

## SCHEDULE A: ENGLISH LANGUAGE CRITERIA FOR DEAKIN COURSEWORK PROGRAMS (Approved by Academic Board on 10 July 2018)

This Schedule is made pursuant to the [Admission Criteria and Selection \(Higher Education Courses\) procedure](#).

Deakin University applies four standards for English language criteria (Bands A – D) for admission to coursework programs. In accordance with the *Admission Criteria and Selection (Higher Education Courses) procedure*, both domestic and international applicants for Deakin courses must meet the English language criteria as specified for the relevant Band.

This Schedule sets out the following English language criteria:

- **Table A1** – English language Bands for Deakin coursework courses
- **Table A2** – Standard criteria for English language proficiency
- **Table A3** – International equivalences of the standard criteria set out in Table A2 for English language proficiency tests
- **Table A4** – International equivalences of the standard criteria set out in Table A2 for English language proficiency qualifications.

In addition to the criteria set out in Tables A1 to A4, applicants may also demonstrate they meet the English language proficiency criteria through sufficient evidence<sup>1</sup> of ongoing residence and employment for a period not less than 5 years within Australia, or specified English speaking country<sup>2</sup>, in occupation requiring proficient written and verbal communication in English.

Submission of other evidence of English language proficiency which is judged as acceptable by the Academic Board may be made using the [English language proficiency request template](#).

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<sup>1</sup> Passport and residency/citizenship documentation and supporting statements from employers with current contact details to allow verification

<sup>2</sup> Australia, Canada, Fiji, Ireland, Kenya, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, United Kingdom (including Northern Ireland), United States of America, Zambia.

**Table A1: English Language Bands for Deakin Courses**

<b>UNDERGRADUATE COURSES</b>	<b>Standard</b>
<b><i>All undergraduate courses at Deakin are classified as <u>Band A</u> unless specified below (except the Faculty of Health in which all undergraduate courses are classified as <u>Band B</u> unless specified).</i></b>	
<b>FACULTY OF ARTS AND EDUCATION</b>	
Education and Teaching (E359, E377, E330, E430): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bachelor of Education (Primary)</li> <li>• Bachelor of Health and Physical Education</li> <li>• Bachelor of Education (Early Years)</li> <li>• Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Honours)</li> </ul>	Band C
<b>FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND LAW</b>	
Bachelor of Laws and related combined degrees	Band C
<b>FACULTY OF HEALTH</b>	
<b>INTERNATIONAL applicants only:</b>	
<i>All undergraduate courses are classified as <u>Band B</u> for INTERNATIONAL applicants unless specified below <sup>3</sup></i>	
Bachelor of Social Work Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)	Band D <sup>4</sup>
Bachelor of Medical Imaging	Band D
Bachelor of Nursing and related combined degrees Bachelor of Vision Science/Master of Optometry	Band D <sup>4</sup>
<b>FACULTY OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT</b>	
Bachelor of Forensic Science (Honours) Bachelor of Information Technology (Honours) Bachelor of Science (Honours) Bachelor of Environmental Science (Honours)	Band B

<sup>3</sup> Variance in Band levels is due to professional accreditation requirements for international students.

<sup>4</sup> International applicants who have completed secondary qualifications taught in English (Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) English Units 3 and 4 (or equivalent Australian secondary education qualifications) should meet the requirements of Band D as listed in Table A2 of this Schedule.

