


IOWA WESTERN

IWCC Academic Programs: English Proficiency Requirement

To qualify for admission to a regular academic program of study, international student applicants must fulfill all the college's application and admission requirements, as well as provide one of the following forms of English language assessment for admission. Alternatively, students may provide documentation proving that they originate from or have completed education in one of the recognized Waiver Countries.

Standardized Aptitude Assessments

ASSESSMENT	MINIMUM REQUIRED RESULTS
Duolingo	90
Eiken	Grade 2 (w/min. score 2304), PRE 1, or 1
IELTS	5.5 Band, 5.0 each sub-score
PTE Academic	44
PTE Express	42 or higher
SEPT (Sakae Institute English Proficiency Test)	Level 9
TOEFL - Internet Based (iBT) IWCC's School Code: 6302	60 (new scoring system = 3.5 or higher)

Secondary and Post-Secondary Achievement

The English Proficiency requirement will be considered met or will be waived only after Iowa Western Community College (IWCC) has received and evaluated official documents, including transcripts.

- Previous completion of at least two years of high school (secondary school) in the U.S. Official transcripts required or HiSET/GED Completion of Exams in English.
- Previous completion of college Level English: Grade of 'C' or higher in college level English composition course at a regionally accredited U.S. college or university. Official transcripts required.
- Earned an Associate, Bachelor, Master, or Doctorate Degree at a regionally accredited U.S. college or university. Official transcript required.
- Earned 30 or more semester credits of college level (not ESL) coursework at a regionally accredited U.S. college or university. Official transcript required.
- Successful completion of the Iowa Western ESL program and/or Pathway program with a grade of 'C' or higher in all required courses.

Proof of successful completion of ESL coursework with grades of 'C' or higher at one of the following approved intensive English Language Schools. Other programs may be considered upon request.

- University of Nebraska at Omaha's [Intensive English Program \(IEP\)](#)
- Creighton University's [Intensive English Language Institute \(IELI\)](#) at the [High Intermediate Level](#)
- Metropolitan Community College of Nebraska's [English as a Second Language \(ESL\)](#) Advanced Level Reading and Writing Courses
- Iowa State University's [ENGL 1010C: English for Native Speakers of Other Languages: Academic English II—Undergraduates](#) Course
- ELS's [Intensive English Program Advanced Level 107-109](#)

Documentation for English Proficiency should be uploaded to an applicant's online application. Questions about English Proficiency should be sent to [International Student Services \(international@iwcc.edu\)](mailto:international@iwcc.edu).

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