Applicants to degree courses must meet the English proficiency requirements in one of the following four categories:

#### Category 1 - English Language test

Applicants whose first language is not English need to demonstrate proficiency in English with an English Language test score, within the two years prior to the date of commencement at NIODA, as outlined in the table below.

	Postgraduate Masters MLM(OD)	
Academic IELTS	6.5 or better (with no individual band lower than 6.0)	
TOEFL	575 or better	
TOEFL IBT	91 or better	
TOEFL CBT	235 or better	
PTE	58 or better	
Cambridge English CAE and CPE (from 2015)	176 or better	
CTC General Certificate of Education (GCE)	A levels with C or better in English	

# Category 2 – Evidence of successful completion of secondary education in English (for postgraduate coursework)

Applicants who have successfully completed secondary education (equivalent to Australian Senior Certificate of Education) that was taught and assessed in English in one of the countries listed below where English is the first language:

Australia Republic of Ireland

Canada (except Quebec) Scotland South Africa

New Zealand United States of America

Northern Ireland Wales

### Category 3 – Evidence of successful completion of tertiary education in English (for postgraduate coursework and research)

Applicants who have successfully completed tertiary education (equivalent to AQF Level 5 or above for undergraduate and postgraduate coursework and equivalent AQF Level 8 or above for postgraduate research) that was taught and assessed in English in one of the countries listed below where the medium of instruction was in English\*:

Antigua and Barbuda	Falkland Islands	Nigeria
Australia	Fiji	Papua New Guinea
New Zealand	Gambia	Philippines
United States of America	Ghana	Samoa
Great Britain	Gibraltar	Seychelles
Canada	Grenada	Sierra Leone
South Africa	Guyana	Singapore
Republic of Ireland	Jamaica	Solomon Islands
American Samoa	Kenya	St Kitts and Nevis
Bahamas	Kiribati	St Lucia
Barbados	Liberia	Tanzania
Belize	Malawi	Trinidad & Tobago
Bermuda	Maldives	Uganda
Botswana	Mauritius	Vanuatu
Cameroon	Namibia	Zambia
Cook Islands	Nauru	Zimbabwe
Dominica		

<sup>\*</sup>Medium of Instruction in English is assessed against the Country Education Profiles on Australian Education International (AEI) or the National Academic Recognition Information Centre (NARIC UK). English Instruction will only be accepted if AEI or NARIC UK states that English is the language of instruction relevant to the country, education level or Institution.

## Category 4 – English Proficiency Assessment with evidence of work experience in an English-speaking environment (for postgraduate coursework)

Completion of Online English Proficiency assessment, with a required result of C1 or above as determined by the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR).

#### AND

Documentary evidence of at least two years full-time work experience in an English-speaking professional work environment in Australia, New Zealand, UK, USA, Republic of Ireland, South Africa or Canada within two years of admission into the NIODA program OR at least two years full time professional employment in an English speaking multi-national company, within two years of admission into the NIODA program. Applicants will be required to provide a letter from the employer stating their position title, duties undertaken, employment duration, level of spoken and written English. Relevant supporting documents from employers may also be requested by NIODA.