



Course Entry Requirement Statement 2025/2026

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Scope and Purpose

1. This document is designed for use by Southampton Solent University staff when evaluating applicants for entry to undergraduate, postgraduate taught and maritime programmes. This includes all students from the UK, EU and Overseas.
2. SSU offers places to its programmes primarily based on UCAS tariff points, which includes international equivalencies as mapped by UCAS and ECCTIS. SSU has also designed its own internal SSU ECTS to evaluate entry standards when using international qualifications.
3. SSU benchmarks its English Language requirements against the Common European Framework of Reference for languages (CEFR) and the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS). As a general rule, to be accepted onto any Bachelor's or Master's programme, you will need to have achieved a minimum of IELTS (Academic) 6.0 overall, with no less than 5.5 in each component. Please see exceptions via our course pages on our website.
4. Where applicants require a student Visa, SSU's benchmarks also satisfy the UK Visa and Immigration's (UKVI) minimum English Language requirements of CEFR B2. The UKVI's list of approved assessments is called the '[Secure English Language Tests](#)' (SELT).
5. Additional details regarding the SSU Standards of English can be found in the following appendices:
 - a. Appendix A: Exemptions and Exceptions
 - b. Appendix B: Acceptable English Language tests and qualifications for students requiring a Student visa
6. The Course Entry Requirements Statement should always be viewed with the University Admissions Policy.
7. The statement is influenced by the Governments' immigration regulations for a Student Visa applicant. Thus, is subject to change throughout the admissions cycle.

UK QUALIFICATIONS

GCSEs and equivalent qualifications

8. For some courses across the University, it is necessary to provide proof of GCSE English, Maths and Science before being offered an unconditional place on the course. Solent University accepts the following qualifications to satisfy this requirement.
- GCSE Maths at Grade 4 /C
 - Functional Skills in Maths - Pass at Level 2
 - Key Skills in Numeracy - Pass at Level 2

 - GCSE English at Grade C
 - Functional Skills in English - Pass at Level 2
 - Key Skills in Literature - Pass at Level 2
 - GCSE Science at Grade 4 /C
9. If an applicant has completed or is studying towards an AS or A Level in English or Mathematics, they will not need to provide evidence of GCSE attainment.
10. If an applicant has completed or is studying towards an Access to Higher Education course, proof of GCSE attainment isn't necessary if completing an equivalent unit at Level 2.

A'Levels and equivalent qualifications

Qualification	Minimum Grade Required for Equivalence
A Levels	A Level qualification will be accepted for all foundation and degree level courses at Solent University. For foundation entry, applicants must have at least one A Level with two years' FE study. For Level 4 (year 1) entry, applicants must have a minimum of 2 A Levels. Some courses require one or more A Level to be studied at a relevant subject.
AAT Level 3 Diploma in Accounting	The University accepts this qualification on its own for entry to foundation level if achieved with a Pass grade. For entry to Level 4 (year 1), this qualification is accepted only with other Level 3 qualifications.
AAT Level 3 NVQ in Accounting	This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year entry if achieved with a Pass. For entry to Level 4 (year 1), this qualification is accepted only with other Level 3 qualifications.
ABC Level 3 Diploma in Fashion Retail	Solent University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation year entry if awarded a Merit grade. For entry to Level 4 (year 1), this qualification is accepted only with other Level 3 qualifications.

ABC Level 3 Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a Pass.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for most Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
ABC Level 3 Foundation Diploma in Art, Design and Media	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a Pass.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for most Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
Access to Higher Education (Post-2006)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course but will typically be a pass with 6 Distinctions and 24 Merits.</p>
Access to Higher Education (Pre-2006)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for most Level 4 (year 1) entry. Applicants would need 60 Level 3 Credits with 45 Credits achieved at Merit.</p>
Advanced Extension Awards	<p>The University will accept these foundation qualifications and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
AQA Level 3 Certificate in Enterprise, Employability and Personal Finance	<p>The University will accept these foundation qualifications and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 Business: Marketing (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 Engineering: Design Engineering (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 Mechatronic Engineering (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 Power Networking Engineering (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 Networking (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 Programming (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
AQA Technical Level 3 User Support (VRQs)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>

BTEC Level 3 National Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Post-2014)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a Distinction.</p> <p>For entry to Level 4 (year 1), this qualification is accepted only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Post-2014)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Post-2014)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Subsidiary Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Post-2014)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Subsidiary Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Post-2014)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MM.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Pre-2014)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a Distinction.</p> <p>For entry to Level 4 (year 1), this qualification is accepted only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Pre-2014)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 280/112 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Pre-2014)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Subsidiary Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Pre-2014)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Level 3 National Subsidiary Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Pre-2014)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MM.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>

BTEC National Award (NQF)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC National Certificate (NQF)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MP.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement of up to 240/96. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 240/96 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC Diploma (NQF)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
BTEC National Diploma (RQF)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
BTEC Specialist Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC QCF Certificate	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC RQF National Certificate	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC QCF Subsidiary Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC RQF National Extended Certificate	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
BTEC QCF 90 Credit Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MM. This qualification is also accepted on its own for Level 4 if achieve a grade of D*D.</p>
BTEC National Foundation Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MM. This qualification is also accepted on its own for Level 4 if achieve a grade of D*D.</p>
TEC QCF Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Please refer to the UCAS Tarriff Table calculator.</p>
BTEC QCF Extended Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
CISI Level 3 Diploma in Finance, Risk & Investment	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade A.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>

City & Guilds Land Based Services Level 3 90 Credit Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of Distinction*.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
City & Guilds Land Based Services Level 3 Certificate	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
City & Guilds Land Based Services Level 3 Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 280/112 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
City & Guilds Land Based Services Level 3 Extended Diploma	The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.
City & Guilds Land Based Services Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of D.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma (720)	The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required D*D
City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma (1080)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of P.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of D*.</p>
City & Guilds Level 3 Technical Diploma (540)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of M.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of D*.</p>
Edexcel BTEC National Certificate	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MP.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1). Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of DD.</p>
Edexcel BTEC National Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of PPP</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) with a grade of MMM</p>

xtended Project	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
FETAC Level 4	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only in conjunction with other Level 3 qualifications or a combination of Irish Higher and Ordinary qualifications.
International Baccalaureate Certificate Core	This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of 3. The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
International Baccalaureate Certificate Higher Level	This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of 7. The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
International Baccalaureate Diploma	The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry with less than 24 points and upon completion. This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry if an applicant achieves 28-32 points (depending on the course). Applicants who have a lower score on their IB should be encouraged to apply for their course of choice as Solent University will consider other aspects of the application such as reference and personal statement.
International Baccalaureate Certificate Standard Level	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with Higher Levels.
International Baccalaureate Extended Essay	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with Higher Levels.
International Baccalaureate Reflective Project	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with Higher Levels.
International Baccalaureate Theory of Knowledge	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with Higher Levels.
Irish Leaving Certificate - Ordinary	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with Highers.
Level 3 Certificate in Financial Studies (CeFS) (QCF)	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
Level 3 Diploma in Financial Studies (DipFS) (QCF)	This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade A. The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Extended Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce (QCF)	The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Extended Diploma - Health and Social Care (VRQ)	The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.

