

English Literature & Linguistics – International BA Admissions Requirements

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1 English Literature

1.1 Automatic admission: SAT/ACT

The international school can admit applicants to the BA program in English Literature only if they meet the following criteria:

- High school diploma from an English speaking country (US, Canada, UK, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand)
- SAT *or* ACT grades as specified below:
 - SAT 1200 or above, with EBRW of 650 or above
 - ACT with a combined score of 57 in English+Reading

For every applicant who does not meet the requirements for automatic admission, the decision will be made by the departmental undergraduate coordinator on the basis of one of the following 2 options.

1.2 Admission through the department: SAT + GPA + Statement of purpose

- SAT: Typical threshold 1100 or above, with EBRW of 600 or above; see comments in section 3 below
- High school diploma: Typical admission threshold equivalent to Israeli bagrut grade of 88 (US GPA 3.1); see comments in section 3 below
- Statement of purpose: A short statement (up to one page) telling us a little about yourself and why you want to study in the English Literature program.
- Students from a non-English-speaking country: International English test (TOEFL of 90+ or IELTS 6.5+)

1.3 Admission through the department: GPA + Statement of purpose

- High school diploma: Typical admission threshold equivalent to Israeli bagrut grade of 98 (US GPA 3.3); see comments in section 3 below

- Statement of purpose: A short statement (up to one page) telling us a little about yourself and why you want to study in the English Literature program.
- Students from a non-English-speaking country: International English test (TOEFL of 90+ or IELTS 6.5+)

2 Linguistics

2.1 Automatic admission: SAT/ACT

The international school can admit students to the BA program in Linguistics only if they meet the following criteria:

- High school diploma
- One of the following:
 - SAT 1250 or above, with a grade of 600 or higher in both ERW and Math
 - ACT with a composite score of 25 and at least 22 in ELA and 23 in STEM

For every applicant who does not meet the requirements for automatic admission, the decision will be made by the departmental undergraduate coordinator on the basis of one of the following 2 options.

2.2 Admission through the department: SAT + GPA

- SAT: Typical threshold 1100 or above, with EBRW of 600 or above; see comments in section 3 below
- High school diploma: Typical admission threshold equivalent to Israeli bagrut grade of 88 (US GPA 3.1); see comments in section 3 below
- Students from a non-English-speaking country: International English test (TOEFL of 90+ or IELTS 6.5+)

2.3 Admission through the department: GPA

- High school diploma: Typical admission threshold equivalent to Israeli bagrut grade of 98 (US GPA 3.3); see comments in section 3 below
- Students from a non-English-speaking country: International English test (TOEFL of 90+ or IELTS 6.5+)

3 Admission through the department: Comments

- The typical admission threshold is meant to screen out applicants whose grades are significantly below this threshold. In certain cases, applicants whose grades are slightly below the typical threshold might

be accepted, and applicants whose grades are above it might be rejected (e.g. if the high school GPA is based on grades in an exceptionally high number of irrelevant subjects).

- Israeli applicants whose grades are slightly below the threshold are invited by the department to take an internal test; international candidates present in Israel during the registration period may also be invited to take this test.