

Minimum English Language Entry Requirements

Home Students

Home Students are required to have an appropriate grade/score in an approved examination in English language before they can register on an academic programme. This is normally Grade C in GCSE English Language or equivalent.

EU Students

EU students whose first language is not English are required to have an appropriate grade/score in an approved examination in English language (such as IELTS) Academic) before they can register on an academic programme.

Students who have taken their education entirely in the medium of English and can demonstrate that they have successfully completed a recognised degree or have successfully completed the whole of their secondary education up to and including the equivalent of year twelve (including a GCSE-equivalent English Language qualification) in one of the countries on the Home Office's list of recognised countries will be deemed to have an acceptable English language qualification. The Home Office's list of recognised countries is available on the [UK Government website](#).

In addition to the Home Office's list, we can also accept degrees from selected other English-speaking countries and institutions as evidence of English proficiency. For further information, see our [policy for alternative acceptable English language requirements](#).

The following are the recognised primary English Language qualifications:

- The Academic version of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). IELTS tests are available worldwide. See the [IELTS website](#) to find your nearest test centre.
- Successful final assessment of an appropriate pre-sessional English language course offered by The University of Nottingham [Centre for English Language Education \(CELE\)](#).

A number of alternative language qualifications can also be accepted as B2 equivalent alternatives for NQF Level 6 (undergraduate degree level) study and above: see out table of [English Language Equivalencies](#)

Below are the grades/scores normally required for immediate entry on to academic programmes at the University. Grades/scores are valid for a maximum period of two years prior to the date of registration.

Postgraduate Programmes

- IELTS 6.0 (no less than 5.5 in any element)
- CELE pre-sessional course final assessment of "Pass"

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