NCFE CACHE Level 3 Certificate - Health and Social Care (VRQ)	This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade A*.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award - Health and Social Care (VRQ)	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Childcare & Education	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Certificate in Childcare & Education	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Childcare & Education	The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.
NCFE CACHE Level 3 Extended Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Wales and Northern Ireland)	The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.
NCFE Level 3 Introductory Certificate in Sport and Physical Activity	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Sport and Physical Activity	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Diploma (540) in Sport and Physical Activity	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Diploma (720) in Sport and Physical Activity	This qualification can be accepted on its own for entry into Foundation or Level 4 (year 1). The University will confirm required grades required once UCAS have mapped the qualification against the Tariff.
NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity	This qualification can be accepted on its own for entry into Foundation or Level 4 (year 1). The University will confirm required grades required once UCAS have mapped the qualification against the Tariff.
NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Business Enterprise	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Art and Design	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Art and Design (QCF)	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Photography (QCF)	The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.
NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Photography (QCF)	The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.

NCFE Level 3 Diploma for Entry to the Uniformed Services	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade D*.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Creative Media	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of Distinction*.</p>
NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Preparing to Work in Renewable Energy Engineering	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Sport	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Sport	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only in conjunction with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted on its own for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses which have been allocated an entry requirement of 200/80. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of Distinction*.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 200/80 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
NCTJ Level 3 Certificate in Foundation Journalism	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only in conjunction with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Cambridge Technical Certificate	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only in conjunction with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Cambridge Introductory Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade D.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only in conjunction with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Cambridge Technical Subsidiary Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MM.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement of 200/80. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of D*D.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 200/80 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>

OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 280/112 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
OCR Certificate for IT Professionals	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Diploma for IT Professionals	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Level 3 Certificate for iMedia Professionals	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Level 3 Diploma for iMedia Professionals	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Level 3 Certificate for Young Enterprise	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR Level 3 Certificate in Mathematics for Engineering	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR National Certificate	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade D.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR National Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of P2.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement of up to 240/96. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>For courses which have a higher entry requirement than 240/96 tariff points, applicants will need to show evidence of additional Level 3 qualifications.</p>
OCR National Extended Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
Open University Credits	<p>The University may consider credits from the Open University.</p> <p>Applicants are advised to contact the Admission and Enrolment Team to discuss their qualifications before applying.</p>
Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Certificate in Achieving Excellence in Sport Performance	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Pearson LCCI Level 3 Certificate in Accounting (IAS)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Pearson LCCI Level 3 Certificate in Business Statistics (VRQ)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>

Pearson LCCI Level 3 Certificate in Cost and Management Accounting (VRQ)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Pearson LCCI Level 3 Certificate in Financial Accounting (VRQ)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Sports Performance (QCF)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Principle Learning Wales (option element of the Welsh Baccalaureate)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade C.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses Applicants would be required to achieve a grade A*.</p>
Rockschool Music Practitioner Level 3 Certificate	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Rockschool Music Practitioner Level 3 Extended Certificate	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
Rockschool Music Practitioner Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted on its own for Level 4 (year 1) entry for</p>
Rockschool Music Practitioner Level 3 Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
Rockschool Music Practitioner Level 3 Extended Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
SQA HND Higher National Diploma (Advanced Diploma)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for entry onto a relevant subject area (Level 6) Top Up.</p>
TLM Level 3 Certificate for Designing, Engineering and Constructing a Sustainable Built Environment (QCF)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
T Levels	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>Distinction* 168 points Distinction 144 points Merit 120 points Pass (C or above on the core) 96 points Pass with D or E in core: 72 points</p>

TLM Level 3 Diploma for Designing, Engineering and Construction a Sustainable Built Environment (QCF)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade A.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
TLM Level 3 Certificate in Open Systems Computing (QCF)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation and Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
TLM Level 3 Diploma in Open Systems Computing (QCF)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade A.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
UAL Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology (QCF)	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of Distinction.</p>
UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology (QCF)	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
UAL Foundation Diploma in Art and Design	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
UAL Level 3 Diploma in Art and Design	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of Distinction.</p>
UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
UAL Level 4 Diploma in Art and Design	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. Applicants will be required to achieve a Pass in this qualification.</p>
UAL Level 4 Professional Diploma	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for entry into Level 5 (year 2).</p>
UAL Level 3 Diploma in Performing Arts & Production	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Merit.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of Distinction.</p>
UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing & Production Arts	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>

VTCT Introductory Diploma in Sports Studies	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
VTCT Subsidiary Diploma in Sports Studies	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of MM.</p> <p>This qualification is also accepted for Level 4 (year 1) entry for courses allocated an entry requirement. Applicants would be required to achieve a grade of D*D.</p>
VTCT Diploma in Sports Studies	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
VTCT Extended Diploma in Sports Studies	<p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
Vocational awards, certificates and diplomas	<p>The University may consider other vocational awards, certificates and diplomas not listed in this document.</p> <p>Applicants are advised to contact the Admission and Enrolment Team to discuss their qualifications before applying.</p>
Welsh Baccalaureate	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Pass.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
WJEC Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art, Design and Media)	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>
WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Food Science and Nutrition	<p>This qualification is accepted on its own for foundation year if achieved with a grade of Distinction.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for Level 4 (year 1) entry only with other Level 3 qualifications.</p>
WJEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Environmental Science	<p>The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry and most of Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>

INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Country	Common Qualifications and minimum equivalence	Standard of English Language
Global	<p>European Baccalaureate The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry and Level 4 (year 1) entry. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>International Baccalaureate Refer to the UK Qualifications section.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX A OR B
Albania	<p>State Matura Certificate</p> <p>5.5 out of 10 - Level 3 (Year 0) Grade 7 - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Algeria	<p>Diplome du Baccalaureat -10/20 - Level 3 (Year 0)</p> <p>Baccalauréat de l'Enseignement Secondaire - With a minimum 12 points - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Antigua	<p>CAPE / A Levels The University will accept these qualifications on its own foundation entry (min DEE grade), HND entry (Min CCC grade) and entry onto a three- year degree (Min BCC grade).</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX A
Armenia	<p>Certificate of (complete) Secondary Education - pass grades - for foundation year entry.</p> <p>UK Foundation with 35% - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Austria	<p>Reifeprüfung/Matura The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min 4), HND entry (min 3) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 2.5). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Azerbaijan	<p>Attestati Secondary School Leaving Certificate - Overall grade 3.0 out of 5.0 - Level 3 (Year 0)</p> <p>Complete Secondary Education (Grade XI) with minimum grade average of 4/5 - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Bahrain	<p>Thannawiya/Tawjihiya (General Secondary Education Certificate) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation (min 60%) - Level 3 (Year 0)</p> <p>High School Certificate (year 12) with minimum grade average of 80% - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Barbados	<p>CAPE / A Levels The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min DEE grade), HND entry (Min CCC grade) and entry onto a three-year degree (Min BCC entry). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX A
Belgium	<p>Diploma van Secundair Onderwijs The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min10 grade), HND entry (min 12 grade) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 12 grade). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>Certificat d'Enseignement Secondair Superieur (CESS) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 50%), HND entry (min 60%) and entry onto a three year degree (min 60%). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B

Bolivia	Diploma de Bachiller Científico-Humanístico with minimum grade average of 77% Level 4 (Year 1)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Brazil	Certificado de Conclusão de Ensino Médio This qualification is accepted on its own for entry to the University foundation year with a pass mark of between 5-7.5. 3-year degree with minimum grade 7/10 and work experience or having studied a foundation or foundation certificate.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Brunei	Brunei/Cambridge Overseas Advanced Level Examination/Matriculation These qualifications will be accepted for all foundation and degree level courses at Solent University. For foundation entry, applicants must have at least one A Level with two years' FE study. For Level 4 (year 1) entry, applicants must have a minimum of 2 A Levels. Some courses require one or more A Level to be studied at a relevant subject.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Bulgaria	Diploma Za Sredno Obrazovanie The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 4 grade), HND entry (min 4.5 Grade) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 4.8 grade). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Cambodia	Upper Secondary School Diploma Minimum 50% Level 3 (IFP / Year 0) High School Diploma with minimum Grade average of 6.0 Level 4 (Year 1)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Canada	High School Diploma The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 60%), Level 3 (IFP / Year 0)	REFER TO APPENDIX A
Cameroon	Baccalaureate/Baccalaureate Technique 12/20 or Grade B average at GCE (4 papers) or 2 A-Level Grade E minimum Level 4 (Year 1)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
China	Senior High School Graduate Certificate (including Vocational High School) This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry with a Pass of 60%, Grade E or 1.5 GPA and entry onto a three-year degree with pass of 80%. Hui Kao Certificate This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry with a Pass of 60%. GPA and entry onto a three-year degree with pass of 80%. Senior Middle 2 with minimum average of 80% and Senior Middle school 3 with average of 70% or higher	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Chile	Chilean Senior High School (instead of IB or A levels) with an overall minimum of grade 5 - Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Colombia	Bachillerato with acceptable performance in the grading scale prior to 2009 or basic performance in the current system 3/5 Level 3 (IFP /Year 0) Título de Bachiller Académico with minimum grade average of 75% or 7.5/10 Level 4 (Year 1)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Croatia	Svjedodzba o Maturi / Drzavna Matura The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min 2.5 grade), HND entry (min 3.3 grade) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 3.5 grade). Final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Cyprus (South)	Apolytirio The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 13.5 or 67.5%), HND entry (min 16 or 80%) and entry onto a three year degree (min 17 or 85%). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS

Cyprus (North)	Devlet Lise Diploması (DLD) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 6 grade), HND entry and entry onto a three-year degree. Applicants will be required to achieve an overall score of 8 and provide proof of an additional A Level qualification at Grade B (not Turkish)	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Czech	Maturita The University will accept this qualification alone for foundation entry (min 3.5), HND entry (min 3.0) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 2.5). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Denmark	Studentereksamen; Hojere Forberedelseksamen (HF); Handelseksamen (HHX); Hojere Teknisk Eksamen (HTX) The University will accept these qualifications alone for foundation entry (min 02), HND entry (min 7) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 7). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Ecuador	Título de Bachiller Técnico Industrial minimum 5-7 Level 3 (IFP /Year 0) Ecuadorian students who have completed the Ecuadorian Senior Secondary School (Bachillerato), instead of IB or A levels with an overall grade of 12/20 with 13 in Maths can be considered Título de Bachiller en Ciencias with minimum grade average of 75% or 7.5/10 - Level 4 (Year 1)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Egypt	Tawjihya (General Secondary Education Certificate) The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min 50-60%) Certificate of General Secondary Education with minimum grade average of 80% - Level 4 (Year 1)	REFER TO APPENDIX B
El Savador	Titulo de Bachiller (academic) Grade 6 or above in each subject	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Estonia	Gumnaasiumi Loputunnistus + Riigieksamitunnistus (with two state examinations) The University will accept these qualifications when taken together for foundation entry (Min 3+50%), HND entry (min 3.5+55%) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 3.5+60%). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Finland	Ylioppilastutkinto; studentexamen (Matriculation Examination Certificate) The University will accept these qualifications on its own for foundation entry (min 3), HND entry (min 4) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 4.5). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
France	Baccalaureat The University will accept these qualifications alone for foundation entry (min 10), HND entry (min 10.5) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 11). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Gambia	WAEC with standard pass 5 passes D7	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Georgia	High School Secondary Certificate 1.8/4 GPA or General Education Diploma D plus (satisfactory) Level 3 (IFP /Year 0) High School Secondary Certificate 2/4 GPA or General Education Diploma D plus (satisfactory) Level 4 (Year 1)	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Germany	Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife / Abitur The University will accept these qualifications on its own for foundation entry (min 4), HND entry (min 3) and entry onto a three-year degree (Min 2.8). The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX B

