GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY – Undergraduate Admission

Prior to admission to an undergraduate degree or certificate program, all applicants whose previous degree or diploma is not from an institution where English is the foundational language must provide evidence acceptable to the University of having attained sufficient mastery of the English language.

METHODS FOR DETERMINING MASTERY

- 1. Applicants must attain a minimum acceptable score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing Systems (IELTS) or have completed a minimum proficiency level of 112 through ELS Education Services Inc.'s Language Centers.
- 2. For the TOEFL, minimum acceptable scores for undergraduate level applicants are as follows (see TOEFL web site for explanation of scoring procedures):

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL APPLICANTS			
Type of TOEFL	PAPER	COMPUTER	INTERNET (iBT)
Exam			
Total Score	500	173	68
Reading	53	20	19
Writing	54	21	16
Listening	53	19	18
Speaking	-	-	15

- 3. For the IELTS, minimum acceptable score for undergraduate level applications is 6.0 (academic version). Academic programs may set higher standards.
- 4. The attainment of a minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL or IELTS or minimum ELS proficiency does not take the place of any special English language proficiency requirements for specific majors or university requirements as stated in the University Catalog.
- 5. Implementation and verification of the minimum competencies will be done by the Office of Admissions. This office has discretionary authority to determine exceptions where appropriate.