English Language Requirements

Programs at the Health Leadership & Learning Network (HLLN) are offered in English. To register in our programs, you must demonstrate that you meet program requirements and language proficiency in your program's language of instruction. These are general guidelines only. Meeting minimum language requirements does not guarantee admission. HLLN reserves the right to require a successfully completed language proficiency test.

The Admissions Office reserves the right to request proof of English proficiency from any applicant (regardless of citizenship, country of origin or first language) at any time during the review process.

Exceptions:

You do not need to provide evidence of language proficiency, if

- You have completed/are completing three or more years of full-time academic study in a recognized Canadian university or college (in Canada) that teaches in English
- You have completed/are completing three or more years of full-time academic study in an English language university or college located in a country where the dominant language is English

You may qualify for an exemption if you have studied in English (for at least three years) in any of the following countries/territories: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, British Virgin Islands, Cameroon, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Falkland Islands, Fiji, Gambia, Ghana, Gibraltar, Grenada, Guam, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Malta, Mauritius, Montserrat, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, St. Helena, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Scotland, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, eSwatini (Swaziland), Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, Uganda, United Kingdom (England, Northern Ireland, Wales), United States of America, Vanuatu, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Please note that this list is for information only and we may require further proof of your eligibility for after you have submitted your application for admission.

Language tests and scores we accept:

You must provide a valid copy of your results of any of the tests below. Please note, results are valid for two years only, from the time the test was taken and not when results were received.

You can take any of these approved language tests:

Students who cannot access any of the currently accepted language tests below, may submit the Duolingo English Language Placement test for Summer 2021, Fall 2021 and Winter 2022 entry. A Duolingo score of 115 or higher is required.
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| IELTS: International English Language Testing System | A minimum overall score of **6.5**, with no band below 6.0 in Listening and Speaking  
Note: we do not accept the IELTS Indicator test.  
For information, visit: [www.ielts.org/](http://www.ielts.org/) | A copy of final results should be sent to us, together with your registration form by email to hlln@yorku.ca                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| TOEFL: Test of English as a Foreign Language (Internet-Based Test) | A minimum overall score of **86**, with no band below 21 in Listening and Speaking.  
For information, visit: [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl) | A copy of final results should be sent to us, together with your registration form by email to hlln@yorku.ca                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Cambridge Assessment English C1: Advanced or C2: Proficiency | A minimum overall score of **180**, with no band below 170 in Listening and Speaking.  
For information, visit: [www.cambridgeenglish.org/](http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/) | A copy of final results should be sent to us, together with your registration form by email to hlln@yorku.ca                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| CELBAN: Canadian English Language Benchmark Assessment for Nurses | A minimum overall score of 8 in Speaking, 10 in Listening 8 in Reading and 7 in Writing.  
For information, visit: [www.celbancentre.ca/](http://www.celbancentre.ca/) | A copy of final results should be sent to us, together with your registration form by email to hlln@yorku.ca                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| CELPIP: Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program | A minimum overall score of 9, with no band below 8.5 in Listening and Speaking.  
For information, visit: [www.celpip.ca/](http://www.celpip.ca/) | A copy of final results should be sent to us, together with your registration form by email to hlln@yorku.ca                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| CAEL: Canadian Academic English Language Assessment (including CAEL Online) | A minimum overall score of 70, with no band below 60 in Listening and Speaking.  
For information, visit: [www.cael.ca](http://www.cael.ca) | A copy of final results should be sent to us, together with your registration form by email to hlln@yorku.ca                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

Please note: We do not accept the TOEIC, TOEFL ITP or TOEFL ITP, Plus For China for admission purposes.

If you require further assistance, please contact us:

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