

### 1 PURPOSE

To ensure Axial's minimum English language course entry levels are clearly defined.

### 2 POLICY

For international students who fall into one of the following categories, evidence of the minimum English language level is not required:

1. you are a citizen and hold a passport from UK, USA, Canada, NZ or Republic of Ireland
2. you are an applicant who is a Foreign Affairs or Defence sponsored student, or a Secondary Exchange student (AASES)
3. you are enrolled in a principal course of study that is a registered school course
4. you are enrolled in a principal course of study that is a standalone English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS)
5. you are enrolled in a principal course of study registered and delivered in a language other than English
6. you are enrolled in a registered post-graduate research course
7. you have completed at least 5 years' study in English in Australia, UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland
8. in the 2 years before applying for the Student visa you completed the Senior Secondary Certificate of Education in Australia in English while you held a Student visa
9. in the 2 years before applying for the Student visa you completed a substantial component of a course that would qualify you under the Australian Qualifications Framework at the Certificate IV or higher level, while you held a Student visa.

For all other students, the required minimum English language level for all Axial International College courses is one of the following:

Test Name	Minimum test score	Minimum test score if principal course is accompanied with either at least 10 weeks of ELICOS	Minimum test score if principal course is accompanied by at least 20 weeks of ELICOS
C1 Advanced	161	Excluded*	Excluded*
CELPIC General	7	6	5
IELTS Academic	6.0	5.5	5.0
IELTS General Training	6.0	5.5	5.0
LANGUAGECER Academic	61	54	46
MET	53	49	44
OET	1210	1090	1020
PTE Academic	47	39	31
TOEFL iBT	67	51	37

\* C1 Advanced test does not accept any test scores below IELTS 6.

The following conditions apply to the above guidelines:

- Original documentary evidence or certified copies must be provided.
- If the test is provided at the time the student submits their application, the test must have been taken within 2 years immediately before the date of the visa application.
- Axial does not accept evidence from English language tests where an entire test is delivered online (also known as "remote-proctored" or "at-home").
- If the test is not provided at the time the student submits their application, the test must have been taken within 2 years immediately before Axial make the decision to accept the student's enrolment.
- The requirements set out above may not necessarily be the requirements a student must meet to obtain a student visa. Please refer to the Department of Home Affairs for specific information: [www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au)
- Applications from students who do not provide evidence of English language level may be accepted upon verification of the current Student Visa requirements via the [Department of Home Affairs Document Checklist Tool](#).
  - Applicants whose passport is from a country that does not require evidence of English language level for their Visa application at the time of their application may be granted a letter of offer without the need to provide evidence of completing one of the English tests noted above.

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- In this instance Axial may request the student undertake the Axial International College English Language Skills Placement Test to assist in determining if the student meets the required English level for their chosen course:  
[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Axial\\_International\\_College](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Axial_International_College)
- If undertaking the Axial International College English Language Skills Placement Test, student may be able to re-take the test to attempt a higher score, however the number of re-attempts will be at Axial's discretion to ensure integrity of the English test process.
- Applications whose educational background or other application information suggests that they may not meet the English language requirement of the course may still be required to provide the evidence of English language level as per the above guidelines.