

Info-Sheet: Language Test Requirements for Online-Applications

Global Exchange and PROMOS Program

Participation in the Global Exchange and PROMOS Program requires sufficient knowledge of the language of instruction abroad. The language certificate must meet the requirements given below and must not be older than two years. **High school diplomas are not accepted as proof of language proficiency!**

English

The OnSET English language placement test is offered by the Language Center of the University of Siegen free of charge. We strongly advise students to register for a test date well in advance:

- OnSET Test Dates:
<https://www.uni-siegen.de/sprachenzentrum/zertifikate/onset/>
- OnSET Sample Test:
<https://www.onset.de/en/language-placement-test-english-onset/sample-test/>

If one of the below listed language test has been completed in the previous two years, there is no need to take an additional OnSET placement test. The following language certificates are accepted:

- TOEFL ITP, iBT, TOEIC (language test is offered by the Language Center)
- IELTS, Cambridge
- Duolingo (standardized English language test, not the App!)

Comparison Chart: European Frame of Reference for Languages and Test Scores

CEFR	OnSET	TOEFL ITP	TOEFL iBT	TOEIC	IELTS	Cambridge	Duolingo
C1	133	627	95	945	6.5	180	120
B2	98	543	72	785	5	160	90
B1	71	460	42	550	3.5	140	60
A2	42	337		225		120	25

Table entries are minimum scores for the respective level.

Spanish and Portuguese

For exchange studies in a country with Spanish or Portuguese as the national language, a corresponding language level of A2 or higher is required. Currently, a Spanish placement test completed at the Language Center of the University of Siegen or our Confirmation of Language Proficiency Template is sufficient as proof.

Students with a language proficiency below B2 in Spanish or Portuguese are required to submit an additional English Language Certificate (see above).