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7. Language proficiency requirements

- (3) Where the course-specific Admissions and Selection Regulations for a degree course specify a required level of English language proficiency of, or equivalent to, at least level C 1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, applicants shall demonstrate the required level of proficiency by means of one of the following documents or certificates:
- 1. A German Zeugnis der allgemeinen Hochschulreife (colloquially Abitur) or Fachhochschulreife (colloquially Fachabitur), showing a grade of gut (at least 11 points) or better in the subject of English, taken as a Leistungskurs or as an Erweiterungskurs
- 2. TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), ITP or iBT
- 3. IELTS (International English Language Testing System Academic Training)
- 4. Cambridge Certificate:
- CAE (Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English)
- CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English)
- 5. TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication)
- 6. BEC (Business English Certificates)
- 7. Linguaskill General
- 8. PTE (Pearson Test of English) Academic
- 9. telc English
- 10. A higher education entrance qualification attained at a school in an English-speaking country, as defined by the German Federal Agency for Civic Education, or an English-medium school
- 11. A formal document/official transcript issued by a higher education institution confirming the applicant has studied successfully for at least two years on a degree course taught through the medium of English or in an English-speaking country, as defined by the German Federal Agency for Civic Education
- 12. Evidence of professional/work experience, attained after graduation from a degree course, of at least two years' duration, attained in an English-speaking country, as defined by the German Federal Agency for Civic Education, or in a business or organisation which works in English.

In exceptional, individual cases, applicants may demonstrate their English language proficiency by means of qualifications or experience equivalent to those listed in points 1 to 12 above. The Student Admissions and Registration Office shall take decisions on the equivalency of qualifications or experience to those listed in points 1 to 12 above on a case-by-case basis.