borderline)	(Weak)						
Cambridge English Business Preliminary	Cambridge ESOL	yes								(Borderline)
Cambridge English Business Vantage	Cambridge ESOL	yes		(Exceptional)			(Borderline)			(Weak)
Cambridge English Business Higher	Cambridge ESOL	yes	(Exceptional)	(Borderline)			(Weak)			
International Legal English Certificate	Cambridge ESOL	yes		(Good)			(Borderline)			
Cambridge English Financial	Cambridge ESOL	yes		(Good)			(Borderline)			

Refer to ELC Marks, Levels and Recommendations document