**Table A1: English Language Bands for Deakin Courses (continued)**

<b>POSTGRADUATE COURSES</b>	<b>Standard</b>
<b>All postgraduate courses at Deakin are classified as <u>Band B</u>, unless specified below.</b>	
<b>FACULTY OF ARTS AND EDUCATION</b>	
Specialist Registration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate Certificate of Specialist Inclusive Education</li> <li>• Graduate Certificate of Languages Teaching</li> <li>• Graduate Certificate of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (Education)</li> <li>• Master of Languages Teaching</li> <li>• Master of Specialist Inclusive Education</li> </ul>	Completed IELTS academic module test of English language proficiency with a minimum overall 7.0, no band less than 7.0, and minimum of 7.5 in speaking and listening. Results must be obtained no more than 2 years prior to the date of enrolment or equivalent  <b>OR</b> Completion of a bachelor degree in Australia or other specified English-speaking country <sup>5</sup> , with a WAM of at least 65 or equivalent.
Initial Teacher Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate Certificate of Applied Learning and Teaching</li> <li>• Master of Applied Learning and Teaching</li> <li>• Master of Teaching (Early Childhood)</li> <li>• Master of Teaching (Primary)</li> <li>• Master of Teaching (Secondary)</li> <li>• Master of Teaching (Primary and Early Childhood)</li> <li>• Master of Teaching (Primary and Secondary)</li> </ul>	
<b>FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND LAW</b>	
Juris Doctor and related combined degrees	Completed IELTS academic module test of English language proficiency, overall 7.0, no band less than 7.0, speaking and listening 7.5.
<b>FACULTY OF HEALTH</b>	
Doctor of Medicine Master of Dietetics Master of Social Work Master of Psychology (Clinical) and (Organisational)	Band D
<b>INTERNATIONAL<sup>6</sup> applicants only:</b>	
Master of Professional Psychology	Band D

<sup>5</sup> Australia, Canada, Fiji, Ireland, Kenya, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, United Kingdom (including Northern Ireland), United States of America, Zambia.

<sup>6</sup> Variance in Band levels is due to professional accreditation requirements for international students.

**Table A2 – Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses – Standard criteria for English Language proficiency**

Satisfactory completion of one of the following, no more than 2 years prior to enrolment at Deakin, unless otherwise specified:

Qualification	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
<b>Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) English Units 3 and 4 (or equivalent Australian secondary qualifications)</b> <i>[Equivalent secondary qualifications set out in Table A4]</i>	25 in English as an Additional Language (EAL) or 20 in any other English	30 in English as an Additional Language (EAL) or 25 in any other English	35 in English as an Additional Language (EAL) or 25 in any other English	35 in English as an Additional Language (EAL) or 30 in any other English
<b>International English Language Testing System (IELTS)</b> <i>[Equivalent English language tests set out in Table A3]</i>	6/6 Overall 6.0, no band less than 6.0	6.5/6 Overall 6.5, no band less than 6.0	7/6.5 Overall 7.0, no band less than 6.5	7/7 Overall 7.0, no band less than 7.0
<b>Study at an institution where English is the language of instruction, completed <u>NO MORE than 2 years prior to enrolment at Deakin</u></b>	Successful completion of 1 academic year of full-time study at Certificate IV or equivalent	Successful completion of 1 academic year of full-time study at Bachelor degree level or higher, or equivalent with a minimum WAM of 50	Successful completion of 2 academic years of full-time study at Bachelor degree level or higher, or equivalent with a minimum WAM of 60	Successful completion of 2 academic years of full-time study at Bachelor degree level or higher, or equivalent with a minimum WAM of 65
<b>Study at an institution where English is the language of instruction, completed <u>MORE than 2 years prior to enrolment at Deakin</u></b>	Entire secondary and/or post-secondary studies conducted in English	Entire secondary and/or tertiary studies conducted in English	Entire secondary and/or tertiary studies conducted in English	Entire secondary and/or tertiary studies conducted in English and ongoing residence since graduation
<b>Study at an institution within a non-English speaking country, but where English is the language of instruction and assessment for the whole institution, completed no more than 5 years prior to enrolment at Deakin</b>	Successful completion of 1 academic year of full-time study at a Bachelor degree level with a minimum WAM of 50	Successful completion of 2 academic years of full-time study at a Bachelor degree level with a minimum WAM of 55	Successful completion of 2 academic years of full-time study at a Bachelor degree level with a minimum WAM of 60	Successful completion of 2 academic years of full-time study at a Bachelor degree level with a minimum WAM of 65

**Table A2 – Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses – Standard criteria for English Language proficiency (continued)**

