

Language Proficiency Assessment Policy

Instruction of the program “Concept Design Diploma Program” at NPC College of Arts and Design is mostly conducted in English. Students whose first language is not the language of instruction are required to undergo a Language Proficiency Assessment prior to enrolment in order to ensure they have the language abilities necessary to successfully complete the program of their choice. Language proficiency requirements are admission requirements and may not be waived by either the institution or the student.

The following are the English language proficiency levels required for admission to this program:

International students with English as their second language must demonstrate a good level of oral and written English. A telephone call, video conference (e.g., Skype or Zoom), or in-person interview with NPC Admissions is required to verify this.

Applicants who are unable to demonstrate appropriate English proficiency by these methods must take a supplementary Duolingo Administered English Language Test: <https://englishtest.duolingo.com/>.

Other options include providing a current (within 3 years) IELTS test score of 5.0 or higher, or a TOEFL test score of 70 or higher.

NPC reserves the right to request a Duolingo English Language Test result should there be any concern about a prospective student’s ability to be successful in the program based on their English proficiency.

Duolingo English Language Test results will be correlated to those of TOEFL and IELTS to determine pass/fail.

Procedure:

- A student applying for admission to a program must present transcripts and/or an exam score showing that they have met the admission requirements.
- The exam result documents must be original documents. Copies and scans are not acceptable. A direct digital notification of an exam score from the exam provider (such as ETS) is also acceptable.
- Transcripts must be original documents and must be submitted in an envelope with the issuing institution's seal.
- After receiving the appropriate documents or notification of score, the receptionist will inform the on-site Administrator or Principals of whether the student has met the English Proficiency requirement for their intended program and arrange a meeting with the student.
- The on-site Administrator will meet with the student, review the documents received and inform the student whether they can be admitted to their intended program and, if not, what must be improved or rectified regarding their English proficiency or proof thereof.
- If the English Proficiency Requirements have been met, and the applicant also meets other requirements of the program, such as portfolio requirement, then the on-site administrator or Principal will proceed with enrollment of the student as per the NPC College of Arts and Design Admission Policy.