English Language Entry Requirements for Computer Science Graduate Programmes

Teaching in Irish Universities is normally through the medium of English, therefore all applicants are required to demonstrate a high level of competence in English language. Applicants whose first language is not English, and who are not presenting the subject English in a school-leaving examination which is at least of Leaving Certificate OD3 standard (e.g. GCSE grade C) must present English at a sufficient level as outlined below:

The minimum English Language Requirements in relation to TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) and IELTS (International English Language Testing System) are as below.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) administered by Princeton University

- In the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), a minimum score of 600, with a minimum score of 475 in the Test of Written English.
- In the computer based TOEFL, a minimum score of 250 is required.
- In the Internet based TOEFL (iTB), a minimum score of 100 is required.

International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

- An average score of 6.5 over all components and a minimum of 6.0 in each band on the Academic Version.

Apart from meeting one of the above requirements, any one of the following qualifications may be acceptable as the minimum English language requirement for entry to University College Dublin.

- Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC): minimum score of 750
- University of Cambridge
- CAE (Certificate in Advanced English): Grade B
- CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English): Grade C.
- University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCLES): English at grade C or above (incorporating the Oxford Examining Body’s English as a Foreign Language (Higher Paper))
- Irish Leaving Certificate English at Grade D3 Ordinary Level or above.
- GCE ‘O’ Level English Language at Grade C or above.
- GCSE English Language at Grade C or above.
- CSE Grade 1 Pass in English.
- Hong Kong Certificate in Education: English Language Syllabus B, Grade C or above.
- Joint Matriculation Board (JMB): Test in English (Overseas) examination – Pass.
- Matriculation examinations from European countries where English is presented as a subject and an acceptable level is achieved.