

Heriot-Watt University Malaysia

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As the University's programmes are taught and assessed in English, applicants must be able to prove their level of English language ability as part of the application process.

A. Proposal

This proposal seeks' s Academic committee approval to include additional two English proficiency test as a prerequisite for entry on top of current list that HWUM provided. This is to aim at offering a more comprehensive and effective assessment of our students' language skills.

B. The additional English language test that needs approval

1. TOEFL Essential (Online)
2. Certified Intensive English Programme Level (CIEP Level)

The above English test have been listed in EMGS website and JPT [JPT/GS 100/630 JLD. 3 (12) 6 March 2023].

C. Approval to use the equivalent score as per IELTS

Seeking APF approval to use the equivalent score is per IELTS for the two new English. Please refer to Appendix 1 and 2 as a comparison.

Proposed New English Test – TOEFL Essential (Online) & CIEP Level

ENGLISH REQUIREMENTS					
Qualification	Foundation	UG1	UG2	UG3	PGT
IELTS Academic/ IELTS Indicator	5.5	5.5	6	6.5	6.5
TOEFL iBT/Special Home Edition	70	70	80	90	90
TOEFL Essentials (Online)	8	8	8.5	9.5	9.5
Pearson PTE Academic	44	44	50	58	58
Cambridge (New)	162	162	169	176	176
Cambridge (Old)	FCE Grade C	FCE Grade C	FCE Grade B	FCE Grade A CAE Grade C	FCE Grade A CAE Grade C
Pre-Sessional English Programme* (PSEP)	C	C	C	C	C
ELS Certified Intensive English Programme Level (CIEP Level)	108	108	109	109	109

Appendix 1: HWUM current English requirement

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*This qualification is not appropriate for visa application purposes by EMGS.

Note:

UG1: Accounting and Finance, Business and Finance, Business Administration, International Business Management, Marketing

UG2: Civil Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Computing Science, Quantity Surveying, Psychology, Psychology with Management

UG3: Actuarial Science, Statistical Data Science

Appendix 2: English Equivalent Competency from JPT

LAMPIRAN 1

JADUAL SKOR BAHARU KESETARAAN KOMPETENSI BAHASA INGGERIS

English Competency	Types of Examination	CEFR Low B1	CEFR Mid B1	CEFR High B1	CEFR Low B2	CEFR Mid B2	CEFR High B2
MUET	MUET	B3.0		B3.5	B4.0		B4.5
IELTS	IELTS/ IELTS Online	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5
TOEFL	TOEFL iBT	30 - 31	33	40	46	60	79
	TOEFL Essentials (Online)	5	6.5	7.5	8	8.5	9.5
PEARSON TEST OF ENGLISH	PTE Academic/ PTE Academic (Online)	36	43	47	51	59	63
CAMBRIDGE ENGLISH QUALIFICATIONS AND TESTS	(i) B1 Preliminary, B2 First, C1 Advanced, C2 Proficiency	140	147	154	160	169	176
	(ii) Linguaskill Online						
	(iii) Occupational English Test (OET) (Conventional/Online)	-	-	-	200	250	300
ELS	Certified Intensive English Programme Level (CIEP Level)	106		107	108	109	