



Undergraduate exemptions	International Year One 3-semester	International Year One/ UTP 2-semester	International Direct/ UTP 1-semester	Undergraduate/Transfer direct entry
IELTS (including One Skill Retake, IELTS Online Academic and IELTS Indicator for pathway)	5	5.5	6.5	6.5
TOEFL (including MyBest score for IYO & UTP and iBT Home edition for all programs)	50	60	79	80
TOEFL Essentials	6.0	6.5	8.5	8.5
PTEA	41	44	53	53
iTEP Academic	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.0
Duolingo English Test - after 07/15/2019	75	90	110	120
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 First Language with C (5) or better. Not predicted scores. Qualifies for 1-semester IYO			English First Language with C (5) or better. Not predicted scores.
A levels (A/AS)	English First Language or Literature in English with C or better. Not predicted scores.			English First 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 4 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 entirety of high school at an international high school where English is the medium of instruction.
US post-secondary institution	University degree with in the last 2 years Qualifies for 1-semester IYO			Equivalent of WSC 001 and 002 (English Composition 1 and 2) with a C or better.
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		19 English and 19 Reading	19 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			N/A
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 4 or better
Singapore Cambridge O-Level	English with C or better. Qualifies for 1-semester UGPW			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	110	120	120 includes Skype interview
UTS	Level 2	Level 3 and 4	Level 5	N/A
FIEC	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	N/A
Completion of Academic English	N/A	Level 4	N/A	Level 6
ELS Certificate	No	No	No	Level 112
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			Yes
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	Integrated Master's Program 1-semester	Graduate direct entry
IELTS (including One Skill Retake, IELTS Online Academic and IELTS Indicator for pathway)	5.5	6.5	6.5 (Journalism/Public Relations-7.0)
TOEFL (including MyBest score for Graduate pathway and iBT Home edition for all programs)	65	79	80 (Journalism/Public Relations-95)
TOEFL Essentials	7.0	8.5	8.5
PTEA	44	53	53
iTEP	3.5	3.9	4
Duolingo - after 07/15/2019	95	110	120 (Journalism/Public Relations-130)
GRE scores	148 Qualifies for 1- semester		No
Completion of Academic English	Level 4	N/A	Level 6
ELS Certificate	No	No	Level 12 (Not accepted by the LLM program)
Bachelor's or graduate degree from a regionally accredited US institution	Yes Qualifies for 1-semester		Yes
Bachelor's or graduate degree from an institution whose language of instruction is English	Yes Qualifies for 1-semester		Yes
Bachelor's degree from English speaking countries (Australia, Canada (except Quebec/Montreal), Irish Republic, New Zealand and United Kingdom)	Yes Qualifies for 1-semester		Yes
Bachelor's degree from Africa Anglophone countries (Botswana, Cameroon, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe)	Yes Qualifies for 1-semester		Yes
Bachelor's degree from Commonwealth Caribbean Anglophone countries (Antigua, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago)	Yes Qualifies for 1-semester		Yes

All international applicants are subject to English Language Proficiency exam upon arrival to Hofstra. Additional English language coursework may be required based on result of exam.

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 your estimated level of AE based on your standardized test scores.

AE Level	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	Duolingo
Level 1	1-29	N/A	<54
Level 2	30-39	3.0-3.5	55
Level 3	40-49	4.0-4.5	65
Level 4	50-59	5.0	75