



IWCC ESL Pathway Program: English Proficiency Requirement

Iowa Western Community College (IWCC) does not offer a fulltime intensive English language program. It offers a short-term, one semester ESL Pathway program intended to introduce new international students to introductory undergraduate courses. Students enrolled in the program will be eligible to earn at least 12 academic credits while developing vital skills needed for success at IWCC. Students are required to pursue a Certificate, Diploma, or Associate's Degree while enrolled in the program.

To qualify for admission to IWCC's ESL Pathway program, applicants must meet all the application and admission requirements for IWCC, as well as provide one of the following forms of English language assessment for admission. If you are in progress of meeting one of IWCC's English proficiency requirements, you may apply to receive conditional admission into academic programs at IWCC.

Standardized Aptitude Assessments

ASSESSMENT	MINIMUM REQUIRED RESULTS
Duolingo	65
Eiken	Level 2 (w/ min. score 1980-2303)
IELTS	4.5 Band, 4.0 each sub-score
PTE Academic	42
PTE Express	36
SEPT (Sakae Institute English Proficiency Test)	Level 7
TOEFL - Internet Based (iBT) IWCC's School Code: 6302	42 (new scoring system = 3 minimum)

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 one year of high school (secondary school) in the U.S. Official transcripts required.
- HiSET/GED Completion of exams in English.

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.

- Creighton University's [Intensive English Language Institute \(IELI\)](#) at the [Intermediate Level](#)
- Metropolitan Community College of Nebraska's [English as A Second Language \(ESL\)](#) High Intermediate Level Reading and Writing Courses
- Iowa State University's [ENGL 1010B: English for Native Speakers of Other Languages: Academic English](#) Course
- ELS's [Intensive English Program Intermediate Level 104-106](#)

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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