

Changes in the Requirements for the English Language Based Admissions Effective from AY2027 and 2028

FROM AY2027 Minimum English Proficiency Test Score Requirements (for Apr. and Sep. 2027 Entries).

	AY2026 and earlier	AY2027
IELTS (Academic Module)	6.5	6.5(No change)
TOEFL iBT	79	79 (Scores taken before January 20, 2026)
		4.5 (Scores taken on or after January 21, 2026)

FROM AY2028 Minimum English Proficiency Test Score Requirements (for Apr.2028 and thereafter).

	AY2027	AY2028 and thereafter
IELTS (Academic Module)	6.5	7.0
TOEFL iBT	79	95 (Scores taken before January 20, 2026)
	4.5	5.0 (Scores taken on or after January 21, 2026)

➤ Waiver of IELTS /TOEFL Submission for applicants entering April 2028 and thereafter, submission of IELTS or TOEFL scores will be optional if either of the following criteria is met:

- 1). You have spent both junior and senior high school years (or the **last six continuous school years**) at institutions in which **English is the language of instruction** (in all classes except for foreign and national language classes)* or
- 2). You are an IB Diploma candidate and are taking or have taken **IB English A** ("Literature" or "Language and Literature").

(Effective from AY2028) For applicants from IB Diploma program who have not taken English A but have taken **English B, submission of IELTS or TOEFL test scores will not be waived, even if they have received English-medium education for six or more consecutive years from junior high school through high school.*

Details of application procedures and requirements may vary by academic year. Applicants are strongly advised to consult the Admissions Guide for the academic year in which they plan to apply.

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