

English Waiver Guidelines

Undergraduate Exemptions	International Year One 3-Semester	International Year One 2-Semester	International Year One 1-Semester	Undergraduate Direct Entry	
IELTS	5.0 (4.5 all subscores)	5.5 (RL 5.5 subscores)	6.5 (RW 6 subscores)/6.0*	6.5 (6.0 all subscores)	
TOEFL (including MyBest Score)	50 (10 all subscores)	60 (RL 13 subscores)	80 (RW 17 subscores)/75*	80 (18 subscores)	
Password	5.0 (Knowledge) 4.0 (Writing)	6.0(Knowledge) 5.0(Writing)	N/A	N/A	
PTEA	41	45	53	59	
IELA	154 Overall (147 all Isubscores)	162 Overall (162 in R and L)	176 Overall (169 in R and W)/169*	176 Overall (169 all subscores)	
Duolingo English Test - after 07/15/2019	80*	90*	120/110*	N/A	
Duolingo English Test - before 07/14/2019	45	50	N/A	N/A	
IB	English A Language and Literati and HL: 4 Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO	English A Language and Literature HL OR English A Literature and HL: 4			
IGCSE/GCSE	English First Language with C o (3 years or newer) Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO	N/A	N/A		
A Levels (A/AS)	English First Language with C or better. Not predicted scores. (3 years or newer) Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO			N/A	
US High School	3 years of English classes with graduated within the past three Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO	3+ years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes. Must have graduated within the past three years.			
International High School (English medium of instruction)	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	
US Post-Secondary Insitution	N/A	N/A	N/A	An English waiver can be granted for UTP students so long as they have attended a US accredited institution and completed English Composition I & II.	
SAT	N/A	N/A	500 EBRW	500 EBRW	
ACT	N/A	N/A	20 English/Writing	20 English/Writing	
HKDSE	English Level 3 or better	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Malaysia SPM	English 119 with C or better	N/A	N/A	N/A	
WAEC	Grade C6 in English Language	N/A	N/A	N/A	
AP	Language & Composition or Literature & Composition with 3 or better	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Cambridge English: First	155	165	180	N/A	
Cambridge English: Proficiency	155	165	180	N/A	
Cambridge English: Advanced	155	165	180	N/A	
Gaokao	105	110	120	N/A	
Completion of Academic English	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6	
FIEC	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	N/A	
African (Anglophone): Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe	Yes Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Sem		N/A		
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 Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Sem	Yes			

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Australia	Yes Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Semester IYO	Yes
Canada, except Quebec (French)	Yes Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Semester IYO	Yes
Ireland/Irish Republic	Yes Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Semester IYO	Yes
New Zealand	Yes Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Semester IYO	Yes
United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales)	Yes Qualifies for Accelerated 1 Semester IYO	Yes

Graduate Exemptions	Graduate Pathway 2-Semester	Graduate Pathway 1-Semester	Graduate Direct Entry
IELTS	6.0 overall (5.5 in R and L)^	6.5 (6.0 in R and W) ^	6.5 overall (6.0 all subscores)
TOEFL (including MyBest Score)	75 (17 in R and W) ^	85 overall (20 in R and W) ^	88-100 overall (20 all subscores)
Password	6.0 Knowledge and Writing ^	N/A	N/A
PTEA	52^	58^	59
IELA	169 (162 in R and L)^ / 162 (154 all subscores) for comprehensive	176 (169-176 in R and W)^	176 Overall (169 all subscores)
Duolingo English Test - after 07/15/2019	95/90*	120/110*	120*
Duolingo English Test - before 07/14/2019	55 or 50 (Comprehensive)	N/A	N/A
GRE Score equivalent of or higher than	No	No	No
Bachelor's or graduate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. Institution	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor's or graduate degree from an institution whose language of instruction is English (must be noted on transcript)	No	No	No

[^] Depending on the program

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 off your standardized test scores.

AE Levels	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	IELA	Duolingo
Foundations	Below 20	2.0	N/A	Below 40
Level 1	20-29	3.0	N/A	40
Level 2	30-39	4.0	142	55
Level 3	40-56	4.5	147	65
Level 4	57-74	5.5	162	75
Level 5	75-84	6.0	169	85
Level 6	85-99	6.5	176	95
Level 7	100+	7.0	185	110+

^{*} George Mason University requires IELA test upon arrival to confirm placement. Volgenau School of Engineering requirement