

English Language Requirement Changes

1.1 English Language Requirement Exemption by University

There is an exemption on the University requirement for English language certification if a candidates education has been completed in a country where education is delivered in English (detailed in the *Education in English table*).

Candidates may still need English language certification for VISA purposes. Please refer to our *VISA guidance*.

Table: Education in English

Countries where Education is in English
Anguilla
Antigua and Barbuda
Australia
Bahamas
Barbados
Belize
Bermuda
Botswana
British Virgin Islands
Canada
Cayman Islands
Christmas Islands
Cocos Islands
Cook Islands
Dominica
Falkland Islands
Fiji
Gambia
Gibraltar
Grenada
Guyana
Ireland
Jamaica
Kenya
Lesotho
Malawi
Malta
New Zealand
Niue
Norfolk Island
Papua New Guinea
Sierra Leone
Singapore
South Africa
St Kitts and Nevis

St Lucia
St Vincent and the Grenadines
Swaziland
Tanzania
Tonga
Trinidad and Tobago
Turks and Caicos Islands
Uganda
UK
USA
Zambia
Zimbabwe

1.2 English Language Qualification Standards

The GMC requires registering doctors (at foundation) to be at IELTS 7.5 overall, however there is no requirement for candidates starting medical school.

In order to achieve this students entering the course must be proficient in English. For candidates originating from countries where education is given in English there is an exemption of a specific qualification (see Exemption table for details).

If a candidate is applying from outside of these countries then an English language qualification is required. The *English language equivalency table* outlines the minimum requirements for entry into Medicine.

Table: *English language equivalency table*

Your test must have been taken within the past two years

IELTS	7.0 (at least 6.5 in all components)
TOEFL iBT	100
Pearson	68
Cambridge CPE (test taken before Jan 2015)	Grade C
Cambridge CAE (test taken before Jan 2015)	Grade B

Cambridge CPE and CAE (test taken after Jan 2015)	185
TEEP	7
OIBEC	Pass
Cambridge ESOL (Skills for Life)	Level 2
Trinity College ISE	ISE III with Merit in all four components