

TOEFL policy for international applicants & US permanent residents UC Irvine School of Social Sciences

The internet-based TOEFL is required of international applicants, including US permanent residents who did not attend for four full years and graduate high school in the United States.

Specifically, a minimum sub-score of 26/30 on the Speaking component of the test is needed to qualify for financial support consideration. We cannot waive this minimum score requirement under any circumstances.

This policy supersedes the UCI campus policy that allows schools to waive the TOEFL requirement, for admission consideration, for candidates who hold a US undergraduate or advanced degree, or a comparable degree from a country in which English is the primary or dominant language:

www.grad.uci.edu/admissions/applying-to-uci/english-proficiency.html

We can accept current IELTS scores as an alternative to the TOEFL-ibT: <https://www.ielts.org/> in which case a minimum speaking sub-score of 8/9 is required, with minimum 7/9 overall and no individual module score less than 6/9.

Excepting citizens of countries listed in the above web link (principally, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa and the United Kingdom) we cannot waive this language-proficiency requirement for any applicant for whom the TOEFL is required.

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