**7070.10 English Proficiency**

In addition to meeting the regular admission requirements, an international applicant whose native language is other than English must submit official scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) before admission can be considered.

**Exceptions:** Neither the TOEFL nor IELTS is required of U.S. naturalized citizens or international applicants who have received a degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution. Documentation of citizenship status or proof of a U.S. degree must accompany the application.

The acceptable English proficiency scores for the TOEFL are at least a 610 (paper), 253 (computer, and 101 (internet) with a score of at least 25 in each area. To electronically send TOEFL scores to our office, please use the college’s TOEFL code number for master’s-level programs, 5251 and the college’s department code number, 02.

The acceptable English proficiency scores bands for the IELTS are 7 (Good User), 8 (Very Good User) and 9 (Expert User). Please send all IELTS scores to Georgia State University, J. Mack Robinson College of Business, Graduate Recruiting and Student Services, PO. Box 3988, Atlanta, GA 30302-3988.

Georgia State University also requires that all accepted international applicants whose native language is not English, including those exempt from the TOEFL or IELTS to demonstrate proficiency in English when they arrive on campus. This testing will be conducted during the International Student Orientation program, which is held each semester before classes begin. Orientation is mandatory. An accepted international applicant whose test results indicate a lack of proficiency in English will be required to enroll in and satisfactorily complete Business Communication 7255. If BCom 7255 is assigned it become a formal part of the international student’s degree requirements and must be given first priority in registering for courses.