

English Proficiency Requirements for Non-Native Speakers

The Department of Architecture has higher English proficiency requirements for graduate students (non-native speakers of English) than those needed for admission to KU. Confirmation can come in one of the following forms:

- Official transcript showing the applicant graduated with a baccalaureate degree (or higher) earned in residence from an accredited English-medium U.S. college or university or a college or university in the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, English-speaking province of Canada, or an English-speaking Caribbean country, with instruction conducted in English.
- Receipt of official copy of applicant's proficiency scores achieved not more than two years before the first day of class for the semester of admission:

Test scores required for regular admission to an architecture graduate program are:

- IELTS scores: Minimum overall score of 6.5 with no part scores below 6.0.
- TOEFL scores (iBT): All part scores at least 23.
- TOEFL scores (CBT): All part scores at least 23 and essay score of at least 5.
- TOEFL scores (paper): All part scores at least 57 and essay score of at least 5.

Admitted students will take the Applied English Center (AEC) English Proficiency Test and may be required to enroll in one or more Applied English Center courses if they have:

- An IELTS overall score below 6.5 or any score below 6.0.
- Any part of the Internet based TOEFL below 23.
- Any part of the computer based TOEFL below 23 or an essay score below 5.
- Any part of the paper based TOEFL below 57 or an essay score below 5.

See <http://policy.ku.edu/graduate-studies/english-proficiency-international-students> for the University's English proficiency requirements for graduate admission.