

## Table of UniSA International comparative English requirements

The **minimum** English language entry requirements for international students who do not speak English as their first language are as follows:

### Undergraduate programs

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic: Overall 6.0 (with 6.0 in Reading and Writing) obtained within the last two years

### Postgraduate programs

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic: Overall 6.5 (with 6.0 in Reading and Writing) obtained within the last two years

**or**

- a corresponding result via one of the alternative English language tests recognised by the University. For information regarding score equivalency between English tests recognised by the University, please refer to the English language score equivalency table below.

\* Please note that many programs have a higher IELTS (Academic) requirement than the minimum of 6.0 (with 6.0 in Reading and Writing) and/or include specific sub-score requirements. Information on particular program requirements can be accessed through the relevant [program tables](#).

Applicants are required to meet at least one of the English language entry requirements listed. Possession of one or more of these qualifications, in addition to the academic entry requirements, does not, in itself, guarantee a place at the University of South Australia. Applications are considered on an individual basis and selection is competitive. Where previous study/work experience was conducted in English, the application must be accompanied by certified documentation from the educational institution/employer certifying that the language of instruction/employment was English.

IELTS	TOEFL PBT	TOEFL iBT	Cambridge CPE	Cambridge CAE	CELUSA	Pearson PTE Academic Bands below as per the Pearson equivalency table	OET	Previous study or work experience
<b>6.0</b> <b>6 RW</b>	550 with TWE of 4.5	80 with no band less than 20	C	52 (no less than Borderline in RW)	AE4	59 with no communicative score less than 53		Successful completion of a secondary qualification in Australia within the last two years <b>OR</b> Successful completion of at least one year of tertiary study in Australia within the last two years <b>OR</b> Successful completion within the last two years of one year of secondary or tertiary study, undertaken in English in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University
<b>6.0</b> <b>6 RWSL</b>	550 With TWE of 4.5	80 with no band less than 20	C	52 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE4	59 with no communicative score less than 53		Successful completion of a secondary qualification in Australia within the last two years <b>OR</b> Successful completion of at least one year of tertiary study in Australia within the last two years <b>OR</b> Successful completion within the last two years of one year of secondary or tertiary study, undertaken in English in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University
<b>6.5</b> <b>6 RW</b>	577 with TWE of 4.5	90 with no band less than 20	C	58 (no less than Borderline in RW)	AE5	66 with no communicative score less than 60		Successful completion within the last two years of an Australian matriculation qualification (or equivalent) undertaken in English in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University.

							<p><b>OR</b></p> <p>Successful completion within the last two years of a tertiary qualification at diploma level or above and undertaken in English in Australia.</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>Successful completion of at least two years of tertiary study at diploma level or above and undertaken in English within the last four years in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University.</p> <p>Note: At the University's discretion, significant and relevant work experience obtained in an English speaking setting may also be accepted in lieu of an English language test score obtained via one of the tests recognised by the University.</p>
6.5 6 RWSL	577 with TWE of 5.0	90 with no band less than 20	C	58 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE5	66 with no communicative score less than 60	<p>Successful completion within the last two years of an Australian matriculation qualification (or equivalent) undertaken in English in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University.</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>Successful completion within the last two years of a tertiary qualification at diploma level or above and undertaken in English in Australia.</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>Successful completion of at least two years of tertiary study at diploma level or above and undertaken in English within the last four years in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University.</p> <p>Note: At the University's discretion, significant and relevant work experience obtained in an English</p>

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<b>6.5</b> <b>6.5</b> <b>RWSL</b>	577 with TWE of 5.0	90 with no band less than 22-24	C	58 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE5	66 with no communicative score less than 64		Successful completion within the last two years of an Australian matriculation qualification (or equivalent) undertaken in English in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University. <b>OR</b> Successful completion within the last two years of a tertiary qualification at diploma level or above and undertaken in English in Australia. <b>OR</b> Successful completion of at least two years of tertiary study at diploma level or above and undertaken in English within the last four years in a country in which English is widely used, as determined by the University.  Note: At the University's discretion, significant and relevant work experience obtained in an English speaking setting may also be accepted in lieu of an English language test score obtained via one of the tests recognised by the University.
<b>7.0</b> <b>6 RW</b>	600 with TWE of 4.5	100 with no band less than 20	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RW)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68		Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.
<b>7.0</b> <b>6 RWSL</b>	600 with TWE of 5.0	100 with no band less than 20	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68	Four B's in each band in one sitting	Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.
<b>7.0</b>	600 with	100 with no	C	67 (no less	AE6	74 with no		Previous study does not apply to this proficiency

<b>6RW 6.5 SL</b>	TWE of 5.0	band less than 22-24		than Borderline in RWSL)		communicative score less than 68	level.
<b>7.0 6.5 RW</b>	600 with TWE of 5.0	100 with no band less than 22-24	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RW)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68	Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.
<b>7.0 6.5 RWSL</b>	600 with TWE of 5.0	100 with no band less than 22-24	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68	Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.
<b>7.0 7 RW</b>	600 with TWE of 5.0	100 with no band less than 24	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RW)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68	Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.
<b>7.0 6.5 RL 7 WS</b>	600 with TWE of 5.0	100 with no band less than 24	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68	Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.
<b>7.0 7 RWSL</b>	600 with TWE of 5.0	100 with no band less than 24	C	67 (no less than Borderline in RWSL)	AE6	74 with no communicative score less than 68	Previous study does not apply to this proficiency level.

### Notes

**Note 1:** Any English language test result is valid for two years prior to the date of commencement at UniSA.

**Note 2:** Through UniSA International, the University maintains current information on countries where English is widely used and which, therefore, satisfy 'previous study' criteria.

**Note 3:** Country-specific English language requirements are maintained by UniSA International.