



DREXEL UNIVERSITY

International Students and Scholars Services

Student Affairs

J-1 EXCHANGE VISITOR Certification of English Language Proficiency

This form should be completed by the **hosting department** of the J-1 Exchange Visitor.

The Department of State (DOS) requires J-1 Exchange Visitor to have “sufficient proficiency in the English language, as determined by an objective measurement of English language proficiency, to participate in his or her program and to function on a day-to-day basis.” Drexel University prefers to use TOEFL or IELTS scores to assess the English ability of the prospective J-1 Exchange Visitor to permit the undertaking of their related program. A passing test score for the TOEFL is a minimum combined score of **79**. An IELTS passing score is a combined minimum score of **6.5**. If no testing sites are available, candidates may request an assessment through the Drexel English Language Center (ELC) that includes an Oral Proficiency Interview. Other standardized language assessments may be accepted, with approval from the Drexel ELC and ISSS. Please contact elc@drexel.edu with questions.

Option 1: Test Type: _____ **-Date Taken:** ____/____/____ (mm/dd/yyyy) **Total Score:** _____

Option 2: ELC Oral Assessment Date Taken ____/____/____ (mm/dd/yyyy) **Rating:** _____

Evaluator: _____	_____	_____	____/____/____
Print Name	Signature	Title	Date(mm/dd/yyyy)
Comments:			

NOTE: To arrange the evaluation with ELC and find out more regarding the fees and process, contact ELC office directly at: http://www.drexel.edu/elc/resources/testing_services/. ELC will further coordinate the assessment directly with the exchange visitor.

The Certification of English Language Proficiency maybe waived in the following cases:

- The exchange visitor has previously completed a J-1 program successfully without any language issues.
- The exchange visitor is transferring to Drexel from another institution in the U.S.
- The exchange visitor has completed a degree at an English speaking institution.
- The exchange visitor is a native speaker of English.

The DOS’s related regulations to “objective measurement” of English language proficiency are published in the Code of Federal Regulations [22 CFR 62.11].

Exchange Visitor’s _____	_____	_____
Last NAME	First	Middle
X _____	_____	____/____/____
Drexel Supervisor’s Signature	Print Name	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
E-mail: _____	Telephone _____ - _____ - _____	