

## English Language Proficiency Requirements

It is important that students meet the English language requirements or schedule an English language test prior to nomination. This ensures ample time to process their application, address any unforeseen issues, and allow sufficient time for obtaining visas or any other necessary documentation.

### Enrolment Policy

- [Admission Procedure](#)
- [Attendance for University of Canberra College ELICOS and Foundation Programs Procedure](#)

### Purpose

- This document outlines the minimum required English language proficiency requirements for admission to all University of Canberra coursework.
- Further details about English language requirements are available on the University's [English language requirements](#) web pages.

### Requirements

The minimum English language proficiency requirement for applicants seeking admission to a University of Canberra undergraduate or postgraduate course as an incoming exchange or study abroad non-award student is one of the following:

- The applicant's first language is English.
- Previous study in Australia or a recognised English-speaking country, including but not limited to Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, United Kingdom, and the USA
- Prior study at a recognised institution or in a recognised qualification
- Through an English language test.

If the applicant does not meet the English language requirements through previous studies, they will be required to take an approved English language test and provide the necessary results to UC before the application is approved.

English requirements are set to the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score. However, UC accepts a range of other English tests, including:

- TOEFL iBT
- Pearson Test of Academic English
- Cambridge English Scale
- OET.

UC Courses	IELTS Academic	TOEFL iBT	Pearson Test of Academic English	Cambridge English Scale	Occupational English Test
UC standard UG degree	6.0 overall with no band below 6.0	Overall score of 60 with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• R: 13</li> <li>• L: 12</li> <li>• S: 18</li> <li>• W: 21</li> </ul>	50 with no skill score below 50	169 with no sub-score below 169	No grade lower than 'C' in any of the sub-tests

Test results older than two years will not be accepted.

### ELICOS

If meeting these requirements is not feasible at time of application, the University offers [English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students \(ELICOS\)](#). When nominating, please indicate if your student will require a package with ELICOS and their exchange program.

The ELICOS program is held on campus, and completion is required before commencing the exchange or study abroad program.

### Submissions

When applying to the University of Canberra, please make sure that students submit clear, translated copies of their English language proficiency and transcripts. Supplying clear and translated documents can help ensure that the offer process is completed on time. Delays in the offer process may affect the time needed to apply for a visa.