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Alternative Requirements for the National Examinations and SAT/ACT Scores in the English Language Based Admissions for the 2023 Entries (April 2023 Entry / September 2023 Entry)

We are aware that, because of the recent COVID-19, natural disasters, wars, and/or similar serious situations, applicants in some regions are unable to take national examinations required for admissions to higher education, or the SAT and/or the ACT Plus Writing test (hereafter referred to “SAT/ACT”) that they need in order to satisfy the Educational Certification requirement for the English Language Based Admissions.

For those who are unable to take the national examinations and/or the SAT/ACT for the above reasons, we have decided to ask them to satisfy the following alternative requirements: (1) to write an essay on a specific topic given by ICU and (2) to do an online interview. These requirements are hereafter referred to as the “Essay and Interview Exam.”

In order to take the “Essay and Interview Exam” instead of taking the national examinations and/or the SAT/ACT, applicants must get approval from ICU by submitting an additional application form prior to applying to the English Language Based Admissions. This application form includes a question that asks the applicants to explain the reasons and circumstances why they were unable to take the national examinations and/or the SAT/ACT. If ICU finds that the reasons/circumstances are reasonable, the applicant will be allowed to take the “Essay and Interview Exam.” For all other cases where the national examinations or SAT/ACT scores are required, applicants will still be required to submit the national examinations or SAT/ACT scores.

More detailed information for the “Essay and Interview Exam” will be announced on ICU’s website at a later date respectively for the April 2023 Entry and for the September 2023 Entry. If you have any questions about the “Essay and Interview Exam” or are not sure about your eligibility, please contact the ICU Admissions Center.

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