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Undergraduate English language requirements 2019/20

If you're a non-native English speaking applicant you must provide evidence of your English language ability.

You need to show enough fluency in written and spoken English to the required level of the course you're applying to.

Exceptions

You do not need to provide evidence of your English language if any of the following conditions apply:

- You're a UK national
- You're a national from a majority English speaking country as specified by the UKVI
- You've completed a degree either in the UK or in a majority English speaking country

For more information see:

- UKVI Tier 4 Guidance from 10 July 2018
(https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/623341/T4_Migrant_Guidance_29_June_2017.pdf) (PDF)

Accepted tests and qualifications

The following tests are accepted for entry into **degree-level courses**:

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (Academic)
- C1 Advanced (Certificate in Advanced English)
- C2 Proficiency (Certificate of Proficiency in English)
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) (Academic)
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) internet-based test (IBT)
- Trinity Integrated Skills in English (ISE) III

The requirements for these tests vary by academic department.

You must have completed the test within two years of the starting date of your course. You cannot combine scores from more than one sitting of the test.

- GCSE English Language: Pass GCSE English Language with Grade C/Grade 4
- IGCSE English Language as a First Language: Pass IGCSE English Language as a First Language with Grade C
- O Level English Language: Pass O Level English Language with Grade C

We can also accept the following school leaving certificates as proof of English language ability, if you are taking an English language subject and you meet the minimum grade required.

- International Baccalaureate: Pass English A or obtain 5 in English B at either Standard or Higher Level.
- European Baccalaureate: Obtain 6.5 in English.

Contact us

If you have any questions about the application process our Admissions team will be happy to help.

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Related links

- Pre-sessional language courses
- Tier 4 (General) student visa
(<https://www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa/knowledge-of-english>) (gov.uk)
- Postgraduate English language requirements

Country	Qualification	English Grade Required
Austria	Reifeprüfungszeugnis / Maturazeugnis	2
Belgium	Diploma van Hoger Secundair Onderwijs	16
	Certificat d'Enseignement	7
	Abschlusszeugnis der Oberstufe des Sekundarunterrichts	70%
Canada	High School Graduation Diploma from any state, excluding Quebec	75%
Denmark	Studentereksamen / Højere Forberedelseksamen	7
Finland	Ylioppilastutkintotodistus / Studentexamenbetyg	4 (Cum laude approbatur)
France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> French Baccalauréat Option Internationale du Baccalauréat 	11
	Germany	Abitur
Hong Kong	HKDSE	5 overall with 4 in each component
Iceland	Stúdentspróf	6
India	Standard XII	75%
Luxembourg	Diplôme de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires	36
Netherlands	VWO	6
Norway	Vitnemål fra den Videregående Skole	4
Singapore	O-Level	C
South Africa	National Senior Certificate, English Home Language	5
Sweden	Avgångsbetyg / Slutbetyg från Gymnasieskola English C	VG/Grade C
Switzerland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificat de Maturité Certificat de Maturité Cantonal reconnu par la Confédération Baccalauréat Vaudois Maturität Eidgenössisch anerkanntes kantonales Maturitätszeugnis Attestato di Maturità Attestato di Maturità Cantonale riconosciuto dalla Confederazione (Federal Secondary School Leaving Certificate) 	4

Academic department requirements

Not met the departmental requirements?

Archaeology

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
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- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 51 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 169 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Biology

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component

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- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 169 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking, 21 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Chemistry

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Computer Science

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Economics and Related Studies

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Educational Studies

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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Electronics

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English and Related Literature

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Environment

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History

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History of Art

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 162 each component

- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Language and Linguistic Science

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Law

LLB Law (M100)

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component

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- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 169 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking, 21 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

LLB Law Senior Status (M101)

- IELTS: 7.0, with a minimum of 7.0 for Writing and 6.5 in Speaking, Listening and Reading

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- Pearson: 64, with a minimum of 61 in writing and 59 in each of the other components
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 186, with a minimum of 180 in writing and 176 in each of the other components
- TOEFL: 96 overall, with a minimum of 22 in Listening, 23 in Reading, 23 in Speaking, 24 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Distinction in all components

Management School

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component

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Your current IELTS score	Minimum length of pre-sessional English language course you should study
IELTS 6.0 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in writing and at least 5.5 in all other skills	10 weeks
IELTS 5.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in writing and at least 5.0 in all other skills	15 weeks
IELTS 5.5 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 in writing and at least 5.0 in all other skills	20 weeks

- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 55 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 169 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking, 21 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Mathematics

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 55, with a minimum of 51 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 169, with a minimum of 162 each component
- TOEFL: 79 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Pass in all components

For combined programmes (split equally between the Department of Mathematics and another department) please see the English language requirements for the second department.

Medicine (Hull York Medical School)

- IELTS: 7.5, with a minimum of 7.0 in each component

Music

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 162 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Natural Sciences

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking, 21 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Nursing and Midwifery

- IELTS: 7.0, with a minimum of 7.0 in each component

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Philosophy

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component

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- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking, 21 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Politics, Economics and Philosophy (PEP)

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component

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Physics

- IELTS: 6.0, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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Politics

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Psychology

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IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 55 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 169 each component

- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 21 in Listening, 21 in Reading, 21 in Speaking, 21 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Social and Political Sciences

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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Your current IELTS score	Minimum length of pre-sessional English language course you should study
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	10 weeks
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	15 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 51 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 162 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Social Policy

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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Your current IELTS score	Minimum length of pre-sessional English language course you should study
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	10 weeks
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	15 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 51 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 162 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Social Work

- IELTS: 7.0, with a minimum of 6.5 in each component

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Your current IELTS score	Minimum length of pre-sessional English language course you should study
IELTS 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	10 weeks
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	15 weeks
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course
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IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 64, with a minimum of 59 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 185, with a minimum of 176 each component
- TOEFL: 96 overall, with at least 22 in Listening, 23 in Reading, 23 in Speaking, 22 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Distinction in all components

Sociology

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	10 weeks
IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.5 in each skill	15 weeks
IELTS 5.5 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	20 weeks
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 51 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 162 each component
- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

Theatre, Film and Television

- IELTS: 6.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component

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IELTS 5.0 with minimum 5.0 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course
IELTS 5.0 with minimum 4.5 in each skill	IELTS too low for admission to pre-sessional English language course

- Pearson: 61, with a minimum of 51 in each component
- C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency: 176, with a minimum of 162 each component

- TOEFL: 87 overall, with a minimum of 17 in Listening, 18 in Reading, 20 in Speaking, 17 in Writing
- Trinity ISE III: Merit in all components

If you've not met the departmental requirements

If you've taken one of the accepted tests but not met the departmental requirement, you may be eligible for one of our pre-sessional English language courses.

These courses will provide you with the level of English needed to meet the conditions of your offer. You can apply online once you receive and accept your offer. Apply early to avoid disappointment.

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If you're applying for a pre-sessional English course and require a Tier 4 visa then you must take a UK government approved Secure English Language Test (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-applying-for-uk-visa-approved-english-language-tests>) (gov.uk). Only IELTS for UKVI (Academic) or Trinity ISE can be accepted for entry to pre-sessional programmes.

For more information about visas and English language requirements see Tier 4 (General) student visas (<https://www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa>) (gov.uk).

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