Ghana	<p>WAEC/NECO with standard pass 5 passes or 200 UCAS point or A-D average Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>WAEC/SSCE with minimum grade average of C(7) - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Greece	<p>Apolytirio of Lykeio The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min 14), (and entry onto a three-year degree (min 17)). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Hong Kong	<p>HKCEE This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry only with a minimum of 4 passes (E Grades) in academics subjects for</p> <p>HKDSE The University will accept these qualifications on its own for HND entry (min 2/2/1) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 2/2/1). The final grade required will depend on the course's specific entry requirements. Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>HKDSE The University will accept these qualifications on its own for HND entry (min 2/2/1) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 3/3/2). The final grade required will depend on the course's specific entry requirements. Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Hungary	<p>Erettsegi Bizonyitvany/Matura The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min 3), HND entry (min 3.5) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 3.8). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
India	<p>HSSC/ISC (Year 12) Completion of Year X (10) with average 65% or Completion of Year XI (11) with average 50% or Completion of Year XII (12) with average 40% - Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>Standard XI 65% or Standard XII 55% - Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Indonesia	<p>STTB/SMA This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry only with 6 passes / average. Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>SMA/SMU III With minimum grade average of 6.0 in 4 relevant subjects Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Iran	<p>Successful completion of High School Diploma with pass grades Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>High School Diploma (Nazari or Fani Herfei) 16/20 Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Italy	<p>Diploma di Esame di Stato The University will accept these qualifications on its own for foundation entry (min 60%), HND entry (min 65%) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 70%). The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Jamaica	<p>CAPE / A Levels The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min DEE), HND entry (min CCC) and entry onto a three-year degree (min BCC). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX A
Japan	<p>Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate (KSS) Upper Secondary School Year 3 with GPA 2.0. Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shomeisho with minimum grade average of 3.0 Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Jordan	<p>Thannawiya / Tawjihiya (General Secondary Education Certificate) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation (min 60%) and HND entry if the applicant achieves 75%.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B

Kazakhstan	<p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education (Attaestat) with pass grades or Diploma of Technical and Vocational Education, 3/5 Level 3 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>Diploma of Technical and Vocational Education, 4/5 or Certificate of Complete Secondary Education with minimum grade average of 4.0/5.0</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Kenya	<p>Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry upon completion with certificate including 5 subjects at grade D or higher</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for entry to three-year degree with C+ average in 7 subjects</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Kosovo	<p>Diploma of High School Graduation 3/5 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>Diploma of High School Graduation 4/5 Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Kuwait	<p>Thannawiya / Tawjhiya (General Secondary Education Certificate) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation and if the applicant achieves 60%.</p> <p>High School Certificate (year 12) with minimum grade average of 80% or : Technical Diploma / Certificate from PAAET College GPA 2 Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Kyrgyzstan	<p>Certificate of Completed Secondary Education 3/5 or Professional/Technical Qualification Certificate 3/5 (IFP /Year 0)</p> <p>Certificate of Completed Secondary Education 4/5 or Professional/Technical Qualification Certificate 4/5 Level 4 (Year 1)</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Latvia	<p>Atestats par Visparejo Videjo Izglitibu The University will accept these qualifications on its own for foundation entry (min 5), HND entry (min 6.5) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 6.5). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Lebanon	<p>Baccalaureat The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation minimum of 10 points</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification on its own Year 1 with a minimum of 15 points</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Libya	<p>Secondary Education Certificate</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation with 60% and HND entry if the applicant achieves 80%.</p> <p>This qualification cannot be used to gain entry to a three-year undergraduate degree and requires a foundation.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Lithuania	<p>Brandos Atestatas The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min 6), HND entry (min 7) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 7.5). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Luxembourg	<p>Diplome de Fin d'Etudes Secondaires The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min 30), HND entry (min 36) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 39). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Macau	<p>Certificate of Higher Secondary Education This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry with a minimum of 60%.</p> <p>Ensino Secundario Complemental The University will accept this qualification on its own for a three-year degree. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>Cambridge Overseas Higher School Certificate (COHSC) The University does not accept this qualification for foundation or HND entry.</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification on its own for a three-year degree.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS

Malawi	MCSE- Pass Overall (IFP /Year 0) 5 C Malawi High School	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Malaysia	SPM (Malaysia Certificate of Education) This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry only with a minimum Grade C or above. UEC United Examination Certificate (Senior Middle Level) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 5 grades @ E), HND entry (min 5 grades@ C) and entry onto a three year degree (min 5 grades @ C). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course. STPM (Malaysia High School Certificate) The University will accept this qualification and entry to a three-year degree (min BCC).	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Malta	Matriculation Certificate Examination (from University of Malta) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min EEE), HND entry (min DEE) and entry onto a three-year degree (min DDD). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX A
Mauritius	Cambridge School Certificate/General Certificate of Education 5 Pass (English grade C) - foundation year entry	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Mexico	Bachillerato with a minimum grade of 70%/Grade 7 for foundation year Bachillerato with minimum grade average of 80% 8/10 3 year degree entry	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Mongolia	Certificate of Completion of Secondary Education with average of 60% or Certificate of technical Education, 3/5 for foundation year entry Certificate of Completion of Secondary Education 4/5 or Certificate of technical Education, 3/5 for 3 degree entry	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Montenegro	Secondary School Leaving Diploma 3/5 for foundation year entry Secondary School Leaving Diploma 4/5 for 3 year degree entry	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Morocco	Attestation du Baccalaureat The university will accept this qualification for foundation with minimum grade 10 and for HND with grade 13. The university will accept this qualification on its own for degree level entry with minimum grade 12	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Myanmar	International Foundation Programme - Basic Education High School examination/matriculation with 65% for IFP / foundation year entry High School Diploma with minimum grade average of 6.0 for 3 year degree programme	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Nepal	Pass Higher Secondary Education Board Examination with 45% School Leaving Certificate Grade 11 & 12 Minimum Grade c / GPA 2.0 (2018 onwards) for foundation year entry. Nepal Grade XII with 2.6 for 3 year degree	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Netherlands	Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO) The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min 6), HND entry (min 6.8) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 7). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Nevis	CAPE / A Levels The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min DEE), HND entry (min CCC) and entry onto a three-year degree (min BCC). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.	REFER TO APPENDIX A

Nigeria	<p>WASSCE/WAEC/NECO WAEC/NECO with standard pass 5 passes or 200 UCAS point or A-D average.</p> <p>WAEC/SSCE with minimum grade average of C(7) for 3 year degree entry</p> <p>National Diploma (ND) The University will accept this qualification on its own for entry onto a three-year degree (min 2.3 GPA or 55% or C grade). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Norway	<p>High School/Videregående Opplaering The University will accept this qualification alone for foundation entry (min 3) and onto a three-year degree (min 4). It will not be accepted for a HND. The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Oman	<p>Tawjihiya (General Secondary Education Certificate/General Education Diploma) This qualification will be accepted for foundation with a minimum grade of 60%</p> <p>High School Certificate with minimum grade average of 80% for 3 year degree programme.</p> <p>Diploma This qualification will be accepted for three-year degree with minimum 65%.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Pakistan	<p>Intermediate/Higher Secondary Certificate This qualification will be accepted only for foundation entry with a minimum of 50%.</p> <p>Higher School Certificate with minimum grade average of 60% or Senior secondary certificate 70%</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Peru	Peruvian students who have completed the Peruvian Senior Secondary School (Educación Secundaria Común Completa), instead of IB or A levels with an overall grade of 14/20 can be considered	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Philippines	<p>High School Diploma 60% or Associate degree 60% for foundation year entry</p> <p>High School Diploma with minimum grade average of 75% for 3 year degree entry</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Poland	<p>Swiadectwo Dorjrzalosci Matura The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 30%), HND entry (min 50% with 1 extended level @ 50%) and entry onto a three year degree (min 55% with 1 extended level @ 50%). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Portugal	<p>Certificado de fim de Estudos Secundarios; Certidao do Decimo Segundo Ano The University will accept this qualification alone for foundation entry (min 11), HND entry (min 13) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 13). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Qatar	<p>Qatar Senior School Certificate/General Secondary School Certificate This qualification will be accepted only for foundation (min 60%)</p> <p>High School Certificate with minimum grade average of 80% for 3 year degree</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Romania	<p>Diploma de Bacalaureat The University will accept this qualification for foundation entry (min 6), HND entry (min 7.5) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 7.5). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B

