



Undergraduate Exemptions	International Year One 3-Semester	International Year One 2-Semester	International Year One 1-Semester	Undergraduate Direct Entry
IELTS	5.0	5.5	6.5	6.5
TOEFL (including MyBest Score for IYO)	50	60	79	79
TOEFL Essentials	N/A	6.5	8.5	8.5
PTEA	41	44	53	53
iTEP Academic	3.5	3.8	N/A	N/A
IELA	154	162	176	N/A
Duolingo English Test - after 07/15/2019	75	90	105	105+
IB	English A Language and Literature (HL) OR English A Language (HL): 4 Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO		English A Language and Literature (HL) OR English A Language (HL): 5	English A Language and Literature (HL) OR English A Language (HL): 5
IGCSE/GCSE	English Language with C or better. Not predicted scores. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			English Language with C or better. Not predicted scores.
A Levels (A/AS)	English Language with C or better. Not predicted scores. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			English Language with C or better. Not predicted scores.
US High School	Attended a US High School for 2 years or more. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Attended a US High School for 3 years or more.
International High School (English medium of instruction)	Attended 2 years. Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO		Attended 3 years or more. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO	Attended 3 years or more.
US Post-Secondary Institution	University degree Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			University degree
SAT	440 Evidence based Reading and Writing Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO		500 Evidence based Reading and Writing	500 Evidence based Reading and Writing
ACT	16 English and 17 Reading Qualifies for 2 Semester IYO		17 English and 19 Reading	17 English and 19 Reading
HKDSE	English Level 3 or better Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			N/A
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	Grade C5 in English Language	N/A	N/A
AP	Language & Composition exam or Literature & Composition exam with 3 or better Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Language & Composition exam or Literature & Composition exam with 3 or better
Trinity College ISE	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Singapore Cambridge O-Level	English with C or better. Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			N/A
Cambridge English: First	154	162	176	N/A
Cambridge English: Proficiency	154	162	176	N/A
Cambridge English: Advanced	154	162	176	N/A
Gaokao	105; JIANGSU: 84	110; JIANGSU: 88	120; JIANGSU: 96	120; JIANGSU: 96
Completion of Academic English	N/A	Level 4	N/A	N/A
African (Anglophone): Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe	Yes. High school graduates from these countries where medium of instruction is English Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO. Add countries: Botswana, Burundi, Gambia, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Zambia-to Anglophone africa country list			Yes. High school graduates from these countries where medium of instruction is English Add countries: Botswana, Burundi, Gambia, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Zambia-to Anglophone africa country list
Commonwealth Caribbean (Anglophone): Anguilla, Antigua & Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks & Caicos, US Virgin Islands	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes
Australia	Yes Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			Yes

English Waiver Guidelines

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

Graduate Exemptions	Graduate Pathway 2-Semester	Graduate Pathway 1-Semester	Graduate Direct Entry
IELTS	6 ^	6.5	6.5-7.0
TOEFL (including MyBest Score for pathway)	70 ^	79	79-100
TOEFL Essentials	7	8.5	8.5
PTEA	47 ^	53	N/A
IELA	169	176	N/A
Duolingo English Test - after 07/15/2019	95	105	110+
Completion of Academic English	Level 4	N/A	N/A
GRE Score equivalent of or higher than	Verbal: 148		N/A
Bachelor's or graduate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. Institution	Yes Qualifies for 1 term		Yes
Bachelor's or graduate degree from an institution whose language of instruction is English (must be noted on transcript)	Yes Qualifies for 1 term		Yes, for Anglophone countries see full list at: https://illinoisstate.edu/admissions/international/requirements/
Bachelor's or graduate degree from the following countries: Cameroon, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zimbabwe.	Yes Qualifies for 1 term		Yes, for Anglophone countries see full list at: https://illinoisstate.edu/admissions/international/requirements/
Student's first/native language is English, and they are from one of the following countries: American Samoa, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British West Indies, Canada, England, Guam, Ireland, Mauritius, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa, Virgin Islands, Wales.	Yes Qualifies for 1 term		Yes, for Anglophone countries see full list at: https://illinoisstate.edu/admissions/international/requirements/

Estimated Academic English (AE) Level Based on Test Scores

All students take a placement test during Orientation to determine their AE level. The table below shows how your estimated level of AE compares to your standardized test score.

AE Levels	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	IELA	Duolingo
Level 1	19-29	2.0-2.5	135	N/A
Level 2	30-39	3.0-3.5	142	>54
Level 3	40-49	4.0-4.5	147	55-74 (Undergraduate) 55-64 (Graduate)
Level 4	50-59	5.0	154	75-89 (Undergraduate) 65-94 (Graduate)