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English Language Proficiency (ELP) Waiver

Students who are planning to study at Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) on an F-1 student visa are required to demonstrate English language proficiency. A student may demonstrate proficiency by submitting test scores that meet the following guidelines:

Undergraduate (Bachelor's program)

TOEFL (ITP in SAELL or PBT): **500** TOEFL iBT: **61**
IELTS composite score: **6.0** PTE Academic: **44**
Duolingo English Test: **105** Cambridge B2 First: **170**

Graduate (Master's program)

TOEFL (ITP in SAELL or PBT): **550** TOEFL iBT: **79**
IELTS composite score: **6.5** PTE Academic: **53**
Duolingo English Test: **120** Cambridge B2 First: **180**

- **M.A. TESOL program requires:** TOEFL iBT: **95** IELTS composite score: **67.0** Duolingo English Test: **130** Cambridge C1 Advanced: **187**
- Or pass level 4 in NEIU's SAELL Intensive English Program with at least 80% in all 3 core classes.

**Students may have this requirement waived under certain conditions.
If one of these applies to you, please check the box and complete the section.**

Student has completed more than 24 credit hours at a US academic institution.

You must submit a transcript as part of your application.

Please write the name of the school you attended in the US here: _____

Student completed most recent degree in a country where classes are taught in English.

Please circle the name of the country:

Australia	Ghana	Malawi	Rwanda	United Kingdom
Belize	Guyana	Namibia	Sierra Leone	Zambia
Botswana	Jamaica	New Zealand	Singapore	Zimbabwe
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canada	Kenya	Nigeria	Tanzania	
Gambia	Liberia	Philippines	Uganda	

Student received a diploma from a school outside the US where all classes were taught in English.

You must submit an official letter from the school stating that the student's classes were all taught in English.

Name of the school: First Baptist Academy City and country of the school: Mount Pearl, Canada

Student's Last Name Chukwu Student's First Name(s) Vanessa

Student's NEIU ID Number (9-digits and starts with 000) _____

I certify that all the information above is true and I have attached any necessary documents.

Student Signature _____

Date 05-20-2025

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I have reviewed the information and certify that the student meets the requirements for a waiver.