Russia	<p>School Leaving Certificate (Attestat). Average of 3 or above will be accepted only for foundation entry with a grade of 3/satisfactory.</p> <p>Attestat (Grade XII) with minimum grade average of 4/5. The University will accept this qualification on its own for a three-year degree. The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Saudi Arabia	<p>Tawjihiya (General Secondary Education Certificate) This qualification will be accepted only for foundation (min 60%)</p> <p>This qualification will be accepted for a three year degree with a minimum grade of 80%</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Senegal	Baccalaureate/Baccalaureat Technique 10/20 for foundation year entry	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Serbia	<p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education 3/5 for foundation year entry</p> <p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education 4/5 for 3 year degree</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Singapore	<p>Singapore A Levels The University will accept these qualifications alone for foundation entry (min 48 Ucas Points), HND entry (min 80 Ucas points) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 96 Ucas points). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Slovakia	<p>Maturitna Skuska; Maturita; Vysvedcenie o Maturitnej Skuske The University will accept these qualifications on their own for foundation entry (min 3.5), HND entry (min 3.0) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 2.5). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Slovenia	<p>Matura; Maturitetno spricevalo The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min 2), HND entry (min 3) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 3). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
South Africa	High School Leaving Certificate: 60% for foundation year entry	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
South Korea	<p>High School Diploma This qualification will be accepted for foundation entry only with a minimum of 60%.</p> <p>This qualification will be accepted for 3 year degree entry with a minimum of 80%.</p> <p>Junior College Degree The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation, HND and most degree courses with Average/70-79%/Grade C .</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Spain	<p>Titulo de Bachillerato The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 5), HND entry (min 6) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 6.5). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>Selectividad Curso de Orientacion Universitaria (COU) The University will accept this qualification on its own for foundation entry (min 5), HND entry (min 6) and entry onto a three-year degree (min 6.5). The grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Sri Lanka	<p>Completion of Year 11 with GCE O Levels or equivalent: Minimum 5 GCE O Levels from grades A-D for foundation year entry</p> <p>General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Grade required: 60% for 3 year degree entry</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
St Kitts	<p>CAPE / A Levels The University will accept these qualifications for foundation entry (min DEE), HND entry (min CCC) and entry onto a three-year degree (min BCC). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX A

St Lucia	<p>CAPE / A Levels The University will accept these qualifications on their own for foundation entry (min DEE), HND entry (min CCC) and entry onto a three-year degree (min BCC). The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX A
Sweden	<p>Slutbetyg fran Gymnasieskolan The University will accept this qualification alone for foundation entry (min E), HND entry (min C) and entry onto a three-year degree (min C). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>Komvux; Avgangsbetyg The University will accept this qualification alone for foundation entry (min E), HND entry (min C) and entry onto a three-year degree (min C). The final grades required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Switzerland	<p>Certificat de Maturite / Federal Maturity Certificate / Maturitatsausweis / Baccalaureat / Attestato di Maturita/Certificat de Capacite</p> <p>The University will accept these qualifications on their own for foundation entry with 4 (6 point scale)</p> <p>The University will accept for entry onto a HND or three year degree (4 (6-point scale) or 6 (10-point scale) or 3 (5-point scale) The grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Tadjikistan	<p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education 3/5 for foundation year entry</p> <p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education 4/5 for 3 year degree entry</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Taiwan	<p>Senior High School Certificate/Vocational High School Certificate This qualification will be accepted for foundation entry Senior High School Year 2 with 65% average/Senior High School Year 3 with 60% average</p> <p>Senior High School Certificate with minimum grade average of 70% for 3 year degree entry</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Tajikistan	<p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education 3/5 for foundation year entry</p> <p>Diploma of Completed Secondary Education 4/5 for 3 year degree entry</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Tanzania	<p>Pass ACSEE with grade D or above for foundation year entry</p> <p>TASSCE/NECTA average grade C for 3 year degree entry</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Thailand	<p>Mathayom 6 (M6) 75 Units - with a minimum of 60% or 2 out of 4/ GPA 2.0 or Mathayom 5: (with a minimum of 65% or 2 out of 4) GPA 2.5</p> <p>The University will accept this qualification for a 3 year degree MAW 60% or GPA 3</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Tunisia	<p>Diplôme du Baccalauréat with minimum grade average of 14/20 for 3 year degree entry</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Turkey	<p>Successful completion of Devlet Lisen Diploması OR High School with 50% or 2/5 GPA for foundation year entry</p> <p>High School Diploma with minimum grade average of 60% for 3 year degree programme</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Turkmenistan	<p>Successful completion of Certificate of Completed Secondary Education with Good Grade 4/5 for 3 year degree entry.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
UEA	<p>Tawjihya/Thanawihya/General Secondary School Certificate with pass grades OR Technical Diploma: min. 60% for foundation year entry</p> <p>High School Certificate with minimum grade average of 80% for 3 year degree.</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS

