

Standard Requirements

To be granted admission into the Study Abroad and Exchange program, applicants are required meet the English Language Proficiency requirements for their relevant level of study. Minimum entry requirements are listed in Schedule 4 of the [ACU Handbook](#).

Any qualifications or tests submitted as proof of English language proficiency must have been achieved **no more than two years** prior to the program commencement date.

English Language Test	Minimum score for undergraduate entry	Minimum score for undergraduate entry (with concurrent language study)*	Minimum score for postgraduate entry
IELTS	6.0 overall; minimum of 6.0 in writing and speaking and 5.5 in reading and listening	6.0 overall; minimum of 5.5 in all tests	6.5 overall; minimum of 6.0 in all tests
TOEFL iBT	60 overall; minimum of 21 in writing, 18 in speaking, 8 in reading and 7 in listening	60 overall; minimum of 18 in writing, 16 in speaking, 8 in reading and 7 in listening	79 overall; minimum of 21 in writing, 18 in speaking, 13 in reading and 12 in listening
Cambridge Advanced English (CAE)	176 overall; minimum of 169 in all tests	169 overall; minimum score of 169 in writing and speaking and 162 in listening and reading	185 overall; minimum of 176 in all tests
Pearson Test of English (PTE)	50 overall; minimum of 50 in writing and speaking and 42 in reading and listening	50 overall; minimum of 42 in all four communicative skills	58 overall; minimum of 50 in all four communicative skills
ACU English Language Test	C (63-64%)	C (60-62%)	B (65-74%)

*For SAX students where English language study is done concurrently with general ACU units, students will be required to obtain a minimum score as specified in the table above. This applies only to undergraduate students. The recommended scores have been determined in consultation with the ACU Centre for Languages.

Alternative Requirements for Undergraduate Entry

Completion of English studies at High School in Denmark, Finland, Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden and Norway with an acceptable grade:

Denmark	Upper Secondary School: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B level English (only) – minimum grade of 9 B level and A level English – minimum grade of 7
Finland	Completion of High School with grade of 8 in English unit
Germany	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abitur - minimum English score of 3.0 (grades 7-15) DAAD – minimum 4 stars in all 3 areas
Netherlands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VWO (pre-university education) – overall score of 7 in English HAVO (after at least 1 year of university education) - overall score of 7 in English
Norway	Upper Secondary School: IEC – 4/p>
Sweden	Upper Secondary School: Very Good (VG) in English

- 1-year full-time study in English completed at university or high-school level - equivalent to 60 ECTS.
- CEFR - Common European Framework of Reference for Languages statement of English language proficiency at a minimum level of B2 – ACU proforma to be completed by the applicant's home university.
- International Baccalaureate (IB): English A: literature or English A: language or literature at higher or standard level

Note:

- Students undertaking units within Law, Health Sciences and Teacher Education courses may be required to have a higher level of English proficiency as noted in Schedule 4 of the ACU Handbook.
- Unit prerequisites may still apply and require course coordinator's approval.