



MASTER OF SCIENCE PROGRAMS
EES, MHB, MPL, MPS
FACULTY OF BIOLOGY
LMU MUNICH



Proof of English Proficiency

All applicants must provide proof of English language proficiency at a level equivalent to at least **C1** as defined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), or an equivalent standard. The date of the certificate is irrelevant, even if it has already expired.

Accepted English proofs:

- International English Language Testing System (**IELTS**) with an overall band score of at least 7.0
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (**TOEFL**)
 - **TOEFL iBT** (test and Home Edition) with a total score of at least 5 (tests taken before 2026: 95)
 - **TOEFL essentials** with a total score of at least 10
- **Cambridge** Certificate in C1 Advanced English with a total score of at least 180
- Oxford Test of English Advanced (**OTE Advanced**) with a total score of at least 141
- Pearson Test of English Academic (**PTE Academic**) with a total score of at least 76
- **German Abitur** with explicit proof of at least B2+/C1 CEFR English proficiency (i.e. the certificate that you will upload in the online application form needs to explicitly state the CEFR level. Otherwise it will not be accepted)
- LMU language course "**Englisch für Biologinnen und Biologen**"
- English language courses offered by the LMU Language Center that provide proof of C1 CEFR proficiency

Applicants who completed at least six years of secondary education in an English-medium education system and obtained their secondary school-leaving qualification in English are exempt from submitting a separate English language certificate. These applicants must provide either their secondary school-leaving certificate and/or official documentation from their school confirming that their education was conducted in English.

Proof of English proficiency must be submitted together with the application. English language certificates cannot be submitted after the application deadline.

Not accepted English proofs:

A certificate confirming that the bachelor's degree was taught in English (**Medium of Instruction** certificate) is not sufficient and will not be accepted as proof of English proficiency.