

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEVEL REQUIREMENTS

As Heriot-Watt University programmes are delivered and assessed in English, all applicants are required to demonstrate an appropriate level of English language proficiency as part of the admissions process. The type of evidence required may vary depending on the applicant's country of origin, prior qualifications, and chosen programme.

Accepted evidence



Nationality or degree from a UKVI-defined majority Englishspeaking country



A degree taught in English at an overseas campus of a university based in a UKVIlisted country



A valid English language test result from an approved provider (e.g. IELTS Academic, TOEFL iBT)



Successfully completed a presessional English programme (Heriot-Watt or other BALEAPaccredited UK university)



Completed a UK university premaster's qualification



Achieved an approved schoollevel English qualification

The University reserves the right to conduct a pre-CAS interview where appropriate.

Not accepted

- Duolingo
- IELTS Indicator or General Training
- TOEFL myBest/superscores
- PTE Academic (online version)

Resources

- English language requirements
- English Language Requirements Dubai
- English Language Requirements Malaysia
- English Language Requirements: Scotland, Online Programmes, Academic Partnerships
- Student visa: Knowledge of English GOV.UK
- Pre-sessional English | Heriot-Watt University



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