

Appendix A: Other English Language Tests and Examinations

In addition to IELTS and TOEFL, there are many other tests and examinations available, some of which are acceptable as evidence of having achieved a certain level of proficiency in English. Others may be less than satisfactory. Details of alternative English language qualifications accepted by the University are given below. If you come across an unfamiliar qualification or would like specific advice, please contact the Language Centre.

Note for applicants: Different degree programmes may have different language requirements, even within the same School. Please consult the Admissions Office or the relevant Graduate School for information.

TEST RESULTS ARE ONLY RELIABLE IF TAKEN WITHIN THE PRECEDING TWENTY FOUR MONTHS

Name of Test or Examination	Examination Board / Organisation	If the entry requirement is IELTS 7/ Paper-based TOEFL 600 / computer-based TOEFL 250/ internet-based TOEFL 100	If the entry requirement is IELTS 6.5/ paper-based TOEFL 577 / computer-based TOEFL 233/ internet-based TOEFL 90	If the entry requirement is IELTS 6/ paper-based TOEFL 550 / computer-based TOEFL 213/ internet-based TOEFL 79	Comments
English Tests					
Business English Certificate Higher Level	Cambridge ESOL	-----	B	B	For Business students only
Certificate in Advanced English	Cambridge ESOL	A	B	C	
Certificate of Proficiency in English	Cambridge ESOL	B	C	C	
English for Business	London Chamber of Commerce and Industry Examinations Board	-----	Level 3 Pass	Level 3 Pass	For Business students only
Examination for the Certificate of Proficiency in English	University of Michigan (USA)	Passing Score	Passing Score	Passing Score	
London Tests of English	Edexcel International	-----	Level 4	Level 4	
Test in English for Educational Purposes (TEEP)	University of Reading (UK)	7	6.5	6	
Warwick English Language Test (WELT)	University of Warwick (UK)	AAB/ABB/BBB	BBC	BCC	
UK GCSE AS and A Level Examinations					
GCSE in English language	All UK examination boards	Grade C	Grade C	Grade C	
AS or A Level in English language and/or literature	All UK examination boards	Grade C	Grade C	Grade C	

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Overseas GCSE/O Level and Equivalent Examinations					
European Baccalaureate (English 1 st language)		7	6	6	Subject grades are combined to give overall Bac grade
European Baccalaureate (English 2 nd language)		7	6	6	Subject grades are combined to give overall Bac grade
GCE O Level English Language 1119	Cambridge International Examinations	C	C	C	
HKEAA Use of English	Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority	B	C	C	The board suggests that a grade D equates with an O level pass. TOEFL equivalents published suggest these grades are safer.
Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination in English Syllabus B	Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority	A	B	B	The board suggests that a C grade on this exam equates to a D in the U of E exam.
International Baccalaureate English A1 Syllabus		Standard level: 4 Higher level: 4	Standard level: 4 Higher level: 4	Standard level: 4 Higher level: 4	
International Baccalaureate English A2 Syllabus		Standard level: 5 Higher level: 4	Standard level: 5 Higher level: 4	Standard level: 5 Higher level: 4	
International Baccalaureate English B Syllabus		Standard level: 6 Higher level: 5	Standard level: 6 Higher level: 5	Standard level: 6 Higher level: 5	
International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) 0500 (English 1 st language)	Cambridge International Examinations	C	C	C	These are the Board's recommended grades
International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) 0510 (English 2 nd language)	Cambridge International Examinations	C	C	C	These are the Board's recommended grades
O Level English Language 1120, 1123, 1124, 1125, 1126	Cambridge International Examinations	C	6	6	These are the Board's recommended grades

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European School Leaving/ Matriculation Qualifications					
Denmark: Studentereksamen (Upper Secondary School Leaving Examination) Also: Hojere Forberedelseksamen (HF) (Higher Preparatory Examination) and Hojere Handelseksamen (HHX)		Grade 10 in English	Grade 10 in English	Grade 9 in English	
Finland: Ylioppilastutkintotoimisto/ Studentexamensbetyg (Finnish National Matriculation)		5 (Magna cum Laude) in English	5 (Magna cum Laude) in English	5 (Magna cum Laude) in English	
Norway: Vitnemål – videregående opplæring (School Leaving Certificate)		Grade 5 in English	Grade 4 in English	Grade 4 in English	
Sweden: Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskolan (School Leaving Certificate)		VG (Pass with distinction) in English	VG (Pass with distinction) in English	VG (Pass with distinction) in English	The highest pass, MVG (Pass with Special Distinction) in English, indicates exceptional performance.
Other School Leaving/ Matriculation Qualifications					
12 th Standard Examination – All India Senior Secondary School Certificate	Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)	70% in English	70% in English	70% in English	

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