



English Language Requirements for Further Education (FE) Courses

International applicants must satisfy both the English language entry requirement for their chosen course AND the academic entry requirement.

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 further education courses. The level of English required depends on the course applied for. The below table outlines alternatives accepted when an entry requirement of GCSE English A*-C is required.

An applicant may meet this requirement from their existing school or post-school qualifications. This must be evidenced by an ENIC Statement of Comparability. The Statement of Comparability should be uploaded to the applicant's UCM Learner Portal when submitting the course application.

Secure English Language Tests (SELT)

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

SELT Tests	Further Education
IELTS for UKVI Academic	6.0 (Min. 5.5 in each-sub-skill)
PTE Academic UKVI	61 overall (Min. 59 in each sub-skill)
Trinity College London ISE	ISEII - Merit in all 4 components
LanguageCert Academic SELT (online version not accepted)	65 overall with no less than 60 in each band
Skills for English UKVI English Language Level Test	B2 Pass

Other English language qualifications

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

Qualification	Further Education
IELTS Academic (including One Skill Retake)	6.0 (Min. 5.5 in each-sub-skill)
IELTS Online <i>This test is only accepted for nationals of countries listed under the UKVI differential evidence requirement.</i>	6.0 (Min. 5.5 in each-sub-skill)



PTE Academic (online version not accepted)	61 overall (Min. 59 in each sub-skill)
International Baccalaureate (A or B Higher)	Grade 4
International Baccalaureate (B Standard)	Grade 5
GCSE/IGCSE English Language	Grade C or above
OxfordAQA GCSE	Grade 4
Gatehouse International ESOL	Level 1 Merit or above
AES Bellerbys Foundation	50%
Cambridge Upper Main Suite	B2 First Grade B overall
OET	NA
TOEFL iBT (and TOEFL At Home)	Overall score: 79 Min sub skill: Listening: 17 Reading: 18 Speaking: 20 Writing: 17
Password Skills Plus At-home Test	Password 6.0 with no less than Password 5.5 in each band
LanguageCert Academic	Overall 65 with no less than 60 in each band
Language Cert Academic Online <i>This test is only accepted for nationals of countries listed under the UKVI differential evidence requirement.</i>	Overall 65 with no less than 60 in each band
Kaplan Test of English (KTE)	444 overall with no less than 425 in each component