Ukraine	<p>Cert of Independent External Examination with 100/200, Good, 4 or from 2000 onwards grade 8 - foundation year entry</p> <p>Attestat (Grade XII) with minimum grade average of 7/12 for 3 year degree programme</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
USA	<p>High School Diploma This qualification will be accepted for foundation entry only with a GPA of 2.75.</p> <p>High School Diploma + SAT (Relevant Subject) The University will accept these qualifications together for entry onto a three year degree. Applicants will be required to achieve min 2.8 GPA in the High School Diploma with a minimum of 370 in the relevant subject. The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>High School Diploma + SAT (Maths, Critical reading & Writing) The University does not accept these qualifications together for foundation or HND entry.</p> <p>The University will accept these qualifications together for entry onto a three year degree. Applicants will be required to achieve 2.8 in the High School Diploma and a minimum of 1100 in SAT. The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>High School Diploma + ACT The University does not accept these qualifications together for foundation or HND entry.</p> <p>The University will accept these qualifications together for entry onto a three year degree. Applicants will be required to achieve 2.8 in the High School Diploma and an overall ACT of 24 in 2 or more subjects. The final grade required will depend on the specific entry requirements for the course.</p> <p>High School Diploma + AP The University does not accept these qualifications together for foundation or HND entry.</p> <p>The University will accept these qualifications together for entry onto a three year degree. Applicants will be required to achieve 2.8 in the High School Diploma and a minimum in AP of Grade 3 in two relevant subjects.</p> <p>One year of Community College The University does not accept this qualification for foundation or HND entry.</p> <p>The University will accept these qualifications together for entry onto a three year degree. Applicants will be required to achieve a GPA of 2.75.</p>	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Uzbekistan	<p>Certificate of General Secondary Education/Grade 11, average 3/5, or Certificate of Secondary Specialised Professional Education, 3/5 or Diploma of Academic Lyceum average grade 3 or above (60%) or MDIST Tashkent foundation 35% for foundation year entry.</p> <p>Diploma of Specialised General Education with minimum grade average of 71% or Umumiy o'rta ta'lim to'g'risida attestat/shahodatnoma - grade 4, or MDIST foundation (Management Development Institute of Singapore in Tashkent) - grade 35% or Bypass home (uzbek) university failed bachelor's years if any of the above qualification is available or Certificate of General Secondary Education/Grade 11, 4/5 or Certificate of Secondary Specialised Professional Education, 4/5 for 3 year degree entry</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Venezuela	<p>Successful Completion of Título de Educación Media General with 15 or Título de Tecnico Medio with 10 for foundation year entry.</p> <p>High School Diploma with minimum grade average of 14/20 for 3 year degree entry</p>	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS

Vietnam	Upper Secondary School Graduation Diploma - successful completion with GPA 5.0 for foundation year entry High School Diploma with minimum grade average of 6.0 for 3 year degree programme	STANDARD SU REQUIREMENTS
Zambia	School Certificate / General Certificate of Education - Grades 1-6 5 Passes D and above- Zambia GCE for foundation year entry	REFER TO APPENDIX B
Zimbabwe	ZIMSEC O-level - 6 Subject at grade C or above for foundation year entry	REFER TO APPENDIX B

Maritime Courses

Entry requirements for maritime courses are governed by the Maritime Coastguards Agency (MCA). These are issued in the form of an M Notice (Marine Notice (MSN- Marine Shipping Notice, MGN - Marine Guidance Notice, MIN - Marine Information Notice) and are available via the gov.uk website. Every Certificate of Competency has a different M Notice which sets out and explains the regulatory requirements of training requirements, sea service and examinations.

CATEGORY	MSN / MIN / MGN	
Deck - Merchant Navy (Master, Chief Mate, OOW)	MSN 1856	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/436503/MSN1856.pdf
	MIN 563	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/min-563-m-changes-to-mca-education-and-training-requirements-for-obtaining-a-uk-certificate-of-competency
Engineering - Merchant Navy (EOOW 'Class 4', Second Engineer 'Class 2' and Chief Engineer)	MSN 1857	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/472957/MSN_1857.pdf
Deck - Yachts OOW, Chief Mate, Master Also includes Master Code Vessels	MSN 1858	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/503346/MSN_1858.pdf
Engineering - Yachts Y routes and Small Vessel	MSN 1859	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/847200/MSN1859.pdf
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	MIN 535	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/582246/MIN_535.pdf

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

APPENDIX A: EXEMPTIONS AND EXCEPTIONS

11. Under current UKVI regulations, an exemption is provided for applicants who are nationals of ‘Majority English Speaking Countries’ from having to provide evidence of English proficiency when applying for a Visa. These exemptions will also be sufficient to meet SSU’s English Entry Requirement, though applicants should have completed the equivalent of GCSE Grade 4 / A-C in English to meet the requirement of GCSE level literacy. Please contact the Admissions and Enrolment team for assistance in making this decision if required.
12. As per the current Immigration Rules, the list of ‘Majority English Speaking Countries’ is:
- Antigua and Barbuda
 - Australia
 - the Bahamas
 - Barbados
 - Belize
 - Canada
 - Dominica
 - Grenada
 - Guyana
 - Ireland
 - Jamaica
 - Malta
 - New Zealand
 - St Kitts and Nevis
 - St Lucia
 - St Vincent and the Grenadines
 - Trinidad and Tobago
 - UK
 - USA
13. If an applicant has completed a qualification recognised by ECCTIS to be equivalent to a bachelor’s degree taught in English from any of the countries listed above, they are also exempt from having to provide additional evidence of their English level to meet either SSU or the UKVI’s English Entry requirement.
14. If an applicant has completed a qualification recognised by ECCTIS to be equivalent to a Bachelor’s degree in English from Canada, they must provide evidence from the awarding university to confirm that the degree was taught and assessed in English. They are then exempt from having to provide additional evidence of their English level to meet SU’s English Entry requirement.
15. Where a Bachelor’s degree from an English speaking country is older than two years and the officer has well founded doubt about the applicant’s potential to succeed on his/her SSU degree course, further assessment measures may be taken and the applicant could be asked to provide further evidence of his/her English language skills.

APPENDIX B: ACCEPTABLE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTS & QUALIFICATIONS

16. English language qualifications accepted by the University for degree level, postgraduate taught must be equivalent to CEFR Level B2 or below degree level CEFR B1. The required equivalence to IELTS Academic 6.0. The exception to this is our NMC Nursing Course which requires IELTS Academic 7.0. Where a qualification's lowest passing grade is equivalent to a higher IELTS band this is specified. All qualifications must be assessed to ensure that all four components of speaking, listening, reading and writing meet the minimum grade requirements. Please refer to our website for [individual English language requirements](#) via course.
17. The paragraphs below indicate what will be accepted for Student Visa Route applicants. These applicants must meet the Home Office English language proficiency requirements for visa purposes, to which the University standards are aligned. Student Visa Route applicants are advised that:
 - a. For degree level courses at NQF 6 and above, the Home Office require CEFR B2 equivalent (IELTS 5.5) in all components (reading, listening, writing and speaking). As a Student (Visa) Sponsor, for degree level and above the University can use its own methods of assessment to evidence language proficiency. This includes qualifications listed in Appendix C.
 - b. For sub-degree courses the Home Office require CEFR B1 equivalent (IELTS 4.0) in all four components, this must be evidenced via a Home Office recognised Secure English Language Test (SELT) - IELTS for UKVI, Language Cert International ESOL SELT, Trinity College ISE level 2 & 3, Pearsons PTE Academic UKVI or Skills for English UKVI (4 components).
 - c. All non-specified courses/awards below NQF 3-5 require minimum language entry at CEFR B1 in all four components e.g. IELTS: 4.0 in all elements.
18. Tests used must be within their validity date for visa purposes - this is typically for two years.
19. Please see Home Office Secure English Language Tests (SELT) list for what paperwork is required for tests taken after 11 September 2020
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/prove-your-english-language-abilities-with-a-secure-english-language-test-selt>
20. The Annex is influenced by the Governments' immigration regulations for a Student Visa Route applicant. Thus, is subject to change throughout the admissions cycle.

