

A secure, reliable and fit for purpose English test for higher education

LanguageCert Academic is a four-skill multi-level English test spanning CEFR levels B1 to C2, specifically designed to assess English skills needed to succeed in an academic environment. It offers choice to undergraduate and postgraduate students who need to demonstrate language proficiency for admission to higher education.



LanguageCert Academic is directly calibrated to the levels of the Common European Framework of Reference produced by the Council of Europe. This means that performance on LanguageCert tests is directly comparable to exams from other English language testing organisations.

Note: Exact equivalences tend to be complex and challenging owing to differences in test design and purpose (Taylor, 2004). Concordancing evidence with other testing providers (indicative IELTS) are an illustration of the equivalencies, as verified both internally and independently by our external partners. In the middle of the scoring arrangements (LanguageCert Global Scale 60-80) evidence is more robust and scoring arrangements in lower and higher parts of the Global Scale should be interpreted with caution.

What makes LanguageCert Academic relevant for higher education?

- 1. The contexts focus on language used in an academic environment, with academic vocabulary and expressions relevant to most subjects. The test contains scenarios which include discussions with tutors, fellow students or university officials, lectures, seminars as well as authentic academic source materials (articles, journals, reports).
- **2.** The tasks sample features of language and skills from those required to succeed in an academic setting, e.g., writing essays, giving presentations, note-taking, formulating arguments.
- **3.** The levels span the range of CEFR levels that support institutions in deciding whether a student will be able to cope with academic language requirements at university, i.e., CEFR B1–C2.



Why choose LanguageCert Academic?

- Academic focus for all tasks
- Widely accessible through 2 delivery modes:
 - LanguageCert Secure Test Centre network: 180+ centres globally
 - LanguageCert Online Proctoring 24/7/365 (Coming soon)
- Easy online booking
- Friendly, real-life test experience:
 - Speaking conducted with a live LanguageCert Marking Interlocutor
- Quick results within 5 business days:
 - Online test report with personalised feedback for Writing and Speaking
 - Certificate (printed / online) regulated by Ofqual
 - Digital badge for sharing on social media
- Wide range of preparation materials

anguageCert Academic test format and structure

LanguageCert Academic assesses 4 skills (Listening, Reading, Writing, and Speaking) through a Written and a Spoken component. Both components must be booked together and can be taken on the same day or within 14 days of each other. Both the Written and Spoken components are available through the LanguageCert Secure Test Centre network, and via fully secure Online Proctoring (Coming soon).

Written Exam

Listening



4 parts - 30 questions Multiple choice/note taking Around 40 minutes (all parts heard twice)

Reading



4 parts - 30 questions Multiple choice/gap filling/multiple matching 50 minutes

Writing



2 tasks Extended responses 50 minutes

Spoken Exam

Speaking



4 parts Questions/role-play/read aloud/presentation Around 14 minutes



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