

# English Waiver Guidelines

## Hofstra University

**Table 1: Undergraduate Exemptions**

	International Year One 3-semester	International Year One & UTP 2-semester	International Direct	International Direct Transfer	Direct Entry
IELTS (including One Skill Retake and IELTS Online Academic for pathway)	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.5
TOEFL (including MyBest score for IYO & UTP and iBT Home edition for all programs)	50	60	70	70	80
TOEFL Essentials	6	6.5	8.5	8.5	8.5
PTEA	41	44	53	53	53
iTEP Academic	3	3.5	3.9	3.9	4
Duolingo English Test - after 07/15/2019	75	90	105	105	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			
Malaysia SPM	English 119 with C or better Qualifies for 1 Semester IYO			
WAEC	Grade C6 in English Language	Grade C5 in English Language		
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			
Cambridge English: First	154	162	176	
Cambridge English: Proficiency	154	162	176	
Cambridge English: Advanced	154	162	176	
Gaokao	105	110	120	120 includes Skype interview
UTS	Level 2	Level 3 and 4	Level 5	
FIEC	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	
Completion of Academic English		Level 4		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
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
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**Table 2: Graduate Exemptions**

IELTS (including One Skill Retake and IELTS Online Academic for pathway)	5.5	6.5	6.5 (Journalism/Public Relations-7.0)
TOEFL (including MyBest score for Graduate pathway iBT Home edition for all programs)	65	79	80 (Journalism/Public Relations-95)
TOEFL Essentials	7	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		Level 6
ELS Certificate	No	No	Level 112 (Not accepted by the LLM program)
Bachelor's or graduate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. 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.*