Qualification	Grade Required for Equivalence																														
AUSTRIA Matura/Reifeprüfung	2 (gut) in English when both written and oral exams are taken																														
BELLERBYS Academic English skills (AES)	50-59% = 6.0 IELTS 60-69% = 6.5 IELTS 70-79% = 7.0 IELTS Note: No less than 40% in any component.																														
CAMBRIDGE C1 Advanced formerly known as Certificate in Advanced English (CAE)	<p><u>Undergraduate</u></p> <p>For most of our Bachelor's degrees, you will need an overall score of 169 with no component score less than 162. (Grade C)</p> <p><u>Postgraduate courses</u></p> <p>Please check our course pages via the website for individual english language requirements. For most of our masters programmes you will need an overall score of 176 with no component score less than 169. (Grade C)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>IELTS</th> <th>5.5</th> <th>6.0</th> <th>6.5</th> <th>7.0</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Reading</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Listening</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Speaking</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Writing</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Overall</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Source: https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams-and-tests/advanced/</p> <p>NOTE: scores must be verified. Contact the Admissions and Enrolment team for verification as login is required.</p> <p>Test validity 2 Years</p>	IELTS	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	Reading	162	169	176	185	Listening	162	169	176	185	Speaking	162	169	176	185	Writing	162	169	176	185	Overall	162	169	176	185
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CAMBRIDGE C2 Proficiency formerly known as Cambridge Proficiency in English (CPE)	<p><u>Undergraduate</u></p> <p>For most of our Bachelor's degrees, you will need an overall score of 169 with no component score less than 162. (Grade C)</p> <p><u>Postgraduate courses</u></p> <p>Please check our course pages via the website for individual english language requirements. For most of our masters programmes you will need an overall score of 176 with no component score less than 169. (Grade C)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>IELTS</th> <th>5.5</th> <th>6.0</th> <th>6.5</th> <th>7.0</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Reading</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Listening</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Speaking</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Writing</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Overall</td> <td>162</td> <td>169</td> <td>176</td> <td>185</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Source: https://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams-and-tests/advanced/</p> <p>NOTE: scores must be verified. Contact the Admissions and Enrolment team for verification as login is required.</p> <p>Test validity 2 Years</p> <p>NOTE: scores must be verified. Contact the Admissions and Enrolment team for verification as login is required.</p>	IELTS	5.5	6.0	6.5	7.0	Reading	162	169	176	185	Listening	162	169	176	185	Speaking	162	169	176	185	Writing	162	169	176	185	Overall	162	169	176	185
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<p>CAMBRIDGE International Examinations AS & A Level English Language and Literature</p> <p>Syllabuses: 8695, 9093</p>	<p>A - C Grade C = IELTS 6.0-6.5 overall Grade B = IELTS 7.0 overall</p> <p>Source: https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-international-as-and-a-level-english-language-and-literature-as-level-only-8695/</p> <p>NOTE: syllabus available on website.</p>
<p>CAMEROON</p>	<p>GCE O Level - Grade C</p>
<p>DUOLINGO</p>	<p><u>Undergraduate</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duolingo English Language Test - 115 overall with minimum of 95 in each component or equivalent. <p><u>Postgraduate</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duolingo English Language Test - 115 overall with minimum of 100 in each component or equivalent. <p>NOTE: tests must be shared and verified by Duolingo online portal by the university</p>
<p>Danish qualifications</p> <p>STUDENTERKSAMEN / HØJERE FORBEREDELSE - EKSAMEN</p>	<p>7 in English (levels A or B) 7 = IELTS 6.5 overall 10 = IELTS 7.0 overall</p>
<p>Dutch qualifications</p> <p>VOORBEREIDEND WETENSCHAPPELIJK ONDERWIJS (VWO) DIPLOMA</p>	<p>7 (goed) in English 8 = IELTS 6.5 overall 9 = IELTS 7.0 overall</p>
<p>EDEXCEL: IGCSE in English (Specification A) - SECOND LANGUAGE</p>	<p>A - C Grade B = IELTS 6.5 overall Grade A = IELTS 7.0 overall</p> <p>Source: http://www.edexcel.com/quals/igcse/igcse09/eng/englanga/Pages/default.aspx</p> <p>Assessment materials available on website.</p> <p>NOTE: Two routes are offered, Coursework or Examination. The Examination option of Specification B does not test speaking or listening, so will not be acceptable for entry to SU.</p>

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ESOL Level 3 certificate in ESOL International English Speaking Board International (ESB International)	CEFR B1 = IELTS 4.0/5.0 CEFR B2 = IELTS 5.5/6.5 CEFR C1 = IELTS 7.0/7.5 CEFR C2 = IELTS 8.0/9.0 Source: https://esbuk.org/web/app/uploads/2019/12/ESB-SPEC-04-ESB-Level-3-Certificate-in-ESOL-International-All-Modes-C2...pdf																				
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Finnish qualifications YLIPPILASTUTKINTO / STUDENTEXAMEN	Minimum 5 in the magna cum laude approbatur, in English in Matriculation exam 5 = IELTS 6.0 overall 4 = IELTS 6.5 overall 6 (Eximia cum laude approbatur) = IELTS 7.0 overall																				
French qualifications BACCALAUREAT DE L'ENSEIGNEMENT DU SECOND DEGRE BACCALAUREAT (INTERNATIONAL OPTION) (OIB)	14 (bien) in English, where the co-efficient applied to the subject is greater than 1. 11 may be acceptable in some cases 14 = IELTS 6.5 overall 16 = IELTS 7.0 overall 12 in OIB = IELTS overall 6.0-6.5 14 in OIB = IELTS overall 7.0+																				
Gatehouse ESOL Entry Level Certificate in ESOL International (Entry 3)	55% = Pass 75% = Pass with Merit 55%/Pass is equivalent to CEFR B1 = IELTS 4/4.5/5.0 Source: https://gatehouseawards.org/qualifications/classic-iesol/																				
German qualifications ABITUR FACHHOCHSCHULREI FE	10 (gut) in English when taken as main/intensive course 10 = IELTS 6.5 overall 12 = IELTS 7.0 or above 2 (gut) in English for Fachhochschulreife 2 (gut) = IELTS 6.0-6.5 overall 1 (sehr gut) = IELTS 7.0 or above																				
Greek Qualifications AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR MICHIGAN PROFICIENCY	GPA 3 or Grade C (American High School) = IELTS 6.0 overall Pass (Michigan) = IELTS 6.0 overall																				
HONG KONG DIPLOMA of secondary education (HKSE) English language	Grade 4 = 6.0-6.5 IELTS Grade 5 = 7.0 IELTS NOTE: No less than grade 4 in any component Source: http://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/recognition/benchmarking/hkdse/ielts/																				

