# English Language Proficiency

English is the official language of instruction at SSH. All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency to be considered for admission to any program. English language proficiency is achieved by meeting one of the following criteria:

1. Successful completion of at least three years of formal, full-time study in English at a secondary school that meets one of the following requirements:
   a. Is in an exempt country; OR
   b. Is accredited to offer Canadian, American or British curricula; OR
2. Successful completion of at least two years of formal, full-time study in English at an accredited or recognized post-secondary institution in Canada; OR
3. Achieved a final grade of 80 per cent or better on the Saskatchewan English Language Arts 30 (or equivalent); OR
4. Achieved a grade of 5 or better on the International Baccalaureate (IB) Higher or Standard Level English A (Literature or Language and Literature) examination or a grade of 6 or better on the Higher Level English B examination; OR
5. Achieved a grade of 4 or better on the Advanced Placement (AP) English Literature and Composition or English Language and Composition examination; OR
6. Achieved a grade of "A" or "B" in GCSE-level, A/S-level or A-level English (non-ESL) in the General Certificate of Education (GCE)/General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) curriculum; OR
7. Successful completion of at least three years at a school in English that is an accredited member of the Council of International Schools (CIS), including completion of a senior academic English course (Saskatchewan 30 level or equivalent); OR
8. Successful completion of an approved English language test as follows:

| Acceptable English Language Tests | |
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| TOEFL iBT | 86 |
| TOEFL PBT | 560 |
| IELTS Academic | 6.5 |
| CAEL | 70 |
| MELAB | 85 |
| PTE | 60 |
| Cambridge English Language Assessment: Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) | 180 |
| Cambridge English Language Assessment: Cambridge English Proficiency (CPE) | 180 |

Normally, students will only be admissible if the English Language Proficiency requirement have been satisfied.  SSH has the authority to use discretion in exceptional circumstances.