

English Qualification Equivalencies

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If English is not your native language, you will need to demonstrate proficiency in English in order to study at the University. Please note that English tests must have been obtained within two years prior to you starting your course at the University.

English Language Requirements by Qualifying Examination

The University's English language requirements are as follows:

Qualification	Grade		
IELTS (Academic)	6.5 overall with a minimum of 6.0 in all four components (Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing)		
LanguageCert International ESOL SELT	B2 Communicator High Pass with 33 in all four components		
TOEFL iBT (My Best Scores not accepted)	90 overall with minimum of 20 in all four components (Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing)		
Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)	176 overall with no less than 169 in any component		
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)	176 overall with no less than 169 in any component		
Pearson Test of English (Academic) (PTE)	60 overall, with a minimum of 55 in each component		
GCSE or iGCSE English Language or English Literature	4 or C		
iGCSE English as a First Language	4 or C (Speaking and Listening must be separately endorsed on the certificate)		
iGCSE English as a Second Language	6 or B (Speaking and Listening must be separately endorsed on the certificate)		
AS-level/A-level English Language or English Language & Literature or English Literature	С		
International Baccalaureate (IB)	English A: English Language & Literature or English Literature HL4 or SL5		
	English B: HL5 or SL5		
	4+ in two Arts & Humanities or Social Sciences subjects		
European Baccalaureate (EB)	70% or 7 at L1 English		
	80% or 8 at L2 English		
	L3 English not acceptable		

English Language Requirements by Country-Specific Qualifying Examination

Undergraduate applicants who have taken higher level English as part of their secondary school examinations (please see list below), may be exempt from these requirements. Applicants who have been educated full-time in the medium of the English language in the past two years to obtain, for example, A-levels, may also be exempt from these requirements. Any English grades in qualifications not covered below will be considered on an individual basis.

Country and Qualification	Grade	
Austria - Reifeprüfungszeugnis	2 (gut) in English (written exam)	
Belgium - Diploma van Secundair Onderwijs/ Certificat d'Enseignement Secondaire Superieur	14/20 or 70%	
Denmark - Studentereksamen	7	
Finland - Ylioppilastutkintotodistus	Grade M/5 (magna cum laude approbatur)	
France - Baccalaureate - General	13 where English is the first foreign language (LV1/LVA)	
France - Baccalaureat - (Option Int'l de Bacc) British or American option	12	
Germany - Abitur	12 in English as Leistungskurs	
Hong Kong - HKDSE	Level 4 in the English core component	
Iceland - Stúdentspróf (bóknámsbraut)	8 in English as a compulsory subject	
India – Standard XII (CISCE and CBSE)	70% overall in the English component	
Luxembourg Diplôme de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires	45% (bien)	
Malta - Matriculation and Secondary Education Certificate (MATSEC)	С	
Malaysia – SPM (1119)	С	
Netherlands - Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO)	7	
Norway - Vitnemål fra den Videregående Skole	4 when English is taken as a Common Core Subject	

Country and Qualification	Grade
Poland - Matura	70% when English is taken as an Extended Subject
Singapore – O-Level	С
Singapore – Integrated Programme	C in English Language or Language Arts
Sweden - Fullständigt Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskolan	English 7 at Grade C (VG)
Switzerland - Switzerland Certificat de Maturité /	5 (on a scale of 6)
Maturitätszeugnis / Attestato di Maturità	7 (on a scale of 10)

English Language Requirement Exemptions

If you are applying for a Postgraduate programme and are a national or have successfully completed a bachelor's degree from one of the following countries within the past five years, then you are not required to complete an additional English language test:

Antigua and Barbuda	Ireland
Australia	Jamaica
The Bahamas	New Zealand
Barbados	St Kitts and Nevis
Belize	St Lucia
Canada (only applies to Nationals)	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominica	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	United Kingdom
Guyana	United States

You also do not need to prove your knowledge of English if one of the following applies:

- You are a national of Canada
- You are applying to come to the UK for a study abroad programme as part of a university degree course in the USA
- You proved your level of English in a previous visa application.

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