

Language other than English

Students whose first language is a language other than English must satisfy an entry requirement in English.

These students are required to sit an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic Test, unless they have a tertiary qualification taught in English. The scores required for each award are as follows:

Diploma of Theology - At least 6.0 in each of the four categories of tests.

Bachelor of Theology - 6.5 overall, with 6.5 in reading and writing and no score below 6.0 in any module is required.

Graduate Diploma of Theology, Master of Divinity or Master of Arts (Theology) - an overall band score of 6.5 is required: with 6.5 in reading and writing and with no score under 6.0 in any module.

Master of Theology and Doctor of Theology - a score of 7.0 in reading and writing, 6.5 in listening and 6.0 in speaking is required.

No test result that is more than three years old will be accepted. In such cases students will be required to resit the test.

Important note: from 2010 the IELTS requirements for international students being accepted into GradDip, MDiv and MA coursework awards will increase: such students must obtain an average of 7.0, with at least 7.0 for reading and writing, and 6.0 for listening and speaking. International students seeking entry to the MTh, DMin and ThD degrees must obtain an average of 7.5, with at least 7.0 in reading and writing, and 6.5 in listening and speaking.

For a description and sample of the IELTS test see the following websites:

IELTS website: <http://www.ielts.org>

UTS IELTS Website: <http://www.uts.edu.au/international/index.html>

Students whose first language is a language other than English may bring with them into the examination a dictionary (Language-English or English-English) and, where the use of an English Bible is permitted, a Bible in a language other than English. At diploma level, such students may be granted additional time in examinations.

Students whose first language is other than English

Those students who have registered at the time of enrolment as those whose first language is not English are allowed extra time in pre-degree diploma and internal exams only. Students in this category are allowed up to one third extra time (e.g. for a 2-hour exam, you are allowed 2 hours and 40 minutes).

All students (including Diploma, BTh, BMin and MDiv) who have registered as those whose first language is not English are permitted to bring a copy of the Bible in their first language where an English Bible is permitted. The same restrictions as to notes, markings etc. as above apply. They may also bring into the exam room a dictionary (English-English or Language-English) - paper-based dictionaries only; no electronic aids.