

India

Admission to a Post-Secondary Diploma or Post Graduate Certificate Program

Early Admission Criteria

The following criteria are the minimum requirements to be considered under the early admission process. If your grades or language proficiency scores are lower than the early admission criteria, please continue to the next section and review the admission requirements for competitive admission.

Post-Secondary Diploma/Certificate Programs

English Proficiency Requirements:

- TOEFL iBT (including Special Home Edition Test) – Minimum score of 85 with a minimum of 22 in writing and 22 in speaking, OR
- IELTS (including Indicator Test) - Minimum score of 6.0, with no individual band score under 6.0, OR
- CAEL score of 60 with no individual band score under 55, OR
- PTE - Overall score of 60 with no skill below 57, OR
- Duolingo – Overall score 115+ with no individual sub score below 100, OR
- Cambridge English Exams (B2 First/FCE, C1 Advanced/CAE or C2 Proficiency/CPE) – Minimum score of 169, with no skill below 162
- *Niagara College reserves the right to add and remove language proficiency tests at any time.

Academic Requirements:

Scanned original copy along and/or notarized English translated copies of the following:

- Proof of graduation from a secondary institution
- Proof of academic transcripts from a secondary institution

National Secondary School Board 10 +2 Diploma

- 10+2 English (60%)

- All required courses (50%) (Some state boards may be considered equivalent to the National Board) OR

State Secondary School Board Diploma

- 10+2 English (65%)
- All required courses (55%) OR

State Technical Education Board:

- 10 + 3 English (70%)
- All required courses (65%)

Other Requirements

Minimum grade requirements may vary for some programs. Subject to competition, applicants may be required to present averages/grades above the minimum.

Some programs may have additional requirements such as pre-admission testing, submission of a portfolio (cover letter, curriculum vitae (CV), professional reference letters). Please refer to the program website for details

Graduate Certificate Program

English Proficiency Requirements:

- TOEFL iBT (including Special Home Edition Test) – Minimum score of 85 with a minimum of 24 in writing and 24 in speaking, OR
- IELTS (including Indicator Test) - Minimum score of 6.5, with no individual band score under 6.0, OR
- CAEL score of 60 with no individual band score under 55, OR
- PTE - overall score of 64+ with no skill below 58, OR
- Duolingo – Overall score of 125+ with no individual sub score below 100, OR
- Cambridge English Exams (B2 First/FCE, C1 Advanced/CAE or C2 Proficiency/CPE) – Minimum score of 176, with no skill below 169
- *Niagara College reserves the right to add and remove language proficiency tests at any time.

Scanned original copy along with notarized English translated copies of the following:

- Proof of graduation of a post-secondary institution (Open University studies not accepted)
- Proof of academic transcripts from a post-secondary institution

Academic Requirements:

University Degree

- Grade Average of 50%
- All required courses 55%
- Maximum 5 Back Logs

**Note: in some cases, additional requirements may apply such as portfolios, auditions, resumes, cover letters or specific educational degrees. Please refer to the program page admission requirements for more details.

Competitive Admission Criteria

Applicants that qualify for Competitive Admission are evaluated and ranked after a program has closed. Based on an applicant's ranking, they may be admitted to an academic program based on program capacity. Ranked applicants are routinely reviewed as capacity becomes available for academic programs. Meeting the minimum Competitive Admission Criteria does not guarantee an offer to an academic program. To qualify for consideration under the Competitive Admission process, applicants must meet the minimum Competitive Admission Criteria below.

Post-Secondary Diploma/Certificate Programs

English Proficiency Requirements

- TOEFL iBT (including Special Home Edition Test) – Minimum score of 80 with a minimum of 20 in writing and 20 in speaking, OR
- IELTS (including Indicator Test) - Minimum score of 6.0, with no more than one individual band score at 5.5 and no individual band score under 5.5
- CAEL score of 60 with no individual band score under 50, OR
- PTE - Overall score of 58 with no skill under 53, OR
- Duolingo – Overall score 105+ with no individual sub score below 95, OR
- Cambridge English Exams (B2 First/FCE, C1 Advanced/CAE or C2 Proficiency/CPE) – Minimum score of 169 with no skill below 162.
- *Niagara College reserves the right to add and remove language proficiency tests at any time.

Academic Requirements

Scanned original copy along and/or notarized English translated copies of the following:

- Proof of graduation from a secondary institution
- Proof of academic transcripts from a secondary institution

National Secondary School Board 10 +2 Diploma

- 10+2 English (50%)
- All required courses (50%) (Some state boards may be considered equivalent to the National Board) OR

State Secondary School Board Diploma

- 10+2 English (55%)
- All required courses (55%) OR

State Technical Education Board:

- 10 + 3 English (65%)
- All required courses (60%)

Other Requirements

Minimum grade requirements may vary for some programs. Subject to competition, applicants may be required to present averages/grades above the minimum.

Some programs may have additional requirements such as pre-admission testing, submission of a portfolio (cover letter, curriculum vitae (CV), professional reference letters). Please refer to the program website for details

Graduate Certificate Program

English Proficiency Requirements:

- TOEFL iBT (including Special Home Edition Test) – Minimum score of 85 with a minimum of 22 in writing and 22 in speaking, OR

- IELTS (including Indicator Test) - Minimum score of 6.5, with no more than one individual band score at 5.5 and no individual band score under 5.5
- CAEL score of 60 with no individual band score under 50, OR
- PTE - overall score of 60 with no skill under 57, OR
- Duolingo – Overall score of 120+ with no individual sub score below 100, OR
- Cambridge English Exams (B2 First/FCE, C1 Advanced/CAE or C2 Proficiency/CPE) – Minimum score of 176 with no skill below 169
- *Niagara College reserves the right to add and remove language proficiency tests at any time.

Academic Requirements:

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- Proof of graduation of a post-secondary institution (Open University studies not accepted)
- Proof of academic transcripts from a post-secondary institution

University Degree

- Grade Average of 50%
- All required courses 50%
- Maximum 9 Back Logs

University degrees obtained through Open Learning are not accepted for admission purposes.

**Note: in some cases, additional requirements may apply such as portfolios, auditions, resumes, cover letters or specific educational degrees. Please refer to the program page admission requirements for more details.