Qualification	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
<b>Deakin University English Language Institute (DUELI) English for Academic Purposes program (EAP)<sup>7</sup></b>	EAP 3 60%	EAP 4 60%	EAP 4 70%	EAP 4 75% English for Nursing: 60%
<b>DUELI TEST<sup>8</sup></b>	DUELI Test score of 6.0	DUELI Test score of 6.5	DUELI Test score of 7.0	DUELI Test score of 7.0
<b>Deakin College – approved pathway programs</b>	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 50	<i>For undergraduate programs:</i> successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 50  <i>For postgraduate programs:</i> pass grade in each communication and academic skills instructions unit in the Master Qualifying Program (MQP) or MQP Extended	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 70	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 75
<b>International Baccalaureate Diploma</b>	Grade 4 in English	Grade 4 in English	Grade 5 in English	Grade 5 in English
<b>Australian University Foundation Program</b>	60% in English	70% in English	71%-74% in English	75% in English
<b>Australian Qualification Framework level 5 diploma program or higher</b> (Australian university or other Australian provider)	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 50	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 60	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 70	Successful completion of Diploma course with a WAM of 75

<sup>7</sup> Program completed no more than 1 year prior to enrolment at Deakin.

<sup>8</sup> Program completed no more than 6 months prior to enrolment at Deakin.

**Table A3 – Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses – International equivalences for English language proficiency tests**

This table sets out international equivalences to English language proficiency **tests** in the standard criteria for English language proficiency set out in Table A2.

Qualification	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
<b>Common European Framework Language System (CEFLS)<sup>9</sup></b>	Certificate of English Language Proficiency from home institution with an overall grade of C1	Certificate of English Language Proficiency from home institution with an overall grade of C1	N/A	N/A
<b>Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (Internet-based Test - IBT)</b>	65 Writing 21	70 Writing 21	94 Writing 24	94 Writing 27
<b>TOEFL (Paper-based Test - PBT)</b>	550 Writing 4.5	577 Writing 4.5	600 Writing 4.5	600 Writing 5
<b>Cambridge English Proficiency (CPE) (formerly known as Certificate of Proficiency in English)</b>	169, no band less than 169	176, no band less than 169	185, no band less than 176	185, no band less than 185
<b>Cambridge English Advanced (CAE)</b>	169, no band less than 169	176, no band less than 169	185, no band less than 176	185, no band less than 185
<b>Pearson's Test of English (Academic) (PTE)</b>	52 No less than 50 in each skill	58 No less than 50 in each skill	65 No less than 58 in each skill	65 No less than 65 in each skill
<b>Occupational English Test (OET) (for Health related award course entry only)</b>	Overall C	Overall C+	Overall B (equivalent to an IELTS 7-7.5 range)	Overall B (Equivalent to an IELTS 7-7.5 range)
<b>SPM (Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia) English 1119 (accepted at least 5 years prior to enrolment at Deakin)</b>	C	C	B	B

<sup>9</sup> Applicable to study abroad and exchange students only.

**Table A4 – Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses – International equivalences for English language proficiency qualifications**

This table sets out international equivalences to English language proficiency **qualifications** in the standard criteria for English language proficiency set out in Table A2.

Qualification	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
<b>English Medium program from an approved Thai university</b> (Chulalongkorn, Mahidol, ChiangMai, Thammasat and Kasetsart Universities and King Mongkote Institute of Technology)	N/A	4 academic years of full-time study with a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or greater (credit average)	N/A	N/A
<b>United Kingdom GCE A Levels/Singapore – Cambridge GCE A Levels</b>	C grade in the General Paper OR C grade in a Humanities and Social Sciences subject at Higher 1 (H1) or Higher 2 (H2) level	C grade in the General Paper OR C grade in a Humanities and Social Sciences subject at Higher 1 (H1) or Higher 2 (H2) level	B grade in the General Paper OR B grade in a Humanities and Social Sciences subject at Higher 1 (H1) or Higher 2 (H2) level	B grade in the General Paper OR B grade in a Humanities and Social Sciences subject at Higher 1 (H1) or Higher 2 (H2) level
<b>Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)</b>	HKDSE: English Level 3 with no component level less than 3	HKDSE: English level 4 with no component level less than 3	N/A	N/A
<b>Canadian Pre-University Program</b> (Ontario Secondary School Diploma) <sup>10</sup>	50% in either final year English subjects ENG4U or ENG4C	50% in either final year English subjects ENG4U or ENG4C	60% in either final year English subjects ENG4U or ENG4C	60% in either final year English subjects ENG4U or ENG4C
<b>Denmark - Studentereksamen</b>	Grade 7 in English A or Grade 10 in English B	Grade 7 in English A or Grade 10 in English B	Grade 7 in English A or Grade 10 in English B	Grade 7 in English A or Grade 10 in English B
<b>Finland – Finnish Upper Secondary School Diploma</b> (Lukionpaastotodistus)	Grade 8 in English A or English (Advanced) Matriculation Exam (Ylioppilastutkinto) Pass in English (Advanced) STABEX students only: Grade 7 in English A or English (Advanced)	STABEX students only: Grade 8 in English A or English (Advanced)	N/A	N/A

