

## International Student Entry Requirements for Chester Programmes

### English language entry requirements

Applicants whose first language is not English must demonstrate that they have an appropriate level of English language to be eligible to study one of our foundation, undergraduate or postgraduate courses. The level of English required depends on the course applied for.

#### Secure English Language Tests (SELT).

We accept the following SELT tests at the levels identified for entry:

SELT Tests	Undergraduate	Postgraduate
IELTS	6.0 (Min. 5.5 in each-sub-skill)	6.5 (Min 5.5 in each sub-skill)
PTE Academic	51 overall (Min. 51 in each sub-skill)	57 overall (Min. 51 in each sub-skill)
Trinity College London ISE	ISEII - Pass in all 4 components	ISEII - Pass in all 4 components

If you have taken a SELT test and have scored below our English language entry requirements for your chosen course, you may be able to join one of our pre-sessional English courses prior to starting your chosen main course of study. Our pre-sessional English courses are designed specifically to improve your overall English language ability, and on successful completion will allow you to progress on to your chosen main course of study.

#### Other English Language qualifications

We also accept a number of additional English language qualifications for entry to our courses.

Qualification	Undergraduate	Postgraduate
International Baccalaureate (A or B Higher)	Grade 4	Grade 4
International Baccalaureate (B Standard)	Grade 5	Grade 5
GCSE/IGCSE English Language	Grade C or above	Grade C or above
OxfordAQA GCSE	Grade 4	Grade 4

Cambridge Upper Main Suite	B2 First Grade B overall	C1 Advanced Grade C / B2 First Grade A
OET	NA	2 C and 2 C+
TOEFL iBT	Overall score: 79 Min sub skill: Listening: 17 Reading: 18 Speaking: 20 Writing : 17	Overall score: 88 Min sub skill: Listening: 17 Reading: 18 Speaking: 20 Writing : 17

### **In-country English language qualifications**

In addition to the above tests, we also accept some country-specific in-country English language qualifications for entry to our courses. To see if we accept an in-country English language qualification from your home country, please visit the Your Country section on the website and choose your country's flag.

### **UoC English Language Test (UoCELT)**

For those applicants who do not have a SELT or an acceptable in-country English language qualification, the University of Chester has developed its own online English language test which applicants can take. Candidates will be tested in all four areas of English language proficiency and will be benchmarked against the CEFR framework.

### **Majority English Speaking Countries**

Applicants from Majority English Speaking Countries will normally not need to provide further evidence of English language proficiency.

- Antigua and Barbuda
- Australia
- The Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Canada
- Dominica
- Grenada
- Guyana
- Jamaica
- New Zealand
- St Kitts and Nevis
- St Lucia
- St Vincent and the Grenadines
- Trinidad and Tobago
- United States of America

## Academic entry requirements

Applicants must satisfy the academic entry criteria for their chosen course of study in order to be eligible to study.

### **International Foundation Programme & Bachelor's Degree (with Foundation Year)**

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entry onto our Bachelor's Degree including a Foundation Year, we require a school leaving qualification which is equivalent to British GCSE's and English proficiency equivalent to IELTS 6.0 overall. For entry onto our International Foundation Programme, we require a school leaving qualification which is equivalent to British GCSE's. To find out which qualifications are acceptable from your home country, please visit the Your Country section on the website and choose your country's flag.

### **Undergraduate/Bachelor's Degree**

For entry onto the first year of our undergraduate/Bachelor degree programmes, we normally require a school leaving qualification which is equivalent to British A-level/International Baccalaureate. To find out which qualifications are acceptable from your home country and at what grades, please visit the Your Country section on the website and choose your country's flag. You can also view our range of undergraduate/Bachelor's degrees.

### **Postgraduate Taught/Masters' Degree**

Entry onto our postgraduate Masters' courses requires an undergraduate/Bachelor Degree of equivalent standard to the British undergraduate/Bachelor Degree. To find out which qualifications are acceptable from your home country, please visit the Your Country section on the website and choose your country's flag. You can also view our range of Postgraduate Taught/Masters' Degrees.