

English Waiver Guidelines

Undergraduate Exemptions	International Year One 3-Semester	International Year One 2-Semester	International Year One 1-Semester	Undergraduate Direct Entry
IELTS	5	5.5	6	6
TOEFL	50	60	77	77
Password	4.5	6	No	No
PTEA	41	44	51	51
Duolingo Before 7/14/2019	45	50	70	70
Duolingo After 7/15/2019	75	90	120	120
IELA	154	162	176	176
IB	English HL: 4 Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO		English HL: 5	English HL: 5
IGCSE/GCSE	English First Language with C or better. Not predicted scores. (3 years or newer) Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			English First Language with C or better. Not predicted scores.
A Levels (A/AS)	English First Language or Literature in English with C or better. Not predicted scores. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			English First Language with C or better. Not predicted scores.
US High School	Completion of diploma and/or tv English medium and satisfactory Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO	Completion of diploma and/or two or more years of secondary transcripts reflecting English medium and satisfactory grades in secondary English coursework.		
International High School (English medium of instruction)	3 final years of high school in English, mainstream English classes, with grades of C or better in non-ESL classes. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			3 final years of high school in English, mainstream English classes, with grades of B or better in non-ESL classes.
US Post Secondary Institutions	Completion of 24 transferrable credit hours from a regionally accredited institution	Completion of 24 transferrable credit hours from a regionally accredited institution	Completion of 24 transferrable credit hours from a regionally accredited institution	Completion of 24 transferrable credit hours from a regionally accredited institution
SAT	Minimum Reading Test score of 24 on the Redesigned SAT Minimum Reading Test score of 26 on the Redesigned SAT			1030 overall Redesigned SAT for admission 26 for English Placement
ACT	16 Reading and 16 English/Writing 20 Reading and Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO 20 English/Writing			20 Reading and 20 English/ Writing
HKDSE	English Level 3 or better Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO	English Level 3 or better		
Malaysia SPM	English 119 with C or better Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			English 119 with C or better
WAEC	Grade C6 in English Language Oualifies for 1 Semester IYO			No
Cambridge English: First	154	162	No	No
Cambridge English: Proficiency	154	162	169	No
Cambridge English: Advanced	154	162	169	No
Gaokao (Jiangsu)	105 (84)	110 (88)	120 (96)	120
African (Anglophone): Botswana, Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			No
Nigerian citizens	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Commonwealth Caribbean (Anglophone): Anguilla, Antigua & Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Kits & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks & Caicos, US Virgin Islands				Yes
Australia	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes
Canada, except Quebec (French)	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes
Irish Republic	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes
New Zealand	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes
United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales)	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes
New Zealand	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes

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Graduate Exemptions	2-Semester Graduate Pathway	1- Semester Graduate Pathway	Graduate Direct Entry
IELTS	5.5^	6.5^	6.5
TOEFL	65^	80^	80
Password	Level 6	N/A	N/A
PTEA	44	53	53
IELA	169	176	176
Duolingo English Test	95	120	120

Estimated Academic English Level Based on Test Scores

All students take a placement test during Orientation to determine their AE level. The table below shows your estimated level of AE based on your standardized test scores.

Academic English Levels	TOEFL IBT	IELTS
Level 2	30-40	3.0-3.5
Level 3	41-51	4.0-4.5
Level 4	52-59	5.0-5.5
Level 5	60-80	5.5-6.0