

# **Regulations for Graduation Requirements for Basic Competencies of Students of I-Shou University**

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Article 1 The Regulations for Graduation Requirements for Basic Competencies of Students of I-Shou University (hereinafter referred to as “the Regulations”) are made by I-Shou University (hereinafter referred to as “the University”) with the aim of enhancing students’ English proficiency, computer skills, and professional competencies to further help them plan for further education and future careers.

Article 2 The basic competencies herein mentioned refer to students’ English proficiency, computer skills, and professional licenses and certificates, as well as others set by respective academic units.

Undergraduate students of the University (except for students of the School of Chinese Medicine for Post Baccalaureate) shall meet the criteria for English proficiency before graduation. Students who have met the criteria stated in Article 3 before being admitted to the University and have passed the review will be regarded as fulfilling the graduation requirement for English proficiency.

Academic units may establish different criteria for computer skills and professional certification depending on the basic competencies their students are required to have. Students who have met the criteria before or after being admitted to the University shall submit an application form and a valid score report to the academic units they belong to, and their performance in such courses will be registered as “Passed” after the application is approved.

Special bachelor’s degree programs may establish other criteria for students’ basic competencies depending on their respective characteristics.

Article 3      The criteria for English proficiency stated in Paragraph 2 of the preceding article are shown in the appendix below.

Undergraduate students from countries on the List of Nations with English as the Official or Common Language provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs may submit their results of the Scholastic Assessment Tests (SAT), the American College Testing (ACT) (with English scores ranked among the top 60%), or other English proficiency tests, or provide their passports and transcripts from secondary school or higher, to the Foreign Language Center for review. Upon approval, they may proceed to their department offices for registration to fulfill the graduation requirement for English proficiency.

For students of the departments under the International College (except for the Department of Applied Japanese), international programs, and the School of Medicine (for those admitted to the University in or after Academic Year 2020), the criteria for English proficiency shall be stricter than those mentioned above, or other criteria and alternatives may be adopted separately based on the professions of colleges or departments.

Article 4      Regarding computer skills, academic units may adopt the criteria established by a credible and independent testing body or by the Office of Library and Information Services.

Article 5      The criteria and rules established by respective academic units will become effective after being adopted by both the competent College Affairs Councils and the University Academic Council.

Article 6      Academic units shall include such non-credit-bearing courses as “English Proficiency,” “Computer Skills,” and/or “Professional Certification” in the curriculum for newly admitted students. Students are not eligible to graduate unless they have earned all required credits and met the criteria for basic competencies established by the departments of their major within the prescribed duration of study.

Article 7 Students who fail to meet the criteria for English proficiency may take one of the following alternatives, and their performance will be registered as “Passed” if they have passed the course:

1. English proficiency courses offered during summer and/or winter vacations to sophomore-to-be, junior, and senior students: The fee standards are the same as those applicable to summer courses. After being admitted to the University, students who have taken one of the designated English proficiency tests three or more times are eligible for a one-time subsidy equal to half of the credit fees of the course.
2. Students in the junior year or beyond (or students of the Post-Baccalaureate Program in Nursing in the sophomore year or beyond) may take the non-credit-bearing required course “English Proficiency - Distance Teaching,” and the passing criteria shall be established by the Foreign Language Center. The registration fee for the course “English Proficiency - Distance Teaching” is NT\$100 each time.
3. Students in the senior year or beyond (or students of the Post-Baccalaureate Program in Nursing in the junior year or beyond) and super seniors may take the non-credit-bearing required course “On-campus English Proficiency Test,” and the passing criteria shall be established by the Foreign Language Center. The registration fee for the course “On-campus English Proficiency Test” is NT\$100 each time.

The aforementioned rules do not apply to students of the departments under the International College (except for the Department of Applied Japanese), international programs, or the School of Medicine (for those admitted to the University in or after Academic Year 2020).

Article 8 The Regulations become effective on the third day of promulgation after being adopted by the University Administration Council and ratified by the President.

*Note: In case of any disputes or misunderstandings regarding the interpretation of the language or terms of the Regulations, the Chinese language version shall prevail.*

Appendix

## Criteria for English Proficiency for Undergraduate Students at I-Shou University

| No. | English Proficiency Test                     | Passing Criteria                                |
|-----|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1   | GEPT                                         | Intermediate - First Stage                      |
| 2   | TOEFL                                        | ITP/457<br>CBT/137<br>IBT/57                    |
| 3   | TOEIC                                        | 550                                             |
| 4   | IELTS                                        | 4                                               |
| 5   | NETPAW                                       | Intermediate Level (Listening and Reading)      |
| 6   | CSEPT                                        | 170+                                            |
| 7   | FLPT                                         | 150+                                            |
| 8   | Cam. Main Suite                              | PET<br>140-152                                  |
| 9   | BULATS                                       | Level 2<br>40-49                                |
| 10  | Linguaskill Business/<br>Linguaskill General | Level 2<br>140-149                              |
| 11  | GET                                          | B1                                              |
| 12  | BESTEP                                       | Listening and Reading: CEFR Level B1<br>(70-99) |

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| 13 | BESTEP | Speaking and Writing: CEFR Level B1<br>(230~275) |
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