

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Information for all prospective applicants to Research Master and Doctoral programs at ECU

All applicants for admission and scholarship into ECU postgraduate research courses are required to meet an English Language Proficiency Requirement as well as general academic entry. These include:

- **On-shore International Students:** Those intending to study on-campus and will require a temporary residence visa (or similar).
- **Permanent Residents and Australian Citizens:** Normally those applicants who are from a non English-speaking background.

Please note that there may be visa implications depending on the type of English language testing an applicant undertakes (ie, in some countries an IELTS score may be required before visa approval). Please contact ECU International to enquire about this ([international@ecu.edu.au](mailto:international@ecu.edu.au) or on-line at <http://www.ecu.edu.au/future-students/international/how-to-get-into-ecu>)

### Acceptable English Language Tests (Minimum Scores)

<b>IELTS<sup>1</sup></b>	An overall band score of <b>6.5 out of a possible 9.0</b> , with no less than 6.0 on any individual band. <b>Note:</b> Psychology & Education programs require a minimum score of 7.0 overall with no individual band less than 6.5, and may also be subject to suitable performance during a telephone interview
<b>TOEFL (Written)</b>	Score of <b>573 out of a possible 677 ... INCLUDING</b> Test of Written English (TWE) score of at least 5 out of 6. <b>Note:</b> Education programs require a minimum score of 600 Psychology programs require a minimum score of 627
<b>TOEFL (Computer-based)</b>	Score of <b>232 out of a possible 300 ... INCLUDING</b> Test of Written English (TWE) score of at least 5 out of 6. <b>Note:</b> Education programs require a minimum score of 250 Psychology programs require a minimum score of 263
<b>TOEFL "iBT" (Online testing)</b>	Score of <b>88 out of a possible 120</b> (no individual score less than 22)
<b>Pearson Test of English (PTE)</b>	PTE <b>Academic 64</b> (with no scores less than 58) for those courses with a current requirement of IELTS 6.
<b>Other</b>	Other evidence of English language proficiency may be acceptable. Details can be obtained from ECU International

### Time Validity of Results

- A score in a formal English Language test (IELTS, TOEFL) is valid for a maximum of two years after completion of the test. Cambridge tests are normally guaranteed for the student's lifetime.

<sup>1</sup> This is the preferred English language test for ECU Admissions