



English language proficiency requirements for applying for the FSC's Long-term Postdoc Scholarship (South-South)

The applicants must provide results of an English language proficiency examination as part of their application. Please see the acceptable tests and the minimum required score in the table below.

Test	Minimum score
1. TOEFL	
• Paper-based-test (pbt)	577
• Computer-based-test (cbt)	233
• Internet-based-test (ibt)	90
2. IELTS	6.5
3. Cambridge EFL Certificate (Certificate in Advanced English, CAE)	CAE
4. Cambridge Business English Certificate (BEC)	BEC Higher
5. London Chamber of Commerce LCCI Examinations Board	Level 3 (Distinction of Credit)
6. TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication)	No recognition
7. TELC / Certificate in English (The European Language Certificates)	No recognition
8. Trinity Certificates / ISE (Integrated Skills in English Examination, ISE)	ISE III
9. UNiCert Level (at the Language Center of the University of Hohenheim)	II (at least good")
10. ALTE Level (Association of Language Testers in Europe)	

The applicants who have already completed their Master studies continuously in English are not obliged to provide an English proficiency test certificate. Instead, they are asked to upload an official document (e.g. a letter from the university of the M.Sc.) which confirms the medium of instruction used during the M.Sc. being English.

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