

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY FAQ

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There are 5 ways to fulfill the English language proficiency requirements for exchange to CBS:

1. You hold a school leaving certificate showing fully completed secondary school education in English from Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, UK, or USA.
2. You hold a bachelor degree that has been fully taught in English from Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa, UK, or USA.
3. You have passed a secondary school level in an EU / EEA country that fulfills the Danish English level A. (Scroll down to “EU/EEA exams that fulfill the requirement” from [here](#).)
4. You are undertaking a bachelor or graduate degree taught entirely in English.
5. You have achieved the minimum result in one of the English language proficiency tests accepted by CBS:
 - Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English (CAE): minimum result of C (requirement will be raised to 185 with effect from application to the academic year 2020-21 and onward)
 - Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE): passed
 - IELTS Academic Test: minimum result of 7.0 (new requirement in effect)
 - TOEFL iBT: minimum result of 91 (requirement will be raised to 94 with effect from application to the academic year 2020-21 and onward)

In these five cases, you should **provide the appropriate documentation with your application for exchange**. For students being taught 100% in English, a screenshot from your university website stating your study program title (matching your current study program on your transcript) and language of instruction will suffice.

Not accepted as proof of English proficiency:

- A. You have always lived in a non-English speaking country, but your mother tongue is English
- B. Your mother tongue is not English, but you have completed an English language course
- C. Your degree is not taught entirely in English, but you can provide a statement or letter from your professor or home university that confirms your English language proficiency
- D. Your language test result is one point below the minimum (see bullet 5 above)
- E. You have spent a long period of time in an English-speaking country as an au pair / on exchange / on vacation / in an internship
- F. You have passed any other English test than the ones accepted by CBS (see bullet 5 above)

If you do not fulfill any of the English language proficiency requirements (1 to 5) above, then **you must take an English test**.