

English Language Qualifications

Applicants who require a Student Visa, and who are not a national of, nor have obtained a degree in one of the countries on the approved exemption [list](#), will need to provide evidence of their English language ability through the use of a standardised test.

GSA prefers applicants to provide one of the test results from List 1, approved as a UKVI SELT. The exact result required will be shown in the entry conditions of the offer letter. Applicants unable to provide a test result from List 1 may also consult List 2 (English Language Tests and Qualifications) and List 3 (Secondary and Higher Education Qualifications).

If applicants provide a test result from List 2 or List 3 showing the appropriate level of English language ability for entry onto their chosen programme, they will normally be required to undertake a GSA English Language Verification Interview. The only exception to this will be applicants taking the IELTS Academic test from an [approved test centre](#).

(List 1) UKVI Approved Secure English Language Test (SELT)

Tests taken at an approved testing centre will contain a Unique Reference Number (URN) which allows UKVI to verify results. The URN will be stated on the CAS.

Degree Level:

Provider	Test Name	For entry onto main degree - the level you need to obtain will be shown as an IELTS score on your offer letter			Validity
IELTS	IELTS for UKVI	6.0 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component	6.5 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component	6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component	2 years
Trinity College London	Integrated Skills in English II or III	ISE II, with a minimum merit in each component	ISE II, with a distinction in each component	ISE II, with a distinction in each component	2 years
		ISE III, with a pass in each component	ISE III, with a pass in each component	ISE III, with a pass in each component	

Pearsons	Pearson PTE Academic UKVI	59 overall, with a minimum of 59 in each component	59 overall, with a minimum of 59 in each component	59 overall, with a minimum of 59 in each component	2 years
PSI Services (UK) Ltd	Skills for English	Pass in all 4 components at B2 level	Pass in all 4 components at B2 level	Pass in all 4 components at B2 level	2 years
University of Oxford	Oxford test of English	125 overall with no less than 105 in each component	135 overall with no less than 105 in each component	135 overall with no less than 125 in each component	2 years

International Foundation Programme (Candidates MUST provide a SELT for this programme):

Provider	Test Name	Minimum Requirements	Validity
IELTS	IELTS for UKVI	Overall 5.0 with no score below 5.0	2 years
Trinity College London	Integrated Skills in English I or II	ISE I, showing Distinction for each skill; or ISE II certificate showing Pass, for each skill	2 years
Pearsons	Pearson PTE Academic UKVI	43 overall with a minimum of 43 in each component	2 years
PSI Services (UK) Ltd	Skills for English	Pass in all 4 components at required level	2 years

(List 2) English Language Tests and Qualifications

Test results as shown below from the following providers are recognised by GSA and can be used to satisfy the English Language condition for Degree level study ONLY. This does NOT apply for the International Foundation Programme. All test results and qualifications must be dated within 2 years of the course start date. Applicants may also use these test results to enter GSA's English for Creative Disciplines programme, but should consult with the programme team for specific scores required for each module.

All applicants submitting qualifications below may be asked to undertake an additional GSA English Language Verification Interview (ELVI)

(List 2) English Language Tests and Qualifications

Test Name	For entry onto main degree - the level you need to obtain will be shown as an IELTS score on your offer letter		
IELTS Academic or IELTS Indicator	6.0 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component	6.5 overall, with a minimum of 5.5 in each component	6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each component
TOEFL (IBT) and TOEFL IBT at home	72-79 overall, with the following minimum scores in each component:	80+ overall, with the following minimum scores in each component:	80+ overall, with the following minimum scores in each component:
	Listening: 17	Listening: 17	Listening: 17
	Reading: 18	Reading: 18	Reading: 18
	Speaking: 20	Speaking: 20	Speaking: 20
	Writing: 19	Writing: 19	Writing: 22
Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic	54-57 overall, with a minimum of 51 in each component	58+ overall, with a minimum of 51 in each component	58+ overall, with a minimum of 54 in each component
Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE)	169-175 overall, with a minimum of 162 in each component		
Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English	169-175 overall, with a minimum of 162 in each component	176+ overall, with a minimum of 162 in each component	176+ overall, with a minimum of 169 in each component
Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency	169-175 overall, with a minimum of 162 in each component	176+ overall, with a minimum of 162 in each component	176+ overall, with a minimum of 169 in each component
Trinity College London Integrated Skills in English (ISE) II	ISE II, with a minimum merit in each component	ISE II, with a distinction in each component	ISE II, with a distinction in each component
Trinity College London Integrated Skills in English (ISE) III	ISE III, with a pass in each component	ISE III, with a pass in each component	ISE III, with a pass in each component

(List 3) Secondary and Higher Education Qualifications

Undergraduate Entry

Qualifications shown below will be valid for 3 years and can be used to satisfy English language entry requirements for Undergraduate degree level programmes ONLY at GSA. (This excludes the International Foundation Programme)

Postgraduate Entry

Applicants who have completed their Undergraduate studies, where a majority of the programme was delivered in English, can use this in conjunction with the qualifications shown below to satisfy English language entry requirements for Postgraduate degree programmes at GSA. If the language of instruction is not listed on your final transcript, GSA will accept a supporting letter from the awarding institution.

All applicants submitting qualifications below may be asked to undertake an additional GSA English Language Verification Interview (ELVI)

Country/Territory	Qualification	Grade
Austria	Matura	1 or 2 in English
Denmark	Upper Secondary (HF/HHX/HTX)	10 or above in English
Finland	Upper Secondary	M/5 or above in English
Germany	Abitur	10 + in the English as a Hauptfach/Leistungs Kurs
Hong Kong	HKCEE	C or above in English
Iceland	Studentsprof	8 or above in English
India	CBSE/CISCE grade XII	75% of above in English
Malaysia	SPM Advanced English Language	1A-6C
Malta	Matriculation Certificate	B or above in English
Netherlands	VWO	8 or above in English
Norway	Vitnemal	4 or above in written & spoken English
Singapore	O level English	C or above
Sweden	Upper Secondary (Slutbetyg)	VG or B or above in both written & spoken English

The following qualifications, awarded in any country, can also be submitted as per the List 3 guidelines above to satisfy English language entry requirements for Undergraduate and Postgraduate degree-level programmes at GSA.

International Exam Body	Qualification	Grade
Cambridge International	IGCSE First Language English (0500 & 0524 Syllabus)	C or above
Cambridge International	IGCSE First Language English (0900 & 0990 Syllabus)	7 or above
SQA	Higher ESOL	Pass
International Baccalaureate	Diploma (Higher Level English)	4 or above