

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

IELTS Score <sup>[1]</sup>	Equivalence
Academic IELTS 5.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academic PTE with an overall score of 42</li> <li>TOEFL (iBT) with an overall score of 46</li> <li>STEP EIKEN Grade Pre 1</li> <li>SPM English 1119 Grade C6</li> <li>HKDSE English Language Level 3</li> <li>International GCSE English as First Language Grade C or 4</li> <li>International GCSE English as Second Language Grade B or 5</li> <li>Cambridge English: B2 First / First Certificate in English (FCE) - 162</li> <li>Cambridge English: C1 Advanced / Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) - 162</li> <li>Cambridge English: C2 Proficiency / Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) - 162</li> <li>Occupational English Test (OET) with a minimum score of C in each of the 4 components</li> <li>TAFE NSW General English Program <sup>[2] [4]</sup></li> <li>Completion of Year 12 or equivalent or higher-level studies in one or more of the following countries: UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland <sup>[4]</sup></li> <li>Completion of Year 12 (with a pass in English subject) or equivalent or studies at Certificate IV level or higher in Australia <sup>[4] [5]</sup></li> </ul>
Academic IELTS 6.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academic PTE with an overall score of 50</li> <li>TOEFL (iBT) with an overall score of 60</li> <li>Cambridge English: B2 First / First Certificate in English (FCE) - 169</li> <li>Cambridge English: C1 Advanced / Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) - 169</li> <li>Cambridge English: C2 Proficiency / Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) - 169</li> <li>Occupational English Test (OET) with a minimum score of C in each of the 4 components</li> <li>TAFE NSW English for Academic Purposes <sup>[2] [4]</sup></li> <li>Completion of Year 12 or equivalent or higher-level studies in one or more of the following countries: UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland <sup>[4]</sup></li> <li>Completion of NSW HSC or equivalent or studies at Certificate IV level or higher in Australia <sup>[4] [5]</sup></li> </ul>
Academic IELTS 6.5 (with minimum 6.0 in each section)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academic PTE with an overall score of 58 and minimum score of 50 in each component</li> <li>TOEFL (iBT) with the following minimum scores: overall 79, Reading 19, listening 20, speaking 20 and writing 20</li> <li>Occupational English Test (OET) with a minimum score of B in each of the 4 components</li> <li>TAFE NSW English for Academic Purposes <sup>[2] [4]</sup></li> <li>Completion of Year 12 or equivalent or higher-level studies in one or more of the following countries: UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland <sup>[4]</sup></li> <li>Completion of NSW HSC* or equivalent or studies at Certificate IV level or higher in Australia <sup>[4] [5]</sup></li> </ul> <p>* If you have completed HSC in Australia then to meet the English requirements for <i>Bachelor of Early Childhood Education and Care</i> you need:  <b>NSW:</b> Completion of NSW HSC with a Band 4 in English as Second Language (2 Units)  <b>VIC:</b> Completion of VCE with a study score of 35 in English (EAL) or equivalent in other Australian states</p>
Academic IELTS 7.0 (with minimum 7.0 in each section)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academic PTE with an overall score of 65 and minimum score of 65 in each component</li> <li>TOEFL (iBT) with the following minimum scores: overall 94, Reading 24, listening 24, speaking 23 and writing 27</li> <li>Occupational English Test (OET) with a minimum score of B in each of the 4 components</li> <li>English is your primary language and you have completed at least six years of primary and secondary education taught and assessed solely in English, including at least two years between years 7 and 12, in one or more of the following countries: Australia, UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland <sup>[6]</sup></li> <li>Completion of at least five years (full-time equivalent) continuous education (secondary, vocational, tertiary) taught and assessed solely in English, in one or more of the following countries: Australia, UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland <sup>[7]</sup></li> <li>Other <a href="#">equivalent</a> as per AHPRA Registration Standard for Nursing and Midwifery <sup>[8]</sup></li> </ul>

**Please Note:**

- Only [IELTS Academic test](#) taken in a test centre is accepted by TAFE NSW. [IELTS Online test](#) or any other online English Proficiency test is not accepted.
- If you do not meet the English competency requirements, you can choose to study an [English Course](#) at a TAFE NSW English Language Centre before you start your course.
- Depending on your nationality, the Australian Department of Home Affairs (DoHA) might accept only approved English test result as proof of English competency for student visa purposes. Go to the [Department of Home Affairs](#) website for details.
- If you have completed your studies in Australia (or other Countries listed above) more than 2 years ago then you must explain the gap with relevant studies in an English speaking environment (or) work experience in an English speaking country (or) provide an acceptable alternative to meet English proficiency. Please note that the Department of Home Affairs might still require you to take an approved English test at the time of visa application.
- If you are using Australian study to meet English entry requirement to study at TAFE NSW, you must provide evidence of one of the following:
  - Completion of Year 12/HSC in Australia
  - Completion of AQF Certificate IV in Australia
  - Completion of minimum one semester in higher AQF qualifications
  - Completion of Foundation Program with a pass in English
- You must declare on the TAFE NSW application form in section 4 that English is your primary language.
- You must show evidence of continuous education with no gap as at the time of submitting an application for Diploma of Nursing course. If there is a gap you will be required to provide a valid English Language test result.
- You must meet the English language requirements as per AHPRA Registration Standard for Nursing and Midwifery at the time of application for Diploma of Nursing course.
- TAFE NSW reserves the right to accept your application.