

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)*
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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