

## English Proficiency and Equivalency

English language proficiency is one of the basic requirements for international students from non-English speaking nations who want to pursue their education overseas. Below are comparison tables that can help with decision making.

At Weber State University, international students who place below the required proficiency level can be placed in one of the [ESL Pathway](#) options.

### Duolingo Vs. IELTS Vs. TOEFL: Comparison Chart

Comparison parameter	<a href="#">Duolingo</a>	<a href="#">IELTS</a>	<a href="#">TOEFL</a>
Mode of examination	Computer-based	Computer-based Paper-based	Computer-based Paper-based (Available in limited centers)
Exam Fees (USD)	\$59	\$215-\$310 depends on location	\$225 (varies outside US)
Duration of the Exam (Total)	45 minutes	164 minutes	206 minutes
Results Declaration	48 hours	3-5 days (Computer-based) 13 days (Paper-based)	8 days
Number of sections	2	4	4
Sections	1. Adaptive section (reading, writing, listening, speaking) 2. Video Interview	1. Reading 2. Speaking 3. Listening 4. Writing	1. Reading 2. Listening 3. Speaking 4. Writing
Scoring Range & Methods	Score (10-160)	Bands (0-9)	Score (0-120)

## Duolingo Vs. IELTS Score

Duolingo Score	IELTS Score
10	1.5
15	2
20-25	2.5
30-40	3
45-50	3.5
55-60	4
65-70	4.5
75-80	5
85-90	5.5
95-100	6
105-110	6.5
115-120	7
125-130	7.5
135-140	8
145-150	8.5
155-160	9

## Duolingo Vs. TOEFL Score

Duolingo Score	TOEFL IBT Score
10-60	0-23
65	24-29
70	30-34
75	35-40
80	41-46
85	47-52
90	53-58
95	59-64
100	65-69
105	70-75
110	76-81
115	82-86
120	87-92
125	93-97
130	98-103
135	104-108
140	109-112
145	113-116
150	117-118
155	119
160	120

The [PTE Academic](#) test is a newer English proficiency test that is gaining popularity.

## IELTS comparison

<b>PTE Academic</b>	23	29	36	46	56	66	76	84	89	N/A
<b>IELTS</b>	← 4.5 →	← 5.0 →	← 5.5 →	← 6.0 →	← 6.5 →	← 7.0 →	← 7.5 →	← 8.0 →	← 8.5 →	← 9.0 →

## TOEFL comparison

<b>PTE Academic</b>	38	42	46	50	53	59	64	68	72	78	84
<b>TOEFL iBT</b>	40-44	54-56	65-66	74-75	79-80	87-88	94	99-100	105	113	120