



College of Arts and Sciences

Graduate Admissions Language Requirement Policy

Graduate applicants may fulfill the language requirement by completing *one of the options in Column A or both of the options in Column B*. Further explanation is available below the table.

Option A:	Option B:
<input type="checkbox"/> Submit official test scores (IELTS, TOEFL, Duolingo, or Cambridge Test of English) OR <input type="checkbox"/> Successfully complete a degree from an accredited institution in: United States and its territories, Australia, Belize, British Caribbean and British West Indies, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, and the UK.	<input type="checkbox"/> Official letter of attestation from school verifying all courses were taught in English AND <input type="checkbox"/> An admissions interview

Option A:

- Graduate applicants who have successfully completed coursework in educational contexts other than in the US, UK, etc. can demonstrate proficiency by submitting official scores on the Internet-based TOEFL, IELTS, Duolingo, or Cambridge Test of English. See departmental score requirements below.
- Graduate applicants can demonstrate sufficient proficiency in English if they have successfully completed 2-3 years of continuous English-medium coursework leading to an earned degree from an accredited university in one of the following countries: United States, Republic of Ireland, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, or Canada. If the coursework was completed more than 2 years prior to the term of admission, the applicant must still live and/or work in the country of instruction in order to be eligible.

Option B:

- Graduate applicants who have met the English-medium coursework requirement in countries such as India, South Africa, Ghana, Nigeria, etc. where coursework was conducted entirely in English can supply an official letter of attestation from their institution verifying all courses were taught in English AND complete an admissions interview to fulfill Lehigh's language requirement. Letters of attestation will only be accepted on institutional letterhead and signed by an appropriate officer of the institution. Please send via email to incasgrd@lehigh.edu.

Minimum Score Requirements:

The scores in the tables below represent minimum scores that applicants must attain in order to be admitted to the College of Arts and Sciences graduate programs without conditional English enhancement training. Please note that some individual departments may have higher minimum requirements and you should consult with the department directly in order to be certain of their requirements. To meet unconditional admission, applicants MUST: 1) obtain or exceed ALL minimum section scores, and 2) obtain or exceed the COMPOSITE/OVERALL minimum score.

Applicants with test scores that do not meet the minimum requirements can still be considered for admission with conditional English enhancement training required. In such cases, applicants should consult with the department or program of interest for more details.

<u>BIOS, CHM, EES, EP, HIST, MATH, PHY, POLS, and PSYC</u>			
<u>Score Minimums:</u>			
TOEFL Section Minimums		IELTS Section Minimums	
Reading	21	Reading	6.5
Listening	15	Listening	6
Speaking	24	Speaking	7.5
Writing	25	Writing	6.5
Composite Score Minimum: 85		Overall Minimum Band Score: 6.5	

<u>ENGL Score Minimums:</u>			
TOEFL Section Minimums		IELTS Section Minimums	
Reading	26	Reading	7.5
Listening	20	Listening	6.5
Speaking	24	Speaking	7.5
Writing	26	Writing	7
Composite Score Minimum: 96		Overall Minimum Band Score: 7.0	

<u>All Programs:</u>			
Duolingo Overall Minimums		Cambridge Overall Minimums	
ENGL	125	ENGL	190
All Other Depts	115	All Other Depts	180

Official test scores must be submitted from the testing agencies directly by the first day of classes in the applicant's first semester in order to satisfy this requirement. Lehigh's institutional code is 2365.