

Guideline concerning the Code of Conduct for International Students in Higher Education

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Background

Due to the measures of foreign local governments aimed at fighting the COVID-19 virus some language test centres are closed. Test centres are also sometimes closed or poorly accessible due to unsafe situations in a country. An example is the war in Ukraine. This raises the question for prospective international students how they can meet the obligation to take one of the accepted English language tests as included in the language table of the Code of Conduct. In order to answer this question, the National Commission and the umbrella organizations have drawn up a guideline in consultation with the ministry of Education, Culture and Science, the ministry of Justice and Security and the Immigration and Naturalisation Service. The guideline provides for a temporary expansion of the Code of Conduct and makes it under certain circumstances possible for prospective international students to take an online language test.

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In consultation with the aforementioned bodies, the National Commission and umbrella organizations have agreed to the following temporary expansion of the Code of Conduct:

If it is not possible to make use of the regular language tests as stated in the Code of Conduct because language test centers on location are closed or inaccessible due to unsafe situations in a country, prospective international students are allowed to use the TOEFL iBT Home Edition Test.

This expansion applies until the revision of the language table is completed. Information about this will be provided timely on the website of the Code of Conduct, as well via the umbrella organizations.

See the minimum scores in the table below:

For the admission to:	TOEFL iBT Home Edition
Education at bachelor's and master's level, or pre-master's	80
Preparatory education with a duration of 6 months or less	70
Preparatory education with a duration between 6 and 12 months	60

Information about the TOEFL Home Edition test is available via: [About the TOEFL Test \(For Score Users\) \(ets.org\)](https://ets.org)