Hungarian Qualifications ERETTSEGI / MATURA	Grade 4 = IELTS 6.0 overall																														
Icelandic qualifications STUDENTSPROF MATRICULATION EXAM	8 in English when taken as a compulsory language 8 = IELTS 6.5 overall 10 = IELTS 7.0 overall																														
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Indian Standard XII Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE)	<p>70% (or Grade B) = IELTS 6.0 overall 75% (or Grade B) = IELTS 6.5 overall 80% (or Grade A) = IELTS 7.0 overall</p> <p>CBSE must be Core Module 301</p>																														
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Irish qualifications GCE O-LEVEL ENGLISH	Leaving Certificate: O4 / C / C3 (Ordinary / Standard Level) ; H7 / D / D3 (Higher / Honours Level), or Academic qualification at least equivalent to a UK Bachelors degree												
INTO Pre-sessional English/Pre-Master's English*FOUNDATION / *DIPLOMA/ *GRADUATE DIPLOMA. INTO English Language Assessment (IELA)	NQF 3 - 5 - INTO Newcastle - English 60% with no less than 55% in each component (INU1001/INY1102) NQF 6 & 7 - English 60% with no less than 55% in each component (INU1001/INY1102) (HEI own assessment) Listening and Reading: 60%-65% = IELTS 6.0-6.5 66%-74% = IELTS 6.5-7.0 75%-89% = IELTS 7.0-8.0 Writing and Speaking: B2= IELTS 6.0-6.5 C1= IELTS 7.0 NOTE: Results on these courses should be carefully checked to ensure English language scores are reported, not simply overall course score. The grading system might differ depending on the provider institution.												
KAPLAN Pre-Sessional English Qualification (all UK KIC providers)	60% overall = IELTS 6.0 overall 65% overall = IELTS 6.5 overall 70% overall = IELTS 7.0 overall NQF 6 & 7 - HEI own assessment NOTE: No less than 55% in any component												
Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) - English	SSU will only accept qualifications from 2015: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C (Plain) - For courses requiring IELTS 6.0 Overall • B (Minus) - For courses requiring IELTS 6.5 Overall • B (Plain) - For courses requiring IELTS 7.0 Overall 												
Latvian Qualifications ATESTATS	8 = IELTS 6.0 overall												
Luxembourg qualifications EXAMEN DE FIN D'ETUDES SECONDAIRES	40 (bien) = IELTS 6.0 overall 48 = IELTS 6.5 overall 52 = IELTS 7.0 overall												
Lithuanian qualification MATURA STATE ENGLISH EXAMINATION	65% or 8/10 = IELTS 6.0 overall 70% or 9/10 = IELTS 6.5+ overall												
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Mauritius Cambridge International General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level - syllabus 1125/1126	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C - For courses requiring IELTS 6.0 overall • B - For courses requiring IELTS 6.5 overall • A - For courses requiring IELTS 7.0 overall 												
Nigerian Senior School Certificate, National Examinations Council (NECO)	Awarded from 2000 onwards, A1 - C6 (1-6) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C6 - For courses requiring IELTS 6.0 Overall • C5 - For courses requiring IELTS 6.5 Overall • B3 - For courses requiring IELTS 7.0 Overall (with a WASSCE/WAEC scratchcard to verify the results)												

Norwegian qualifications VITNEMAL - VIDEREGAENDE OPPLAERING	4 in English 4 = IELTS 6.5 overall 5 = IELTS 7.0 overall
Polish qualification Advanced New Level Matura	60% = IELTS 5.5 overall 65 % = IELTS 6.0 overall
PSI Skills for English - SELT (Levels B1,B2,C1,C2 (Skills for English: global Is NOT accepted)	B2 Pass - IELTS - 5.5 B2 Pass with Merit - IELTS 6.0 B2 Pass with Merit - IELTS 6.5 C1 Pass - IELTS 7.0 - 8.0 Source: PSI Skills for English - SELT Test Validity 2 Years
PTE Academic	Grades equivalent to IELTS 6.0 59 (with no less than 59 in any element) Grades equivalent to IELTS 6.5 62 (with no less than 59 in any element) Please note, we do not accept 'PTE Academic Online'. Test Validity 2 Years
Romanian Qualifications DIPLOMA DE BACALAUREAT	B2 = IELTS 6.0 overall C1 = IELTS 6.5 overall C2 = IELTS 7.0 overall
Singapore Cambridge General Certificate of Education Ordinary level - syllabus 1127 and 1128	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C6 - For courses requiring IELTS 6.0 Overall • C5 - For courses requiring IELTS 6.5 Overall • B3 - For courses requiring IELTS 7.0 Overall
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Swedish qualifications AVGANGSBETYG OR SLUTBETYG	VG (val godkant) or C in English. VG = IELTS 6.5 overall MVG = IELTS 7.0 overall
Swiss qualifications MATURITATZEUGNIS / CERTIFICAT DE MATURITE / ATTESTATO DE MATURITA - Federal maturity certificate or the federally-recognised cantonal maturity certificate	5 (gut/bien/bene) in English 5 = IELTS 6.5 overall 6 = IELTS 7.0 overall
TOEFL IBT	NQF Level 6 - 80 with a minimum of 20 in each component NQF Level 7 - 92 with a minimum of 22 in writing and a minimum of 20 in reading in each component Overall scores: 80 = IELTS 6.0 90 = IELTS 6.5 95 = IELTS 7.0 NOTE: Tests are valid for a duration of 2 years. All results must be verified online at: https://toefl-registration.ets.org/TOEFLWeb/extISERLogonPrompt.do

University Foundation Year- EF INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE CENTRES	NQF 3 - 5 - English 60% with no less than 55% in each component NQF 6 & 7 - English 60% with no less than 55% in each component (or HEI own assessment)
WASSCE (West Africa Senior Schools Certificate Examination): West African Examination Council (WAEC)	A to C or 1 to 6. We only accept qualifications obtained from 2000 onwards. C6 - For courses requiring IELTS 6.0 overall C5 - For courses requiring IELTS 6.5 overall B3 - For courses requiring IELTS 7.0 overall (with a WASSCE/WAEC scratchcard to verify the results)