



FACTSHEET

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

Admission to Australian Learning Group (ALG) is determined by a student's ability to meet minimum academic requirements, English language proficiency requirements and prerequisites for the course. All training and assessment at ALG is conducted in English and international students must provide evidence of meeting the required level of English proficiency before commencing their course.

These English proficiency requirements apply to applications received on or after 24 August 2020 for Sydney and 22 January 2021 for Brisbane, Melbourne and Perth.

ALG English Proficiency Requirements

The following table outlines ALG's English proficiency requirements:

Course Level	Requirements
Certificate III Certificate IV	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IELTS 5.5 (or equivalent), with no individual band under 5.0; or• ALG in-house English Proficiency test equivalent to IELTS 5.5; or• a Certificate IV level qualification (or higher) completed from the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) in Australia within 2 years of commencing course with ALG; or• completion in Australia and in the English language, the Senior Secondary Certificate of Education within 2 years before commencing course with ALG.
Diploma	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• IELTS 6.0 (or equivalent), with no individual band under 5.5; or• ALG in-house English Proficiency test equivalent to IELTS 6.0; or• a Certificate IV level qualification (or higher) completed from the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) in Australia within 2 years of commencing course with ALG; or• completion in Australia and in the English language, the Senior Secondary Certificate of Education within 2 years before commencing course with ALG.



The following exceptions apply:

- The English entry requirement for BSB50420 Diploma of Leadership and Management is IELTS 5.5 (or equivalent), with no individual band under 5.5.

Students may need additional and/or different English proficiency and evidence to the ones above when applying for a student visa. For more information, please visit <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/>. Regardless of ALG's English proficiency requirements, all international applicants should be aware that they must satisfy the Department of Home Affairs evidentiary requirements in relation to their student visa application.

Acceptable Evidence of English Proficiency

Students can provide various types of evidence to demonstrate that they have the required level of English proficiency before commencing their course as outlined below.

1. Official English Language Tests

ALG accepts English proficiency results from the following official tests, subject to the test results being no more than two years old at the commencement of the course:

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
- Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet Based Test (TOEFL iBT)
- Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE)
- Pearson Test of English (PTE)
- Occupational English Test (OET)

The minimum scores are outlined in the table below:

Official Test Provider	Minimum Test Score (Certificate III and Certificate IV Level Courses)	Minimum Test Score (Diploma Level Courses)
IELTS	5.5 (with no individual band under 5.0)	6.0 (with no individual band under 5.5)
TOEFL Internet Based	46	60
Cambridge English CAE	162	169
PTE	42	50
OET	B	B



2. ALG In-House English Proficiency Test

ALG offers an in-house English proficiency test for students that need to provide evidence of their English proficiency and that do not meet any of ALG's alternative requirements.

Offshore applicants will be able to complete the ALG in-house English proficiency test online. Onshore applicants can complete the ALG in-house English proficiency test online or on campus.

ALG reserves the right to require such students to undertake a further confirmatory test on-campus before the commencement of their course.

For further information, contact the Admissions Team at admissions@alg.edu.au.

3. Australian Vocational Qualifications

Students that provide a completed Certificate IV level qualification (or higher) from the Australian Qualifications Framework completed in Australia within two years of the commencement of their studies with ALG are not required to provide further evidence of English proficiency.

4. Students already enrolled with ALG progressing to a higher-level qualification

Students who have completed a qualification with ALG and wish to enrol in a higher-level qualification with ALG that requires a higher English proficiency level, may be exempt from these requirements based on their academic record. No further evidence may be required.

5. Successful Completion of Year 12 in Australia

Students who have completed the Secondary Certificate of Education in Australia and in the English language, two years before commencing their enrolment with ALG, meet the English proficiency requirement. As evidence, students must provide evidence of the relevant Secondary Certificate of Education for their state.



6. Completion of ELICOS program prior to ALG course

International students may package their intended course at ALG with an English language course from an English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS) provider. Under a packaged program, students may apply for a student visa for the combined duration of the ELICOS and ALG course.

Completion of the ELICOS program is not sufficient evidence of English proficiency in terms of ALG's entry requirements. Students will be required to undertake an ALG in-house English proficiency test to evidence proficiency before commencing their course. However, it is to ALG's discretion to accept an ELICOS certificate as sufficient evidence of English proficiency which is determined on a case-by-case basis.

Exemption of English Proficiency Evidence

Students who are citizens of and hold a passport from the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Canada (excluding Quebec), New Zealand or the Republic of Ireland, are not required to present evidence of English proficiency as part of their application.

Conditional Letter of Offer and Conditional Confirmation of Enrolment

A Conditional Letter of Offer (LoO) and Conditional Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) may be issued if students have not yet provided evidence of English proficiency at time of enrolment. Students must satisfy all of the conditions specified in their Conditional CoE before commencing their course.

Where subsequent evidence is required under a Conditional LoO or Conditional CoE, ALG will rescind the Conditional LoO or Conditional CoE and/or not allow the student to commence the course until the requirements are not fulfilled. This may result in the student's enrolment being cancelled and affect the student's visa. In all such cases, students must contact the Department of Home Affairs to seek any advice on their visa.