

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS/STUDENTS

The Michener Institute of Applied Health Sciences specializes in training practitioners for the health care field. The content of lectures, course materials and daily interaction is high in science content, and the ability to communicate, read, and write in the English language is necessary to ensure students are adequately prepared to successfully complete their programs of study. In addition to meeting the general admission requirements for programs, it may be necessary for applicants to provide proof of English language ability. If proof of English language ability is required, the assessment should take place as early as possible. The test results can take up to six weeks to be returned to us, and a candidate cannot be offered a firm offer, nor start a program, if this criterion is still outstanding.

Only tests taken in the last two years are considered valid.

DO YOU REQUIRE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT

If your first language is English and the country, in which your total education took place, is Canada or is listed in the table below, you are not required to present proof of English language assessment. Rather, you must include ENG4U/Grade 12-University Prep English/anglais with your transcript as part of your admission documentation. If French is your first language, and you have studied for four years or more, full-time, showing satisfactory academic progress, in the Canadian school system, you are not required to present English language testing papers. Rather, you must include ENG4U/Grade 12-University Prep English/anglais with your transcript as part of your admission documentation. If English or French is not your first language, and you have completed two years of full-time education at a post-secondary educational facility in a country where the dominant language is English, you are not required to complete an English language assessment. Proof of attendance at one of these post-secondary education facilities must be provided along with your transcripts as part of the admission documentation. A list of countries that are recognized as dominant English language speaking countries by The Michener Institute is included in this information sheet. If English or French is not your first language, and you have not completed two years of full-time education at a post-secondary facility in a country where the dominant language is English, then you are required to complete an English language assessment.

If you are a registered/licensed Health Care Provider in **Canada**, you are exempt from providing an English Language Assessment.

ACCEPTED TESTING SERVICES AND SCORES REQUIRED

Michener English Language Assessment

The Michener English Language Assessment (MELA) measures English Language proficiency in four skill areas: Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing. The MELA test scores are reported using the Canadian Language Benchmarks which are a Canadian national standard of English Language proficiency. A minimum score of 8 on all components is required to be considered for admission to Michener programs. For more information about the Michener English Language Assessment, visit www.themela.com

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and Test of Written English (TWE)

The scores required for TOEFL are a minimum TOEFL score of 100 (iBT) with a minimum of 22 on the Writing Section or 250 (computer) or 600 (written) and TWE of 5.0. Unless applicants have written a TWE along with the paper-based TOEFL test, they will be required to write that portion of the assessment. The TOEFL booklet, available from The Michener Institute, shows the location of testing centres in Ontario, along with phone numbers.

Applicants can also get information from their website at www.toefl.org, by e-mail at toefl@ets.org, by phone (609) 771-7100, and by fax (609) 771-7500.

The closest testing centre to Michener is located at Bloor and Islington, phone number (416) 236-2629. There are also testing centres in Cambridge, London, Ottawa, Whitby, and Windsor as well as out-of-province. The Michener Institute's testing centre code is 0323.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

The scoring for IELTS is an overall score of 6.5 with all components (bands) of the test being at a 6 or above. **Academic test format is required.** Information is available from IELTS Office, University Examinations Syndicate, One Hills Road, Cambridge CB1 2EU, UK, telephone: (1223) 553311, fax: (1223) 460278, e-mail guymer.l@ucles.org.uk, and the website www.ielts.org

COUNTRIES RECOGNIZED AS DOMINANT ENGLISH LANGUAGE COUNTRIES

Anguilla	Antigua and Barbuda	Australia	Bahamas
Belize	Bermuda	Botswana	British Virgin Islands
Cameroon**	Cayman Islands	Dominica	Fiji
Gambia	Ghana	Gibraltar	Grenada
Guyana	Ireland (Northern)	Ireland (Republic)	Jamaica
Kenya	Lesotho	Liberia	Malawi
Malta**	Mauritius ¹	Namibia	New Zealand
Nigeria	Papua New Guinea	St. Kitt's & Nevis	St. Lucia
St. Vincent & The	Scotland	Seychelles	Sierra Leone
Singapore	Solomon Islands	South Africa**	Swaziland
Tanzania	Tonga	Trinidad & Tobago	Turks & Caicos
Uganda	United Kingdom	USA	Vanuatu* *
Zambia	Zimbabwe		

Only the countries listed above will be considered as countries where English is the dominant language.

** Students will only be exempt from providing proof of English language facility from schools in these countries if the language of instruction of the school in question was English.