

Language Proficiency Requirements Policy

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Policy:

Instruction at Brighton College is conducted in English. To ensure students can successfully complete their chosen program, all applicants must demonstrate the necessary language proficiency before admission. Language proficiency requirements are admission requirements and may not be waived by either the institution or the student.

Evidence of English proficiency is required upon admission by meeting one of the following criteria:

1. Completion of 3 years of full-time secondary education (Grades 8-12), or 2 years of if Grade 10-12, with a grade of 'C-' or higher) from a country* where English is one of the principal languages, **or**
2. Completion of 2 years of full-time post-secondary education in a program where English is one of the principal language of instruction (includes international education credentials recognized through WES, ICES, and IQAS), **or**
3. Completion of a language program with a minimum grade/level equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (academic) or higher, from a Languages Canada accredited institution with an established pathway/articulation agreement allowing direct entry (no further testing required) to a diploma or degree program at a public institution in Canada. The pathway/articulation agreement must be current at the date of enrolment.
4. Evidence of achievement in a recognized standardized language assessment at an overall level equivalent to IELTS 5.5 (academic) or higher. Test results must be dated no more than two years before the start date of the program. Standardized language assessments are listed in the chart below:

	Name of English language assessment/test	Minimum score(s)/level(s)*
1.	International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic	Minimum overall score of 5.5
2.	Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) IBT	Minimum overall score of 46
3.	Canadian Academic English Language Assessment (CAEL)	Minimum overall score of 40
4.	Canadian Language Benchmark Placement Test (CLB PT)	Listening 6 , Speaking 6 , Reading 5 , Writing 5
5.	Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program (CELPPI)	Listening 6 , Speaking 6 , Reading 5 , and Writing 5 .
6.	Duolingo English Test (DET)	Minimum overall score of 95
7.	Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic	Minimum overall score of 43
8.	Cambridge English Qualifications: B2 First exam (FCE) <i>Institutions may include other Cambridge Qualifications at a higher level (i.e., C2 Proficiency (CPE)).</i>	Minimum overall score of 160 or "C"
9.	Cambridge Linguaskill	Minimum overall B2 level

10.	LANGUAGECER Academic	Minimum overall B2 level
11.	The Michigan English Test (MET)	Minimum overall B2 level
12.	iTEP Academic	Minimum overall score of 3.5
13.	EIKEN	Minimum placement of Grade Pre-1

Mature student applicants:

Applicant is 19 years or older at the start of the program and is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident who cannot access their educational records or provide sufficient evidence of secondary or post-secondary education as outlined above:

- Applicant provides attestation that they have completed at least three years of full-time instruction in English in a country where the English is one of the principal languages, and
- Applicant completes an Accuplacer English Assessment (Next Generation: Reading, Writing and WritePlacer) and achieves the following minimum scores:
 - Reading: 235
 - Writing: 235
 - WritePlacer: 4

Countries with English as a principal language

Education completed in English in the following countries counts toward an assessment of prior education in English. Education completed in English in countries not listed may still be considered, provided sufficient proof of English instruction is submitted.

American Samoa	Dominica	Lesotho	St. Kitts & Nevis
Anguilla	Falkland Islands	Libera	St. Lucia
Antigua & Barbuda	Fiji	Malta	St. Vincent & the Grenadines
Australia	Gambia	Mauritius	Tanzania
Bahamas	Ghana	Montserrat	Trinidad & Tobago
Barbados	Gibraltar	New Zealand	Turks & Caicos Islands
Belize	Grenada	Nigeria	Uganda
Bermuda	Guam	Seychelles	United Kingdom
Botswana	Guyana	Sierra Leone	US Virgin Islands
British Virgin Islands	Ireland	Singapore	USA
Canada	Jamaica	South Africa	Zambia
Cayman Islands	Kenya	St. Helena	Zimbabwe

Procedure:

1. The students must provide a copy or original of any of the documents listed above to their Educational Advisor at Brighton College. Documents may be submitted in person, by mail, by email or by fax.
2. The Educational Advisor will confirm with the Registrar's Office to ensure the applicant has met the basic requirements for English admission. Language proficiency requirements are admission requirements and may not be waived by either the institution or the student. Educational Advisors **will not** proceed with enrollment procedures before a student has submitted proof of English Proficiency.
3. The documents will be placed in the student file.