To help students to achieve their goal of studying at Otago, the University of Otago Language Centre offers a pathway for students to meet the English language requirements for undergraduate or postgraduate study. English for Otago also provides excellent preparation for academic study at the University of Otago.

Before students study English for Otago papers, they should have an offer of place from the International Office at the University of Otago to be eligible for admission to an undergraduate or postgraduate programme. Students are strongly advised to contact the International Office by email: international.marketing@otago.ac.nz to start the admission process.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How long is the programme?
Both English for Otago courses are 15 weeks in duration.

What does the entrance test assess?
Academic reading, writing, and listening.

Will I get a refund if I don’t pass the entrance test?
New students will receive a full credit of tuition fees less the administration fee.

Current students will be expected to return to a Language Centre class.

Other students will have a credit of fees subject to the Fee Policy.

What are my options if I don’t pass the entrance test?
• Study English at the University of Otago Language Centre and prepare for an IELTS or TOEFL examination; or
• Study English at the University of Otago Language Centre until the next English for Otago course is offered at the level you require; or
• Go to the University of Otago Foundation Year if students want to study at undergraduate level.

If I pass English for Otago how long is the result valid for?
The result is valid for two years.

Is English for Otago accepted by other institutions?
Otago Polytechnic accepts English for Otago.

Fees for questions regarding admission to undergraduate or postgraduate programmes please refer to the International Office at the University of Otago:
Web: otago.ac.nz/international
Email: international.marketing@otago.ac.nz

ENGLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR OTAGO

There are no ‘special examinations’ for students who fail English for Otago. Students must achieve a ‘C’ grade to pass either English for Otago courses. In achieving this grade, students meet the English language requirements for admission to most undergraduate or postgraduate programmes at Otago. Some programmes require an IELTS of 7.0 or 7.5.

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DATES 2019

February
Complete and pass English for Otago in time to begin study in second semester at the University of Otago 2019.

Entrance Test: 20 February 2019
Course Starts: 25 February 2019
Course Recess: 22 – 26 April 2019
Course Finishes: 7 June 2019
Final Examination: 11 June 2019

October
Complete and pass English for Otago in time to begin study in first semester at the University of Otago 2020.

Entrance Test: 16 October 2019
Course Starts: 21 October 2019
Course Recess: 23 December 2019 - 5 January 2020
Course Finishes: 7 February 2020
Final Examination: 11 February 2020

ATTENDANCE AND REFUND POLICIES

Attendance, Fees and Refund policies are located at:
otago.ac.nz/uolcfy/about/policies

FEES 2019
Tuition fees are NZ$6,885
All fees are inclusive of the NZ GST rate of 15%
Fees are subject to change. All other fees are located on our website:
otago.ac.nz/uolcfy

To apply complete the application form or download it from our website:
otago.ac.nz/uolcfy/apply
then forward it to:
The Admissions Officer
University of Otago Language Centre
PO Box 56
Dunedin 9054, New Zealand
or scan and email it to:
ulcfy.admissions@otago.ac.nz
There are two courses available – one for students who want to study at undergraduate level and one for students who want to study at postgraduate level. The courses start in February and October for both undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

**ENGLISH FOR OTAGO**

**ENGLISH FOR UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EUAP)**

**ADMISSION**

This is an intensive course requiring a high entry standard. Students are required to pass the entrance test in order to enter English for Otago or have achieved the following results within 2 years of the start date of the course:

- IELTS – 5.5 (no band below 5.0)
- TOEFLiBT – 70 (writing 15)
- Paper based TOEFL – 525 (TWE 4.0)
- Computer based TOEFL – 193 (essay rating 4.0)
- GCE O-Level English – Grade C6
- HKDSE English – Level 2
- HK ALE Use of English – Grade D7
- SPM Bahasa Inggris – Grade 4

**COURSE CONTENT**

- Academic vocabulary in general and specific subject areas
- Reading, critical understanding and assessment of academic texts
- Listening skills and strategies needed to understand academic texts and lectures
- Paraphrasing and summarising academic texts
- Critical assessment of academic reading and listening
- Delivery of presentations
- Participation in academic debates and discussions
- Research skills including electronic research, methodology and presentation of results
- Distinguishing between academic genres/production of different academic writing
- Structuring an argument for academic texts and essays
- Group research skills

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**ENGLISH FOR OTAGO**

**ENGLISH FOR POSTGRADUATE ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EPAP)**

**ADMISSION**

This is an intensive course requiring a high entry standard. Students are required to pass the entrance test in order to enter English for Otago or have achieved the following results within 2 years of the start date of the course:

- IELTS – 6.0 (no band below 5.5)
- TOEFLiBT – 80 (writing 20)
- Paper based TOEFL – 550 (TWE 4.5)
- Computer based TOEFL – 213 (essay rating 4.5)
- Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) – Grade B
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) – Grade C
- HKDSE – Level 4
- APIEL (Advanced Placement International English Language) – Grade 3
- International Baccalaureate

**COURSE CONTENT**

- Academic vocabulary in general and specific subject areas
- Reading, critical understanding and assessment of academic texts
- Listening skills and strategies needed to understand academic texts and lectures
- Paraphrasing and summarising academic texts
- Critical assessment of academic reading and listening
- Delivery of presentations
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English for Otago may suit:

- Students who already have a conditional offer from the International Office and are required to improve their English
- Students who have an unconditional offer from the International Office and who have not studied at a New Zealand tertiary institution.