

STANDARDIZED ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST/ASSESSMENTS

The Private Training Institutions Regulatory Unit (PTIRU) considers the following standardized English language test/ assessment scores to be at a level equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (academic).

| Name of English language assessment/test | Minimum score(s)/level(s)* |
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| International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic | Minimum overall score of 5.5 |
| Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) IBT | Minimum overall score of 46 |
| Canadian Academic English Language Assessment (CAEL) | Minimum overall score of 40 |
| Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program (CELPIP) | Listening 6, Speaking 6, Reading 5, and Writing 5 |
| Duolingo English Test (DET) | Minimum overall score of 95 |
| Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic | Minimum overall score of 43 |
| Cambridge English Qualifications: B2 First exam (FCE) Institutions may include other Cambridge Qualifications at a higher level (i.e., C2 Proficiency (CPE)). | Minimum overall score of 160 or "C" |
| Cambridge Linguaskill | Minimum overall B2 level |
| LANGUAGECERT Academic | Minimum overall B2 level |
| The Michigan English Test (MET) | Minimum overall B2 leve |
| iTEP Academic | Minimum overall score of 3.5 |
| EIKEN | Minimum placement of Grade Pre-1 |

*Please note that the tests/assessments listed in this chart have varied designs, testing methods, and scoring. This reference chart is not intended to be used for official English language proficiency test score comparison purposes. The tests and minimum scores included in this list will be reviewed periodically and updated to ensure they are meeting the minimum standard.

Other test considerations:

Canadian Language Benchmark Placement Test (CLB PT)

The CLB PT may be used as part of an LPR in instances where the test is accepted by a third-party regulator or program funder.



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