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Proficiency Advanced First	Proficiency Advanced

Students do not need a student visa and do not need to take a SELT (Secure English Language Test). They just need to meet the English language requirements of the institution they are applying to. Almost all UK universities accept *Cambridge English: Advanced* and *Proficiency* for undergraduate and postgraduate courses, and students can also use *Cambridge English: First* for foundation and pathway courses.

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Students may need to apply for a student visa, but for degree level study (e.g. undergraduate and postgraduate courses) they do not need to take a Secure English Language Test (SELT) test to study at a Tier 4 Sponsor university. These institutions can select the qualifications they accept as proof of English language ability for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. Almost all UK universities are Tier 4 Sponsors and accept *Cambridge English: Advanced* and *Proficiency*. Students should check with the institution directly.

For courses below degree level (e.g. foundation and pathway courses), students must take a SELT test to support their student visa application. *IELTS for UKVI* is included on the SELT list and is the test we recommend. It is the only SELT that can be taken outside the UK.

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