<sup>10</sup> Program completed no more than two years prior to enrolment at Deakin.

**Table A4 – Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses – International equivalences for English language proficiency qualifications (continued)**

Qualification	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
<b>Germany - Fachhochschulereife Abitur &amp; DAAD</b>	<p>Fachhochschulereife with at least 3 in English; or Abitur with at least 7 in English or minimum of either;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B in all four bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (if taken prior to 2015); OR</li> </ul> <p>B2 (4 star) in all three bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (undertaken from 2015)</p>	<p>Fachhochschulereife with at least 3 in English; or Abitur with at least 7 in English or minimum of either;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B in all four bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (if taken prior to 2015); OR</li> </ul> <p>B2 (4 star) in all three bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (undertaken from 2015)</p>	<p>Fachhochschulereife with at least 2 in English; or Abitur with at least 9 in English or minimum of either;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A in all four bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (if taken prior to 2015); OR</li> </ul> <p>C1 (5 stars) in all three bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (undertaken from 2015)</p>	<p>Fachhochschulereife with at least 2 in English; or Abitur with at least 9 in English or minimum of either;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A in all four bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (if taken prior to 2015); OR</li> </ul> <p>C1 (5 stars) in all three bands of the DAAD Language Certificate (undertaken from 2015)</p>
<p><b>India</b> <i>(Qualifications must be completed no more than 2 years prior to enrolment at Deakin)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All India Senior School Certificate – Central Board of Secondary Education: 60% in English</li> <li>Indian School Certificate – India Council for School Examination: 60% in English</li> <li>Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) – State Secondary School Boards: 65% in English</li> <li>Pre-University Examination Certificate awarded by a university after one year of study beyond Secondary School Certificate (SSC-Class X ) in an affiliated College: 65% in English</li> </ul> <p>Tamil Nadu Higher School Certificate: 120/200</p>	N/A	N/A	N/A



**Table A4 – Undergraduate and Postgraduate Courses – International equivalences for English language proficiency qualifications (continued)**

Qualification	Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D
<b>The Netherlands – Vorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO)</b>	Grade 7 in final year English	Grade 8 in final year English	N/A	N/A
<b>Norway</b> ( <i>there is no time limit of satisfactory completion for this qualification prior to enrolment at Deakin</i> )	Grade 4 in English	Grade 4 in English	Grade 7 in final year English	Grade 7 in final year English
<b>Malaysia</b>	Minimum C (formerly 6C) in English in the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) or O-level equivalent; and Completion of 2 semesters of university equivalent study at a post secondary institution in Malaysia where English is the language of instruction and assessment with an overall average of 60% OR Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (STPM): C in the STPM 914 English Language or 920 English Literature examinations	Minimum C (formerly C6) in English 1119 in the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) or O-level equivalent; and Completion of 2 semesters of post secondary or university equivalent study at a post secondary institution in Malaysia where English is the language of instruction and assessment with an overall average of 65% OR Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (STPM): C+ in the STPM 914 English Language or 920 English Literature examinations	N/A	N/A
<b>Sweden – Avgångsbetyg/Slutbetyg frånGymnasieskolan</b>	Grade 4 or VG in English A or B	Grade 4 or VG in English A or B	Grade 4 or VG in English A or B	Grade 4 or VG in English A or B