

#### **ACCEPTABLE ENGLISH LANGUAGE QUALIFICATIONS**

This is the list of qualifications approved by the University of Hull for assessment of proficiency in English language for admission to on-campus programmes.

For applicants who need a Tier 4 visa no other qualifications are accepted for language evidence. However the University considers a wider range of evidence for students who do not need a Tier 4 visa and individual cases are considered at the discretion of the Dean of Faculty.

Applicants should check the English language requirements for their preferred programme as some programmes may have higher requirements than the minimum stated in the tables.

Where individual skills scores are required these must be achieved on one certificate.

Acceptance will normally be based on the candidate's most recent qualification or test result.

For Hull York Medical School (HYMS) requirements see www.hyms.ac.uk

The University will review this list in line with future changes to UKVI Tier 4 visa policy and it may therefore change at any time. Offers will be revised if necessary when UKVI policy changes. English language evidence is in addition to any other academic requirements for admission for a particular programme. The University may, at its discretion, place additional requirements within individual offers.

## **Entry to Pre-sessional English Language Courses**

Students who need a Tier 4 visa must have a Secure English Language Test (SELT) approved by the UKVI and accepted by the University of Hull.

\*For Tier 4 visa purposes, the tests marked \* are valid for 2 years only (and must be valid at the start date of the University course)

English Language Test	Important Note	Minimum accepted (CEFR B1) – see course information for recommended length of course to reach level required for degree entry
International English Language Testing System (IELTS)* - UKVI Approved Academic Test taken at approved test centre in UK or worldwide	UKVI approved test taken on or after 6 April 2015	4.5 overall (with a minimum 4.0 in each skill)

Trinity Integrated Skills in English ISE Level II*	UKVI approved test taken on or after 6 April 2015	B1 Pass all 4 skills
Trinity Integrated Skills in English ISE Level III*	UKVI approved test taken on or after 6 April 2015	B1 Pass all 4 skills

The above also applies for entry to 2-year Foundation Degrees (FdSc, FdA etc)

## **Entry to Degree Courses**

The University accepts the Tests/ Qualifications listed below for degree entry. The table shows the level for most degrees but applicants should check the requirement for their preferred programme as some degrees have higher requirements than the minimum stated in this table.

<sup>\*</sup>For Tier 4 visa purposes, the tests marked \* are valid for 2 years only (must be valid at the start date of the University course)

English Language Test / Qualifications	Minimum accepted grade for undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes (CEFR B2)	
University of Hull Bridge/Summer Study Pre-sessional	60% overall (with minimum 55% in each skill)	
English Language Programmes end of course test		
University of Central Lancashire SOLLIS Test delivered by Cambridge	65% overall	
Education Group (CEG)		
Cambridge Business English Certificate Higher (BEC)	Pass (C1)	
	The BEC Higher test is only recognised for entry onto Business degrees	
Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)	Pass (C1)	
Cambridge Certificate in Proficiency (CPE)	Pass (C2)	
Cambridge Examinations Syndicate GCE O Level English Language	Grade C	
Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE)	Pass (B2)	
All UK Boards	Grade C	
GCE/O Level English Language		
IGCSE English as a First Language or Second Language		
GCE A level (all UK Boards) English Language or Literature	Grade E	
GCE A level (all UK Boards) Three or more A levels (any)	Grades EEE	
GCE AS level (all UK Boards) English Language or Literature	Grade E	
GCSE (all UK Boards) English Language GCSE	Grade C	
International Baccalaureate (taught in English)	Pass the Diploma or Bilingual Diploma	

International Baccalaureate (taught in French or Spanish)	Pass the Diploma with a pass in Higher Level or Standard Level English	
International English Language Testing System (IELTS)* - Academic	6.0 overall (with a minimum 5.5 in each skill)	
Test (all test centres)		
	5.5 overall with 5.5 in each skill accepted for entry to degrees with integrated	
	foundation year	
Kaplan International Colleges Graduate Diploma with Pre-sessional	60% overall (with minimum 55% in each skill)	
English		
Kaplan University foundation programmes	60% overall	
Pearson Academic Test of English	54 overall (with a minimum of 51 in each skill)	
(PTE Academic)*		
Trinity Integrated Skills in English	Distinction in all 4 skills	
Level II*		
Trinity Integrated Skills in English	Pass in all 4 skills	
Level III*		
University of Reading Test of English for Educational Purposes (TEEP)	6.0 overall (with minimum 5.5 in each skill)	
University of Sheffield English Proficiency Test (USEPT)	60% overall (with minimum 55% in each skill)	

# Country/Region Specific qualifications accepted by the University of Hull to demonstrate English Language proficiency at CEFR B2 for entry to undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes

Country/Region	Title	Minimum accepted grade for undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes
West Africa	West African Senior School Certificate examined by WAEC	Grade C/6 or better (Grade A-C, 1-6
(primarily Nigeria & Ghana)	(West African Examinations Council)	acceptable)
India	Standard XII  Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)  Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE)  National Open School	70% in English
India	Standard XII  Tamil Nadu  Karnataka  Kerala	75% in English
Hong Kong	AS Level English	Grade E overall with Grade E in individual skills
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)	Level 4 overall in English Language with a minimum of level 3 in each skill (Level 3 overall is accepted for programmes which include a Foundation Year)
Malaysia	Cambridge 1119 O Level English	Grade C

### Exemptions for students coming to study an undergraduate/postgraduate degree

The UKVI has defined the following countries as majority English-speaking; nationals from these countries are normally exempt from providing evidence of proficiency in English Language:

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Australia
- The Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Canada
- Dominica
- Grenada
- Guyana
- Jamaica
- New Zealand
- St Kitts and Nevis
- St Lucia
- St Vincent and the Grenadines
- Trinidad and Tobago
- United States of America

Students who have passed an academic qualification equivalent to a UK degree taken in the UK, the Republic of Ireland or one of the above countries (excluding Canada) are normally exempt from providing evidence of proficiency in English language

The University reserves the right to add an English language test requirement to those that fall in this group at its discretion

### Additional tests accepted by the University for applicants from the EU or who do not need a Tier 4 visa

As well at the tests listed above the University may consider other evidence for EU students, at the discretion of the Dean of Faculty. The following are normally accepted:

- TOEFL iBT\*: 79 overall and at least 17 in listening, 18 in reading, 20 in speaking, 17 in writing
- Pass the Anglia Proficiency (Level 9) in English Test (including Speaking Test)
- Euro Examination with minimum level B2 and above in all skills
- Abitur (Germany): English language taken during the final two years of schooling (years 12 and 13) and pass with grade 3 (befriedigend)
- Matura (Poland): standard level English with an average combined score (oral and written) of 70%
- Lithuania: Year 12 English language 70% in the State exam (extended level)
- Babe-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania: 2+1 Business School Progression Agreement
- Kedge Business School, France: English Language test

<sup>\*</sup> valid 2 years from test date