

## ***Standardized Tests***

### **Graduate Record Examination (GRE)**

The Language Institute requires that students take the GRE General Test. Official GRE scores are those submitted directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS), or submitted by the student to Graduate Division, only if an official score cannot be sent from ETS. Tests should be taken early enough for results to be received prior to the application deadline. The Institute does not have a minimum score requirement.

Applicants must make arrangements to take the GRE directly with the Educational Testing Service, and should instruct ETS to report scores to UCSB; the institution code is 4835. A department code is not required. No GRE scores may be more than **5 years old at the time of application**.

To take the test, please visit [www.gre.org](http://www.gre.org) or [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org).

### **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS)**

UCSB does not admit students conditionally in order to learn English prior to beginning an academic program; an excellent command of written and spoken English is required prior to enrollment.

Applicants whose native language is not English are required to take the TOEFL or the IELTS. Exemptions or exceptions to this requirement will be considered for those students who have completed an undergraduate or graduate education at an institution whose primary language of instruction is English. Proof must be provided by sending the final/official transcripts associated with the degree posted. The transcripts must indicate that coursework was completed at the previous institution. Please contact the Institute Program Manager ([Link to language.institutes@summersessions.ucsb.edu](mailto:language.institutes@summersessions.ucsb.edu)) if there are any further questions. The minimum TOEFL score for consideration is 550 when taking the paper based test (PBT), 213 when taking the computer based test (CBT), and 80

when taking the internet based test (IBT). The minimum IELTS score for consideration is an Overall Band Score of 7 or higher.

Applicants choosing to take the TOEFL must make arrangements to take the TOEFL directly with the Educational Testing Service. ETS should be instructed to report scores to UCSB; the institution code is 4835. A department code is not required. TOEFL scores must be no more than two years old at the time of **application**. Visit [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org).

Applicants choosing to take the IELTS must make arrangements directly with the International English Language Testing System (link to <http://www.ielts.org/contactus/article292.aspx>). An institution code is not required to report the score results to UCSB. IELTS scores must be no more than **2 years old at the time of application**.