

BSMS ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS 2027

If you require a visa to study in the UK there are date validity requirements regulated by the UK Government for different English language qualifications. The valid time for each qualification is indicated in the middle column under the title 'Validity Policy', either with an A or a B.

If you are unsure the English qualification you hold or plan to take meets these requirements, or if you just want to confirm it meets our entry requirements, please email a scanned copy of your qualification to medadmissions@bsms.ac.uk and we will confirm if your qualification is acceptable or not. **NOTE: BSMS will not accept English language instruction undergraduate and postgraduate qualifications (for example degrees, Masters, PhDs) in place of one of the listed recognised English language qualifications below.**

English Language Validity Code Definitions	
Validity Policy Code	Validity Duration
A	2 years prior to start date of course
B	5 years prior to start date of course

GCSE/IGCSE Minimum Entry Requirements		
Type of Qualification	English Language Validity Code	BSMS Minimum Entry Requirements
GCSE English Language	B	Grade B/6 overall
IGCSE First Language English	B	Grade B/6 overall
IGCSE Second Language English	B	Grade A/7 overall

Type of Qualification	English Language Validity Code	BSMS Minimum Entry Requirements
IELTS ACADEMIC for UKVI	A	7 overall, minimum of 7 in all components
IELTS Academic & IELTS Online	A	7 overall, minimum of 7 in all components

Trinity Integrated Skills in English (ISE) III & IV	A	Trinity ISE III: minimum of Merit in all components Trinity ISE IV: minimum of Pass in all components
Pearson PTE Academic – Centre based test only – online not accepted. Pearson PTE Academic UKVI – Centre based test only – online not accepted.	A	76 overall, minimum component scores of Listening 63, Reading 64, Speaking 82, Writing 76
TOEFL Internet Based (iBT) – Centre based test only – online not accepted. <i>New TOEFL iBT scoring requirement to be confirmed</i>	A	99 overall, minimum component scores of Listening 24, Reading 24, Speaking 25, Writing 26
LanguageCert Academic – SELT version of C1 Expert only	A	33 overall, minimum of 35 in all components
Cambridge Assessment English - B2 First (FCE)	A	188 overall, minimum of 184 in all components
Cambridge Assessment English – C2 Proficiency – CPE	A	188 overall, minimum of 184 in all components
Cambridge Assessment English – C1 Advanced- CAE	A	180 overall, minimum of 180 in all components
A Level English Language, English Literature or English Literature & Language	B	Grade B overall
International Baccalaureate Diploma	B	6 Higher Level (HL) or 6 Standard Level (SL) English Strand A 7 Higher Level (HL) English Strand B Standard Level (SL) English Strand B not accepted
European Baccalaureate Diploma Advanced English Language 1 English Language 2 Advanced English Language 2 English Language 3 & 4	B	6 or higher 7 or higher 6,5 or higher Not accepted

INTO International Foundation (excluding INTO London & INTO Gloucestershire)	B	INTO English 70% overall, minimum 70% in all components
INTO English Language Assessment London (IELA) (accepted as part of foundation or as standalone English test)	A	Pass IELA with overall average 185/C1+, minimum of 180 in all components
NCUK English for Academic Purposes	A	A overall, minimum of A in all components
Bellerbys Academic English Skills (AES)	A	75% overall, minimum of 70% in all components
Kaplan International Courses English Exit Test	A	Foundation Certificate and International Year One: English component 70% overall, minimum of 70% in all components
Kaplan Test of English (KTE)	A	511 overall, minimum 511 in all components
Occupational English Test (OET)	A	350 overall average, minimum of 350 in all components