

# PROOF OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY EXEMPTIONS

The following applicants are exempt from submitting [English language proficiency](#) scores:

**1** International students who completed a minimum of two years of full-time secondary study (in the final two years of secondary study) or one year of full-time postsecondary study or higher education in a country where English is an official language or the only language of common usage.

Check below if your country is listed on our [English as a Second Language \(ESL\) exemption list](#).

**2** International students who obtain an International Baccalaureate in English from one of the International Schools' members of the Council of International Schools ([www.cois.org](http://www.cois.org)).

**3** Graduation from Niagara College's English for Academic Preparation program offering conditional admission.

- All other students must submit their valid English Language Proficiency Test scores to International Admissions. Only tests taken in the last two years are considered valid. For more information on which English language proficiency tests accepted by Niagara College, please [click here](#).

**Please note:** exemptions do not apply to NC's [Teaching English as a Second Language \(TESL\)](#) and [Pharmacy Technician](#) programs which still require proof of English language proficiency for admission.

**Students who completed their high school (secondary school) education in one of the countries listed below are deemed exempt from providing their English Language Proficiency scores:**

Antigua and Barbuda	Gambia	Philippines*
Australia	Ghana	Sierra Leone
Bahamas	Grenada	Singapore
Barbados	Guyana	Solomon Islands
Belize	Ireland	South Africa
Bermuda	Jamaica	St. Kitts and Nevis
Botswana	Kenya	St. Lucia
British Virgin Islands	Kiribati	St. Vincent & the Grenadines
Cameroon <i>with GCE O and A level English courses</i>	Liberia	Tanzania
Canada <i>All provinces except Quebec</i>	Marshall Islands	Trinidad & Tobago
Cayman Islands	Mauritius	Uganda
Dominica	Micronesia	United Kingdom <i>England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales</i>
Ethiopia*	New Zealand	United States of America
Fiji	Nigeria	Zambia
		Zimbabwe

**\*Conditions Apply:** Students must provide proof that they have studied in a fully English curriculum in their most recent studies.

Students who completed their high school (secondary school) education in a country not listed above are required to provide their English Language Proficiency scores. For more information, [click here](#).