

IYO: International Year One **ID: International Direct** **UTP: Undergraduate Transfer Program**

| Undergraduate exemptions | International Year One 3-semester | International Year One 2-semester and UTP | International Year One 1-semester and UTP/International Direct | Undergraduate direct entry |
|--|---|--|---|--|
| IELTS (including IELTS Online Academic) | 5.0 (4.5 all subscores) | 5.5 (5.0 all subscores) | 6.0 (5.5 all subscores) | 6.5 (6.0 all subscores) |
| TOEFL (including MyBest Score and TOEFL iBT Home Edition for all programs) | 50 (10 all subscores) | 60 (13 all subscores) | 70 (15 all subscores) | 80 (18 all subscores) |
| TOEFL Essentials | 6.0 (5.0 all subscores) | 6.5 (6.0 all subscores) | 7.5 (7.0 all subscores) | N/A |
| PTEA | 41 | 45 | 53 | 59 |
| Duolingo English test | 80 | 90 | 100 | 110 |
| IB | English A Language and Literature HL OR English A Literature and HL: 4 Qualifies for 2-semester IYO | English A Language and Literature HL OR English A Literature and HL: 5 Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO | English A Language and Literature HL OR English A Literature and HL: 6 | English A Language and Literature HL OR English A Literature and HL: 6 |
| IGCSE/GCSE | English First Language with C (5) or better. Not predicted scores. (3 years or newer) Qualifies for 2-semester IYO | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| A levels (A/AS) | English First Language with C or better. Not predicted scores. (3 years or newer) Qualifies for 2-semester IYO | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| US High school (excluding Puerto Rico) | 3 years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes. Must have graduated within the past three years. Qualifies for 1-semester IYO | | | 3+ years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes. Must have graduated within the past three years. |
| International High school (English medium of instruction) | 3 years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes at a Mason-recognized US regionally-accredited secondary school abroad. Must have graduated within the past three years. Qualifies for 1-semester IYO | | | 3+ years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes at a Mason-recognized US regionally-accredited secondary school abroad. Must have graduated within the past three years. |
| US post-secondary institution | N/A | N/A | An English waiver can be granted for UTP students so long as they have attended a US accredited institution and completed English Composition I and II. | An English waiver can be granted for transfer students so long as they have attended a US accredited institution and completed English Composition I and II with grades of C or better. |
| ILA (International Language Academy) | N/A | Completion of Level 110 | Completion of Level 111 (IYO only) | N/A |
| SAT | N/A | N/A | 500 EBRW | 500 EBRW |
| ACT | N/A | N/A | 20 English/Writing | 20 English/Writing |
| HKDSE | English Level 3 or better | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Malaysia SPM | English 119 with C or better | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| WAEC | Grade C6 in English Language | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| AP | Language and Composition or Literature and Composition with 3 or better | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Cambridge English: First | 155 | 165 | 180 | N/A |
| Cambridge English: Proficiency | 155 | 165 | 180 | N/A |
| Cambridge English: Advanced | 155 | 165 | 180 | N/A |
| Gaokao | 105 | 110 | 120 | N/A |
| NCUK | NCUK EAP module grade of C or higher | | | NCUK EAP module grade B or higher |
| Completion of Academic English | Level 3 | Level 4 | Level 5 (excluding ID) | Level 6 |
| FIEC | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4 | N/A |
| Cameroon, Montserrat, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda | 3 years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes. Must have graduated within the past three years.* Qualifies for 1-semester accelerated IYO | | | N/A |

English Waiver Guidelines

| Undergraduate exemptions | International Year One 3-semester | International Year One 2-semester and UTP | International Year One 1-semester and UTP/International Direct | Undergraduate direct entry |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada (excluding Quebec), Cayman Islands, Dominica, Fiji, The Gambia, Ghana, Gibraltar, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Malta, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Seychelles, South Africa, Saint Helena, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, United Kingdom, Zambia, Zimbabwe | | 3 years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes. Must have graduated within the past three years. Qualifies for 1-semester accelerated IYO | | 3+ years of English classes with a grade of C or better with no ESL classes. Must have graduated within the past three years. |

| Graduate exemptions | Graduate Pathway 2-semester | Graduate Pathway 1-semester/Grad Certificate 1-semester | Graduate direct entry |
|---|--|---|--|
| IELTS (including IELTS Online Academic) | 6.0 overall (5.5 all subscores) or 5.5 overall (no subscores) [^] | 6.5 (6.0 all subscores) or 6.0 overall (no subscores) [^] | 7.0 overall (6.5 all subscores) or 6.5 (no subscores) [^] |
| TOEFL (including MyBest Score and TOEFL iBT Home Edition for all programs) | 70 (15 all subscores) or 65 overall (no subscores) [^] | 80 overall (17 all subscores) or 75 overall (no subscores) [^] | 88-100 overall (20-23 all subscores) or 80 overall (no subscores) [^] |
| TOEFL Essentials | 7.5 (7.0 subscores) | 8.5 (8.0 subscores) | N/A |
| PTEA | 52 | 59 | 67 |
| Duolingo English test | 100 | 110 | 120 |
| Completion of Academic English | Level 5 | Level 6 | Level 7 |
| ILA (International Language Academy) | Level 111 | Level 112 | N/A |
| Bachelor's or graduate degree from a regionally accredited US institution | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Cameroon, Montserrat, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda | Yes, for students who hold a conferred bachelor's degree from a Mason-recognized university in these countries Qualifies for accelerated 1-semester pathway ^{^^} | | No |
| Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada (excluding Quebec), Cayman Islands, Dominica, Fiji, The Gambia, Ghana, Gibraltar, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Malta, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Seychelles, South Africa, Saint Helena, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, United Kingdom, Zambia, Zimbabwe | Yes, for students who hold a conferred bachelor's degree from a Mason-recognized university in these countries Qualifies for accelerated 1-semester pathway | Yes, for students who hold a conferred bachelor's degree from a Mason-recognized university | |

[^] Depending on the program

^{^^} Applicants may be asked to provide proof of English as the medium of instruction.

Estimated Academic English 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 off your standardized test scores.

| Estimated AE level | TOEFL iBT | IELTS | Duolingo |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|----------|
| 1 | 20 | 3.0 | 40 |
| 2 | 30 | 4.0 | 55 |
| 3 | 40 | 4.5 | 70 |
| 4 | 50 | 5.0 | 80 |
| 5 | 60 | 5.5 | 90 |
| 6 | 70 | 6.0 | 100 |
| 7 | 80 | 6.5 | 110 |