



ENGLISH PROFICIENCY STANDARDS

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UAH's English Proficiency Standards for non-native English speaking applicants are:

For admission (Undergrad and Grad): TOEFL (iBT): all sub-scores ≥ 18 OR IELTS: all sub-scores ≥ 6.0

For Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA): TOEFL (iBT): no sub-score below 22 OR IELTS: no sub-score below 6.5

In light of the COVID-19 Pandemic, we accept the following additional English Proficiency Assessment tests in addition to what we currently have in place (i.e., TOEFL and IELTS). Given that some of the tests are not as established as TOEFL and IELTS in terms of reliability and validity measures, UAH reserves the right to verify and double check the applicant's English proficiency when deemed necessary.

Additional Assessment Tests	UAH Admission Standards (minimum)
TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition	Students take the exam via the Internet at home. The scoring scale is the same as the regular TOEFL (iBT)
IELTS Indicator	Students take the exam via the Internet at home. The scoring scale is the same as the regular IELTS
Duolingo	100 for admission, 115 for GTA
PTE Academic	53 for admission, 65 for GTA
Pearson Versant English Placement Test (VEPT)	65 for admission, 75 for GTA

In addition, you do not need to submit an English Proficiency Test score if (the burden of proof is on students, when requested):

- English is one of your dominant languages (the language used in the home where you were raised, in the schools where you were educated, and in your daily business); OR
- For applicants to our undergraduate programs, your education from middle school up has been in schools where English is the medium of instruction.
- For applicants to our graduate programs, you have graduated with a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited university where English is the medium of instruction.